

Fall FIRST Lego Program

Shrewsbury Robotics will be running the Fall FIRST Lego Program again this fall. The program is open to Oak and Sherwood Middle School students only. We will start September 12th and will continue until the final competition for each team. We expect the teams to compete at the end of November or beginning of December. Those teams who earn a place at the District Championship will continue until that competition at the end of December.

FIRST Lego League is a competition program for middle school aged children. Working in small teams the students will build a robot using Lego NXT or EV3 bricks to complete challenges within a 2 1/2 minute match. Additionally they will select a topic for this year's challenge, Animal Allies. Full details of the challenge will be available August 30th, 2016. As a team they will work on both the robot and the project, all students will be involved in the presentation of the project at competition. There is also a judging component for FIRST's Core Values which are an integral part of FIRST's philosophy.

Meetings will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30pm-8:15pm, in the Oak Middle School cafeteria, students are expected to attend all meetings.

The cost of the program is \$160. Students will also need to pay the middle school Activity Fee directly to their school.

Due to the high demand for places in previous years places will be awarded by lottery. If you wish to be included in the lottery please signup using either the link below or by visiting our website. Signups will be open from August 12th, 2016 and remain open until September 4th, 2016. Successful applicants will be notified through email, make sure you sign up with a regularly used email. Payment information will be sent to the successful candidates with their offer.

Last year we had more signups than we could accommodate, we anticipate this will happen again. If you are unsuccessful in securing a place through the lottery and would like to run your own independent team, we will be holding an informational meeting September 8th at Oak Middle School. The purpose of this meeting will be to provide information on how to sign up and operate a team. Additionally this will provide an opportunity to meet other parents and students and hopefully find other team members.

The direct link for signups is

<https://shrewsburyrobotics.wufoo.com/forms/rgcp6vw0eq0exy/>

Startups will start August 12th, 2016.

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