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FIRST[®] Team 1741

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TEAM BUSINESS PLAN

1 MISSION AND VISION

We create leaders by giving students real world problems to solve, which gives them experience in more than just science and technology.

1.1 MISSION STATEMENT

FIRST® Team 1741, Red Alert Robotics, will operate in the spirit of *FIRST*® in our minds and actions. We will operate in *FIRST*®'s image with quality, safety, Gracious Professionalism®, and respect; inspiring future generations to incorporate the core values of *FIRST*® into their lives.

1.2 VISION STATEMENT

We create leaders by giving students real world problems to solve, which gives them experience in more than just science and technology.

Our Vision For 1741's Future

Us

Our students will learn engineering, business, as well as life skills and use them throughout their careers.

Our team, students, parents, and community will understand the bigger picture of *FIRST*®.

We will not be afraid to be ourselves.

We will train students in leadership, build, design, business, and digital media to prepare them for success.

We will be successful while also maintaining good character and Gracious $\mathsf{Professionalism}^{\texttt{®}}.$

We will continue to be inspired to be the best we can be as well provide positive role models to our Jr. FIRST LEGO LEAGUE, FIRST LEGO LEAGUE, and FIRST TECH CHALLENGE teams.

Outreach

We will inspire and encourage our community to take part in STEAM. We will help make STEAM more accessible to visually or hearing impaired students.

We will help rookie and developing teams on their way to success.

We will continue to provide guidance to teams in need of help.

We will sustain and lead while creating more ${\sf FIRST}^{\circledast}$ teams from Jr. ${\sf FIRST}$ LEGO LEAGUE to ${\sf FIRST}$ ROBOTICS COMPETITION.

Building

We will do our documentation while we are building our robot. We will have a functioning robot to work with the third week of build season.

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We will improve our communication and student leadership skills. **Competing**

We will win all of our matches for our alliance. We will be a prime example of Coopertition[®] and Gracious Professionalism[®] We will win our way to World and win an award there. We will win a blue banner for the robot. We will win on Einstein without a mentor even touching the robot. We will win the World Chairman's Award.

This Dream Wall was revised at a May 2014 meeting where nearly every student, mentor, and parent was present. Participants were asked to imagine they were in the same meeting in May 2015.

1.3 TEAM HISTORY

FIRST[®] Team 1741 Red Alert Robotics is located at Center Grove High School in Greenwood, Indiana, USA. For the past eleven years, since our team was founded in March of 2005, Red Alert has been led by a group of students, mentors, parents, and the Center Grove School Corporation, focused on spreading the mission of *FIRST*[®], "To inspire young people to be science and technology leaders, by engaging them in exciting mentor-based programs that build science, engineering and technology skills, that inspire innovation, and that foster well-rounded life capabilities including self-confidence, communication, and leadership."

In 2005, Center Grove School Corporation noticed a void in their school activities with regards to science and technology. Summer Ehresman, a computer education teacher, and two families, the Baxter's and the McCoy's, decided to form a FIRST[®] team to fill the vacancy. They were the founding mentors of Red Alert Robotics. Linda McCoy and Sharon Baxter established the Non-engineering side of Red Alert Robotics (NEngA), and were the founding members of the Red Alert Robotics Parent Organization (RARPO), a non-profit organization, formed in 2008, run by parents in order to sustain our team. Steve McCoy and Dwight Baxter founded the Engineering side of the team teaching student's life skills in science and technology. Over the years we have had a lack of consistency with corporate sponsors, teacher connections with our school, and growth of student members and mentors. In August 2012, Mark Snodgrass became our new teacher sponsor and head coach, being instrumental in enhancing team development as well as growth and raising more funds for our team. Starting in August 2015, Gregory Valenta, stepped up as our teacher sponsor. Additionally, the past few years we have



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1.4 BRANDING

To maintain FIRST[®] Team 1741 Red Alert Robotics visual identity, please keep to these branding standards. There are always exceptions to these standards, for example our 10^{th} year logo as picture on the bottom of each page.









Team Logo

The Red Alert logo is a very important part of our team's outward appearance. As such, it is of utmost importance that it be dis-played how it was intended to be displayed. That being said, the relations for how the logo should look in proportion to the gear are as follows: •The gear should be the same least

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The triangle should be approximately 0.685 times the size of the gear vertically. •The top row letters should be approximately 0.370 times the size of the gear vertically. •The bottom row letters should be approxi-mately 0.296 times the size of the gear verti-cally.

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Website Colors

To have our website have a consistent look we have a secondary color palette to compliment our team colors. We use the font Verdana for body paragraphs and





Team Colors and Branding The team logo for Red Alert Robotics uses the Dodger font, for both the team name and the team number. In the background, we use a gray and black triangle. Our team is very specific with the colors we use. Our palette consists of many shades of gray, white, red, and black. Our team logo also contains gradients, one for the triangle which is gray, and red gradient for the "Red Alert Robotics" text. All specific colors can be found in the palette with their respective HTML color code.

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Gear Logo Usage The gear version of the 1741 logo should be used when there is not enough horizontal space available for the full logo, or where a space available for the full logo, or where a square icon is required. The gear logo should always be shown with 1741 Red Alert Robotics' team numbers. The gear should always be used on a white or black background, and when a gradiant version of the gear is unavailable use a solid fill of color #B6BCC3 as seen to the left.

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1.5 QUICK FACTS

<<UPDATE>> Team Name FIRST® Team 1741 Red Alert Robotics Founding Year March 2005 2006 (build season) FIRST® Rookie Year **Current Team Students** 451 Number of Female Students 127 Percentage of Minority Students 11% **Team Mentors** 20 Mentors With No Child On The 14 Team Number of College Mentors 02 Number of Female Mentors 23 Major Corporate Sponsors Red Alert Robotics Parent Organization, Rolls Royce, Center Grove Education Foundation, Indiana Department of Education, Transformation Trust Inc., Praxair, Tech Point Youth Foundation, Stadium Graphics. School Corporation Center Grove High School Located in Greenwood, Indiana Team Colors Red, White, and Black Text over triangle, with team number Logo inside of a gear

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2006	The Revolver
2007	Mantis, IRI: Nessie
2008	Thaddeus
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2010	Scorpion and Kirby
2011	Sampson, Destroyer of Worlds, Minibot: He-man, Master of the Universe; Squeaky, Minibot: Pipsqueaky
2012	Swish and Mordecai
2013	Whisbee and Rizzler
2014	Jaws and Inertia
2015	A.N.D.Y (Awesomeness, Nobility, Determination, and Youthfulness) and The Claaaaaaw
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2 WHO WE ARE UPDATE << EDIT THIS SECTION TO REFLECT STUDENTS IDEAS>>

We are the robotics team for Center Grove High School, *FIRST*® Team 1741 Red Alert Robotics (http://www.redalert1741.org/), located in Greenwood, Indiana, a suburb of Indianapolis. We compete in an international robotics league with more than 4,000 other high-school-aged teams. *FIRST*® (www.firstinspires.org), For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology, has robotics leagues for Kindergarten-2nd grades: *FIRST*® Lego League Jr.; 3rd-8th grades: *FIRST*® Lego League; 7th-12th grades: *FIRST*® Tech Challenge; and our league of 9th-12th grades: *FIRST*® Robotics Competition. Each league is given a real world problem to solve requiring creativity, mathematics, science and technology, and a great deal of teamwork.

We have six weeks to design and build a 120 pound robot that competes in a game with and against other robots. This challenges us to accomplish tasks that relate to real world problems and involves Coopertition® and Gracious Professionalism®. Coopertition® is a mix between competition and cooperation and is put in place because we work with randomly selected alliances of three robots to play against another alliance in each match at tournaments. Gracious Professionalism® and Coopertition® embraces the spirit of *FIRST*® in competing against everyone, but working together for the greater good and being friendly and proficient.

We have a budget of \$69,755 annually and run like a business with an organizational chart and a Board of Directors. Students play important roles by not only designing and building a robot each season, but by creating the business plan, the web site, graphics, communications, safety plans as well as organizing outreach events and reaching out to sponsors. Funding and other resources come primarily from community sponsors, family, friends, and our school. We are incredibly fortunate to have a room in our high school dedicated to the team as well as having access to the high school's technology rooms and equipment which includes computers with CAD and animation software, as well as work rooms with equipment for construction.

We are a student lead team which means our Team operation requires students to develop collaboration, communication, and cooperation skills. Students must learn to work with each other, as well as mentors, who have very different skills to function at a maturity level well above that of the average high school student. Students must work and communicate with a maturity

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<u>level higher than that of an average high school student, as well as be flexible</u> <u>enough to accommodate to the diversities that both the mentors and students</u> <u>bring.</u> Our mentors guide and enable us to grow in our talents, knowledge, and leadership qualities.

We have set up our team to have leadership tiers. Each sub team captain has a non-senior co-captain learning what they do and how to do it. Once the captains depart the team, the co-captain can step up and know exactly how to run our team. This program was made so that the team's expertise does not leave with the seniors when they graduate.

2.1 SUSTAINABILITY WITH OUR STUDENTS

We are committed to building a better "us". Students gain transferrable skills in leadership, public speaking and business, designing and construction, along with self-discovery, self-esteem, and teamwork. We build our strength in these fields through unforgettable memories and experiences geared towards inspiring students to pursue STEAM fields.

During the off-season our team meets oncetwice a week. During these weekly meetings we hold training sessions for new students wanting to join the team, as well as regular meetings to perform outreach and to enhance our skills and teamwork. The training classes we teach include teamwork, Chairman's, scholarships, programming, electronics, scouting, CAD, leadership skills, machining, drivetrain, and safety. Before the build season begins we hold several design exercises to demonstrate the design process to our students in order to give them can an idea of what it takes to design a robot. During the design exercises, students must partner with other team members to design certain tasks such as a roller coaster, Jaquar box, a spaghetti tower, and a tshirt canon robot to design a robot for a previous year's game. Grades are extremely important to our team. In order to travel, a student on our team may not have an 'F' in any class and must have at least a 2.0 GPA. During the build season we do regular grade checks, checks; if a student is struggling in a class we offer tutoring_during the meeting. We partner with each other by offering a safe place to learn and offer help with homework assignments.

2.2 RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS <<REVIEW AND ENSURE THIS IS

FIRST® Team 1741, Red Alert Robotics, has a number of different ways to recruit members each year. Within this past year we FIRST[®] Red Alert Robotics

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haves hosted several open houses wheren we invited the whole community to come and see what Red Alert is all about. In addition to the open houses we also hold a community tech night at a local middle school to help educate the community about technology along with FIRST® Team 1741 Red Alert Robotics. In terms of recruiting directly from our school, we have a call out at the beginning of the school year to encourage new students to join our team. By participating in the high school's club fair-for- and ice cream social for freshmen at the beginning of the school year, we are able to encourage prospective students to join us at our call out meeting_new students_allow them to understand what we do on the robotics team. At our schools "Meet the Teacher" night, we give the parents of our school a greater understanding of whowho we are and flyers for our upcoming outreach events and call out meetings. Our team also has a close relationship with our FIRST LEGO LEAGUE teams. Not only are our students mentors and coaches for our six FIRST LEGO LEAGUE teams, but they join us at C.A.G.E Match, an off season competition, which demonstrates what it is to be on a FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION team. At the end of the school year, we invite our FIRST LEGO LEAGUE eighth graders to join our FIRST TECH CHALLENGE teams and participate throughout the summer. We have two FIRST TECH CHALLENGE teams combining eighth and ninth graders to fill the learning gap between FIRST LEGO LEAGUE and FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION. By working alongside our FIRST TECH CHALLENGE teams, we encourage the students to remain inspired by FIRST® while also illustrating the skills needed to be on a FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION team.

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2.3 ACTIVE STUDENTS

Name	Years in FIRST®	Name	Years in FIRST®	Name	Years in FIRST®
Carpenter, DJ	*	Newport, Max	4	Strange, Veronica	*
Crews, Nick	2	Osborne, Connor	7	Terrell, Grayson	3
Franco, Emma	2	Putman, Laura	2*	Thielmeyer, Aaron	3
Golder, Peter	1	Rasche, Grace	1	Tugan, Braden	*
Horne, Taylor	5	Rasche, Sarah	4	Tugan, Noah	6
Isanaka, Ahkil	5	Rayner, Aaron	1	Vaught, Caleb	7
Kekre, Juhi	4	Reeves, Marie	3	Vaught, Isaiah	3
King, Caleb	2	Roeder, Ben	6		
Kogut, Adam	7	Schmoll, Andrew	6		
Kogut, Ben	2	Schneider, Zach	2		
Lange, Talmage	1	Schnurpel, Madi	1		
Lee, Malaya	1	Scifres, Colin	5		
Lovrinic, Jacob	6	Shr, Katie	3		
Martinez, Alvaro	1	Simpson, Reis	2		
McDaniel, Zach	2	Snyder, Cory	6		
Miller, Andy	7	Sorrentino, Ciana	1		
Mock, Chris	3	St. Louis, Adam	2		
Montgomery, Logan	5	Staats, Michael	3		
Morrow, Sarah	3	Stevens, Nick	3		

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2.4 MANAGEMENT PLAN

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 - 2.4.1 TEAM STRUCTURE DIAGRAM

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2.4.2 EXPECTATION OF MEMBERS <<REVIEW FOR THOROUGHNESS AND ACCURACY>>

- If a mentor or student in leadership requests you to do something, you will comply with the best of your ability. If you feel a request is beyond the scope of your capability, you are encouraged to attempt the task then speak to the lead mentor or head coach immediately.
- If you see others who are not being safe, encourage them to stop working and in a positive manner, show them how to do it correctly. If you are not certain, ask the nearest mentor.
- Perform to the best of your abilities at all times.
- Have respect for yourself, all fellow students, and mentors.
- Have a willingness to learn new things.
- It is the responsibility of all students to teach and mentor younger or new students to foster continuation of FIRST[®] principles and enable younger students to take on responsibilities as upperclassmen graduate.
- Gracious Professionalism: As out lined by FIRST.

2.4.3 EXPECTATIONS OF MENTORS << REVIEW WITH MENTORS>>

- Demonstrate the highest level of integrity
- Listen
- Demonstrate exemplary conflict management skills

2.4.4 EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENT LEADERS << REVIEW WITH MENTORS>>

2.4.4.1 TEAM CAPTAIN

- Oversee and manage the team's year round program
- Oversee all outreach and team events
- Responsible for the team year-long calendar of events
- Act as a liaison between the Red Alert Robotics Parent Organization and the team members

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- Be a mentor and example to all other students
- Act as a 3rd party during a disagreement /difficult experience
- Make general decisions concerning the team
- Represent the team at all events
- Facilitate team discussions
- Lead weekly captains meetings

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- Lead weekly team meetings
- If absent, make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events.

2.4.4.2 ENGINEERING CAPTAIN

- Communicate with overall team captain progress and problems
- Oversee and manage the building of the competition robot
- Oversee all off season engineering/build projects
- Act as a liaison between the team captain and the engineering sub-teams
- Be a mentor and example to all other students
- Act as a 3rd party during a disagreement /difficult experience
- Make general decisions concerning the engineering sub-teams
- Coordinate robot demonstrations.
- Represent the team at all events
- Facilitate engineering team discussions
- Attend weekly leadership meetings
- If absent, make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events.

2.4.4.3 DESIGN CAPTAIN

- Communicate with overall team captain progress and problems
- Oversee and manage the design of the competition robot
- Ensure all CAD is complete for the competition robot
- Oversee all use of the 3D printer
- Oversee all off season design projects
- Be a mentor and example to all other students
- Act as a 3rd party during a disagreement /difficult experience
- Represent the team at all events
- Facilitate engineering team discussions
- Track weight and cost of the robot.
- Attend weekly leadership meetings
- If absent, make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events. Etc.

2.4.4.4 OPERATIONS CAPTAIN

- Communicate with overall team captain progress and problems
- Oversee and manage the non-engineering sub-teams
- Oversee all team outreach and events





- Act as a liaison between the team captain and the nonengineering sub-teams
- Be a mentor and example to all other students Act as a 3rd party during a disagreement /difficult experience
- Make general decisions concerning the non-engineering subteams
- Represent the team at all events
- Facilitate non-engineering team discussions
- Attend weekly leadership meetings
- If absent, make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events.

2.4.4.5 SAFETY CAPTAIN

- Ensure safe practices are followed in the shop and all events
- Oversee the safety animation submission
- Design/maintain the robot cart
- Design/maintain the pit layout
- Track any injuries on the team
- Maintain the FIRST[®] Aid Kits
- Attend weekly leadership meetings
- Be a mentor and example to all other students
- If absent, communicate with assistant to make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events.

2.4.4.6 DIGITAL MEDIA CAPTAIN << WORK WITH LEAD MENTOR AND COACH ON THIS ONE>>

- Communicate with the overall team captain about all progress and problems
- Oversee and manage the communications sub-team
- Send out weekly team newsletter
- Manage team social media accounts
- Maintain the team website
- Attend weekly leadership meetings
- Be a mentor and example to all other students
- If absent, communicate with assistant to make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events.

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2.4.4.7 STRATEGY CAPTAIN < WORK WITH LEAD MENTOR AND COACH ON THIS ONE>>

- Communicate with the overall team captain about all progress and problems
- Communicate with overall team captain progress and problems
- Oversee and manage the strategy sub-team
- Oversee all scouting activities Be a mentor and example to all other students
- Act as a 3rd party during a disagreement/difficult experience
- Make general decisions concerning the strategy sub-teams
- Represent the team at all events
- Facilitate strategy team discussions
- Attend weekly leadership meetings
- If absent, make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events.

2.4.4.8 Sub-team Captains

- Communicate with the engineering captain about all progress and problems
- Communicate with the digital media captain about all progress
- Lead their respective sub-team
- Oversee activities for which the sub-team is responsible
- Act as a liaison between the team captains and their sub-team
- Be a mentor and example to all other students
- Act as a 3rd party during a disagreement /difficult experience
- Make general decisions concerning their sub-team
- Attend weekly leadership meetings
- If absent, communicate with assistant to make certain leadership is present at all meetings and team events.

2.5 Resources

2.5.1 School

FIRST® Team 1741 is sustained with a developed partnership with our school. We help the school in any way we can since they are a major resource to us. Throughout the years, FIRST® Team 1741 has struggled with having room to work on our robot and store all of our tools. The school has assisted us by giving us a facility all to ourselves and allowing us to use the wood shop, machine lab, design room, and CAD lab. We also have access to a gym that is located in a separate building, but still on campus. In the past,





they have donated several computers to our team and for competitions they allow us to use school buses. They have also allowed us to have both a refrigerator and microwave in the room, which are used during the long build season days. Due to recent construction projects, FIRST® Team 1741 had to move out of our space last May and house our tools at the separate gym facility. Our school corporation has built the Innovation Center to provide 1741 with a permanent space and we are in the process of fully moving in.

2.5.2 Mentors

Our continued success is sustained primarily through our mentors. All of our mentors are community volunteers, except for our head mentor. Our strongest partnership is with our mentors. Our mentors are always there to encourage and empower us. They put in countless hours to push us to pursue excellence. Our dedication stems from the commitment they show us. Some of our mentors are people who came in for a day and were so inspired that they stayed on the team for years, even without having students on the team or a previous affiliation with *FIRST*®.

Name	Years in FIRST®	Name	Years in FIRST®
Baxter, Sharon	11	Miller, Jordan	9
Cardwell, Jon	5	Newport, Trent	1
Coulombe, Nathan	6	Osborne, Chris	4
Crider, David	4	Putman, Pat	2
Frampton, Patrick	11	Rose, Christopher	6
George, John	1	Schmoll, Bob	3
Hamilton, Bob	5	Settles, Tim	9
Horne, Mark	2	Thielmeyer, Rich	7
Ikegwuonu, Valentine	5	Valenta, Greg	1

2.5.2.1 Active Mentors



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Kring, Ethan	5	Meyer, Hugh	10	
2.5.3 Alumni <<upe< del=""></upe<>	ATE>>			Commented [A9]: Update 2015

100% of our students graduate from high school and go on to college or the military. 18% of our graduated students stayed involved with *FIRST*® as mentors or volunteers. We try to keep in touch with our alumni through social media. Most alumni are a part of the Red Alert Alumni Facebook Page and continue to keep a close relationship with their past team mates throughout college.

{ } around their name indicates that their information is unverified.

A * by their name indicates they stayed involved with *FIRST*® after graduation.

A ** by their name indicates they are currently involved with *FIRST*®.

2006

- {Nathan Dubbs IUPUI}
- {*Cory Foster Purdue University}
- *Kurt Mauer Engineering at Purdue University- Cincinnati

2007

- Emily Baumgartner Navy Electrical Engineer
- David Doane Video Game Design at Manchester College in England
- **Patrick Frampton Computer Science at IUPUI- Apperatis
- Autumn Holman Law at IUPUI- (Mills) Murphy USA
- Scott Pace Electrical Engineering at Purdue University
- **Betsy Smith-Baxter Special Education teacher

2008

- *Eric Andrews Media Arts and Science at IUPUI- Marriott
- **Charlie Baxter The Med Institute- West Lafayette
- *Aaron Clay Computer Science at Purdue University- Twitch Video streaming CA
- {Devin Dressler Farming Technician at Ivy Tech}
- {*Michael Foley Graphic Design at IUPUI}
- James Kramer Management Information Systems at Washington State University- Boeing

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*Mike McCoy -Mechanical Engineering at Purdue University-Impact Seattle

2009

{*James Dugan- Working at Allison Transmission and Engineering at Ivy Tech}

2010

- {Andrew Alderson Computer Science at IUPUI}
- {*Colin Ballast Computer Science at IUPUI}
- {Tim Barnett Music at Ball State- Graduated}
- {*David Foley Mechanical Engineering at IUPUI}
- Kelsey Hart -Civil Engineering at Purdue University- Microsoft
- Jeremiah Hansen Nursing at IUPUI
- Zack Hansen Construction Engineering at IUPUI
- Ben Hyatte Environmental Science at IUPUI-Menards
- Jacob Hyatte Chemistry at Purdue University- AMRI Global Research Scientist
- *Alyssa Inman-McCoy -Economics through Purdue University
- *Mike Kobierski Industrial Engineering at Purdue University
- Ryan Martin EMT
- *Matt Misner Informatics and Security at IUPUI- Amazon in Seattle
- {Colton Sprague Independent video game tester}
- **Trevor Settles Physics at Purdue University graduated
- *Levi Miller Electrical Engineering at Purdue University-Apple
- *Craig Roberts Electrical Engineering Technology at IUPUI-Dallora Indy Car Racing
- *Zach Stanley Electrical Engineering at Purdue University-Cummins

2011

- Robin Eid Electrical Engineering at IUPUI
- Alyx Kopie Painting at Herron School of Art at IUPUI- Tattoo Artist
- **Jordan Miller Media Arts and Science at IUPUI





- *Carly Morris Entomology at Purdue University
- Cynthia Rose Engineering at Purdue University- Co-op at NASA
- **Nick Roeder Engineering at Purdue University
- *Austin Settles Biology at Purdue University- Studying overseas
- Justin Sluka Computer Science at Purdue- Apparatus

2012

- **Rachel Daniel Technology Education at Indiana State University
- *Steven Himebrook Architecture at Ball State University
- Rushi Patel Electrical Engineering at Purdue University
- **Alden Ray Electrical Engineering at Purdue University

2013

- Darius Choksy Physics at University of Chicago
- **Rick Clark Chemical Engineering at Rose-Hulman
- *Josh Raker Computer Information Systems at IUPUI
- Ethan Kring employee at Walgreens

2014

- Brandi Butcher- Psychology at University of Indianapolis
- **Nathan Cardwell- Biomedical Engineering at IUPUI
- Torben Eid- Computer Engineering at IUPUI
- Jessica Kobierski- Psychology and Sociology at IUPFW
- Ryan Leser- Mechanical Engineering at IUPUI
- Dustin McKnight- Computer Science at IUPUI
- Mariah Smith- Materials Engineering at Purdue University
- Amy Tam- Industrial Design DAAP (Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning) School at University of Cincinnati

2015

- Hailey Rose- Accounting at IUPUI
- Travis Leser- Interdisciplinary Engineering at IUPUI
- Tyler Ray- Nuclear Engineering at Purdue University
- Sean Reeves- Computer Science at Vincennes University
- Tyler Hamaker- Technology Education at Ivy Tech
- Nathaniel Ziegler- unknown
- Justin Kiggins- unknown





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- Cameron Davis- employee at Target
- Joey Martz- Air Force

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Thomas Ramirez- Business Management at Purdue University

2.6	OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY <<	Commented [A11]: Update to newer outreach
10	Adopted a Military camp: Sent letters of appreciation & care	
	packages to the Military camp in Afghanistan.	
	Camp Atterbury: Toured the military camp and told them about FIRST	
68	Camp Can Do: Engaged children who have disabilities and demonstrated our robot	
68	Children's Museum Demo: Organized STEM activities and demonstrated our robot	
<u>89</u>	Conner Prairie- Mini Maker's Faire: Demonstrated our robot and	
68	Craft Fair: Brought our robot and merchandise to our school's craft	
8	FIRST® team mentoring: Establish and sustain local FIRST LEGO LEAGUE, FIRST TECH CHALLENGE, and FIRST ROBOTICS	
	COMPETITION teams	
	program that is affiliated with Girls Scouts of America that gives young girls the opportunity to become passionate about engineering	
(4)	Girl Scouts of America Partnership: Fundraising and Gold award	
66	Homecoming: Designed & built a float that represents school's theme and FIRST®	
68	Indy South FIRST LEGO LEAGUE Tournament: Hosted, organized,	
68	Indy South FIRST TECH CHALLENGE Tournament: Hosted,	
98	IT girls club and App club: a middle school club that encourages students to pursue STEAM	
68	Library Demos: Promoted literacy and technology through interactions with children, to inspire them	
	Pop tab donation: Donated 6 pounds of recycled pop tabs to a young girl in honor of her brother.	
54	Project Linus: Crafted blankets given to first responders to distribute to children involved in trauma	
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- Radical Robot Summer Camp: Organized and taught a five day summer camp for elementary kids Scouting at FIRST® Competitions: Working collaboratively with FIRST® community members to scout at regionals
- Robots at Restaurants: Demonstrated our robot and educated people about FIRST®
- Science Fair: An experience for pre-FIRST® aged children to learn about science and technology at local events
- Sponsor Presentations: Robot demos displaying the benefits from the company's financial contributions
- Barnes & Noble Mini-Maker's Fair: Demonstrated our robot and introduced STEM-based toys to younger children
- Vision Walk: Volunteered to assist with the event in honor of past, visually impaired, team members
- WFYI (NPR): Volunteer positions to assist with costume characters and interacted with the community
- Ray Skillman's Clothe the Children Campaign: wrapped gifts for 1000 children during the holidays

2.7 ANALYSIS AND STRATEGY

2.7.1 WWW/WNI REVIEW

This activity was performed in early October by the students in reflection on the 2015 Build and Competition seasons.

		What We Have Improved
What Went Well	What Needs Improvement	(Since Then)
Our team is becoming better	Organization & communication	
known in our community.	throughout the team & sub teams	Leadership Skills
		Organization &
		communication throughout
More efficient	Spirit for team and others	the team & subteams
Relationships with other		
teams	Training new people	Training new people
Listened to Judges and input		
from other people	Check that ideas are realistic	Check that ideas are realistic
Business Plan and robot	Be more prepared for pre-	
competition	competition scrimmages	Keeping things clean
We are role models to other		Have a better sense of game
teams	Feel more like a team	& robot design strategy
Innovation with the robot	Enforce Rules	Enforce Rules
		RARPO-Student & Parent
Scouting was more effective	Follow schedules and meet deadlines	involvement
Properly welded robot	Complete tasks before build season	Respect





	Decrease drama &/or deal with	Decrease drama &/or dealt
Recognized by many	drama better	with drama better
Many Judges present at one	Have a better sense of game and	
time in our pit area	robot design strategy	Improved CAD Database
Winning Engineering		
Inspiration at the Purdue		
District Event	Respect	More Fundraising for students
Qualifying for the World	Integration among members &	
Competition	mentors	
Improvement	More school involvement	
Team work	Leadership Skills	
Team Pride	Keeping up on the game rules	
Team Documentation	CAD Database	
Partnerships	Pit Crowd Control	
	Robot Cart	
	Keeping things clean	
	RARPO-Student & Parent	
	involvement	





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The SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) Analysis was performed with students in May of 2015. In this analysis, students perform a review of issues internal to the team.

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Threats
Large team	Including everyone	Personal recognition	Drama
Went to World Championship	Large team	State politics	Budget cuts
Outreach	Drama and working together	Working with a charity	Grades
Leadership	Lack of Precision	Partnerships	Lack of training safety
Safety at competitions	Too social	Charlie Kimball	Lack of money
RARPO	Pre-season training (including captains)	Win at World	Other teams
Passion	Limited to our space	STEAM Day	Sabotage
Team bonding	Time management (deadlines)	Become a leader with leadership training	Disgruntled students
EI award	Exclusive opportunities	Community fair, Art fair	Injuries
Helping other teams	Communication	Relationships	Loss of students
Team advocates	Document entire build process	Learning experiences	Attitude towards outreach (we do it for chairman's)
Established team	Same group of people at outreach	New types of outreach	Loss of workspace
Good sponsors	Clean up	Entire team collaboration	Loss of computer access
Scouting	No game strategy (start of build season)	CGTV	Loss of machine work
Motivated students	Staying committed	Win a Regional with robot	Overall mindset of winning
Public Speaking	Grades/academics	Speaking to NASA	Loss of sponsors
Wide array of talents	Public appearance	Knowledge of all subteams	Lack of respect
Great CAD	Accountability	MIC event with team 868	Not enough incoming students



Documentation	Organization	Relationships with other FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION Teams	Bad Weather	
Assistant Captains		3D animation		
Strength Not afraid of change	SWeaknessesIBalance betweenus and FIRST [⊕]	Opportunities Personal recognition	Threats Drama	
Good at Regionals	Drama	Scholarships	Budget cuts	
Outreach	Working together (sometimes)	Bringing back experienced mentors	Self-destructive behavior	
Delegation	Need machines	Partnerships	Lack of training, safety and understanding the student body	
Business pla	Knowing when we are crossing the line	Connections	Lack of money	
Administrati support	on Time management	Win at World	Other teams	
Great mento	rs No teacher contact	Gain experience	Sabotage	
Moving in a good directi	Lack of Precision	Become a leader	Disgruntled students	
FIRST [®] web	site No school support	Networking	Lack of rules	
Relationship	s Bad media	Internships	Injuries	
Get things d when we ha to	one ve Training	Relationships	Loss of students	
Team advoc	ates Limited to our space	Time to get better at what you do	Loss of parents	
Established team	No extra anything	Learning experiences	Loss of workspace	
Good sponse	Hack of participation	Go for World Chairman's	Loss of computer access	



Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Threats
Awesome	Team ownership	Learn about other	Loss of machine
Motivated	Mara NEngAs	Starting over	WOIK
students	More NENGAS	Starting over	Loss or mentors
Team spirit	Communication	Friendships	Loss of sponsors
2.7.3 PEST ANALY	YSIS		

The PEST (Politics, Economics, Social Issues, and Technology) Analysis was performed with students in October of 2014. In this analysis, students perform a review of issues external to the team.

Politics	Economics	Social Issues	Technology
	Non-engineering	We are not using	
	sponsors may be more	social networking to	
Kit Kat debate	recession-proof	its full potential	3D printing
Recognition in		Inappropriate	Using iPads for
school (CGTV)	Sponsor presentations	language and attitude	scouting
			Use social media
Other teams see			to its full
us, rumors	School funding	More team bonding	potential
Inviting gov.			Scouting
officials to events	Sponsor recognition	Team social events	strategy
	Budget cuts &	Start a trend in	Transferring data
	referenda adversely	clothing, buttons,	is easy over the
Technology grants	affecting us	fedoras	Internet
Tax law changes	Fewer Sponsors	Ice cream social	YouTube channel
Get to know the	Payment by students	More "cliques" this	Safety first
politicians	(good)	year	videos
Get to know school	Need to show why		
and district	FIRST [®] leads to more	Culture and	
administration	jobs through STEM	knowledge with team	Training videos
			Write
Understanding how	Getting funding from		smartphone
we fit into the	the state for all FIRST®		games or app,
politics system	teams in IN	MAKE IT LOUD	like scouting
Working with other		Reputation with	Uses of scouting
governments in US	Light Bulbs	teachers	data
			Use of tablets
			and
Getting involved	Parts and travel fees go	Socializing with other	smartphones for
with STUGO	up	teams	communication

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	Students recruiting more sponsors		
	Economics	Social Issues	Technology
Legislation for FIRST®	Non-engineering sponsors may be more recession-proof	We are not using social networking to its full potential	Scouting
Mandated funding	Michigan gets twice the competition for the same price	Being smart should be cool	New cRio is coming There are different types of aluminum available
Technology grants	School funding	Improve community technology	We are not using social networking to its full potential
Tax law changes	Put tariffs on imports	Internet could be good or bad cyber bullying	Using simulators
Get to know the politicians	Budget cuts & referenda adversely affecting us	Start a trend in clothing, buttons, fedoras	Transferring data is e asy over the Internet
Get to know school and district administration	Potentially fewer sponsors	I ce cream social	Get list of what tools we need
What to Do About It	Taxable donations may be gone soon	Cyber-bullying action plan	Refurbish mill
Understanding how we fit into the politics system	Need to show why FIRST[®] leads to more jobs through STEM	Team up with popular club/activity like cg dubstep	Write our own OS or programming language
Working with other governments in US	Getting funding from the state for all FIRST® team in IN	CG Robotics T-shirt	Write smartphone games or app, like scouting





Contacting possible future government member to get there support before they go into office	Partnering with Cummins for other team sponsorships	YouTube video	Partner with excelling tech companies for internships and in- kind donations
Getting involved with STUGO	Sponsor presentations	TV exposure	Partner with software and hardware companies







3 OUTCOMES AND GOALS <<<u>MAKE SURE THIS IS COMPLETE</u> AND ACCURATE>>

3.1 How we did in 2015

3.1.1 TOURNAMENTS

Indianapolis District, Indianapolis, Indiana, February 28- March 1 Purdue District, Lafayette, Indiana, March 19-21 Indiana District Championship, Indianapolis, Indiana, April 2-4 World Championship, St. Louis, Missouri, April 22-25 IRI (Indiana Robotics Invitational), July 17-18 C.A.G.E Match, October 17

3.1.2 AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT

- \circ $\;$ Judge's Award $\;$
 - Celebrates a team that keeps appearing for consideration for other awards and other judges who have commented on aspects of the team

PURDUE DISTRICT

- $\circ \quad \text{Engineering Inspiration} \\$
 - Celebrates outstanding success in advancing respect and appreciation for engineering within a team's school or organization and community

INDIANA DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP

- Gracious Professionalism
 - Celebrates outstanding demonstration of FIRST Core Values such as continuous Gracious Professionalism and working together both on and off the playing field.

IRI (INDIANA ROBOTICS INVITATIONAL)

This is an invitation-only off-season tournament we are proud to have participated in over the past 6 years. Teams from all over North America attend, including the teams that played on the Einstein field at the World Championship.

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C.A.G.E. Match

This is an off-season competition that takes place in October. We are proud to have attended since its founding year in 2008. We take advantage of this event to train new members on how a competition is run.

3.2 Opportunity Plan

FIRST® Team 1741 will achieve their goals by following these values:

PRIORITY	The top priority of the entire team is the development of student leaders
FOCUS	Keeping the focus of the team on learning as well as the inspiration of science, technology, and business, that will never be sacrificed for distractions such as winning
INVOLVEMENT	Striving to always involve the students and community in our projects
COMMUNITY	Teaching team members the importance of giving back to the community
MENTORING	Mentoring our middle and elementary school students as positive role models
ACHIEVEMENT	Promoting the significance of academic achievement at all times
PRIDE	Encouraging students to have pride in their school, community, and team

3.3 WHAT WE WANT TO DO THIS YEAR

3.3.1 EXTERNAL GOALS

- Giving definition to changing technology in the Center Grove School DistrictGive an opportunity for students to join and be involved in an alternative program that recognizes the importance and significance of technology
- Be recognized throughout our community
- Help other teams get sufficient funding to be sustainable

3.3.2 INTERNAL GOALS





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- Students do all designing and building
- Continue to win non-engineering awards
- Continue to win engineering awards
- Win a robotics district event
- Createing an environment where each student can find their strengths and are encouraged to excel
- Encourageging students to have pride in their school, community, and team.
- Inspire students to appreciate both sides of the team and establish equality
- Be better_recognized_by outside parties and perceived to be_just as important as athletics
- Improve our relationship with Project Lead the Way

3.4 IF WE SUCCEED IN THESE GOALS

3.4.1 WE WILL CHANGE OUR COMMUNITY BY:

- Bringing our community together in the same way our athletic teams do. We need to start in our school by making ourselves <u>well-known</u>a common subject.
- Giving our community an idea of what their future generation looks like by showing them what we are capable of
- Showing our community how impressive our high school is by showing them how capable and diverse our students are
- Becoming a symbol that the community can look up to
- Bringing needed technology skills to the community
- Encouraging others to pursue careers associated with STEAM

3.4.2 TO DO THIS WE MUST:

- Advertise our activities in the school and community by updating media sites more frequently and by having our tournaments streamed online
- Become viral through social media, such as our website, Facebook page, Twitter, and Instagram accounts
- E-Flash mob during school the Monday after Kick off
- Wear our team t_shirts to school
- Make team presentations to more teachers and potential sponsors

3.5 SHORT TERM PLANS << MUST BE COMPLETELY REWRITTEN INCLUDE

3.5.1 IN ONE YEAR

Update Equipment for both the Engineering and Non Engineering side Machining mentors to help design and produce parts





Incorporate classes - both during the off season and build season times

- Strengthen relationship between students and mentors
- Better communication with Red Alert Robotics Parent Organization; Students more involved in the meetings to know the financial aspect of the team
- Increase communication with school, local newspapers and TV stations
- Sustain the amount of girls on the engineering side

3.5.2 IN THREE YEARS

- Start an FIRST LEGO LEAGUE or Jr. FIRST LEGO LEAGUE team in every local elementary school
- Female engineering mentor
- Establish a robot camp at two local elementary schools

3.5.3 IN FIVE YEARS

- Four additional Major Corporate sponsors
- GEARS (Girls Engineering Awesome Robots Successfully) in our district elementary school
- Organize and run one Jr. FIRST LEGO LEAGUE event at a local school
- Have the majority of our cost supported by sponsors
- Establish 1 sustainable local High School FIRST® FIRST ROBOTICS
- COMPETITION team

3.5.4 IN TEN YEARS

- *FIRST*[®] robotics class as a part of High School Curriculum
- Create an FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION/FIRST TECH CHALLENGE team at every high school in our county





4 FINANCES

<u>In the past, the treasurer of Red Alert Robotics booster club has been solely responsible</u> <u>for drafting our budget. To improve sustainability and a student lead team,</u> the student captains participate in <u>official budget to create each year's budget</u>. In order to meet our goals in the future, the Team Captain now has the job of financial adviser and liaison between the team, mentors, and the booster club.

4.1 2014-2015 BUDGETED INCOME = \$45,285.00



4.2 2014-2015 BUDGETED EXPENSES = \$45,785.00



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4.2 2014-2015 FINANCE DETAIL <<KEEP THIS UP TO DATE>>

4.2.1 TOTAL INCOME = \$53,924

4.2.1.1 Sponsorships include

- Rolls-Royce
- Endress+Hauser
- <u>Dept. Workforce DevelopmentIndiana Department of Education</u>
- Stadium Graphics
- Crossroad Engineers
- Cook Medical
- Center Grove Education Foundation
- Tech Point Youth Foundation
- Indiana Realty Pros
- Dr. Michael Reeves, DDS
- Southside Pediatrics
- Anonymous Sponsor
- **4.2.1.2** STUDENT FEES= \$400 per student, with financial aid to those unable to pay
- 4.3.1.3 STUDENTS ALSO PAY A TRAVELING DUE TO OUR LARGE TEAM
- **4.3.1.4** FRIENDS & FAMILY INCLUDES DONATIONS TO THE TEAM ON BEHALF OF INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS

4.3.1.5 FUNDRAISING

- FIRST® Light Bulbs
- Script Gift Cards
- Concessions from Indy South FIRST LEGO LEAGUE Tournament
- Chocolate bars
- Popcorn
- T-shirts
- Coffee

4.3.2 TOTAL EXPENSES = \$57,190

4.3.2.1 ENTRY FEES

- District Registration
- Indiana District Championship
- World Championship
- IRI invitational
- CAGE Match





4.3.2.2 TRAVEL

- Hotels at Purdue & World Championship
- School Bus
- Charter bus rental
- Gasoline for trailer
- Team meals

4.3.2.3 BANQUET

- Food
- Mentor awards
- Sponsor awards
- Student awards
- Decorations

4.3.2.4 NON-ENGINEERING

- Spirit wear
- Office supplies
- Button supplies
- Wrist band
- Homecoming float
- Other expenses

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Registration

4.4 20141-20152 DETAILED FINANCES <<REVIEW AND UPDATE>>

4.4.1 INCOME

Item	Amount	Description	
Sponsors			
Rolls Royce	\$4,500	A yearly sponsorship from Rolls Royce	
Anonymous Sponsor	\$5,000		
Center Grove Education Foundation	\$2,000		
Southside Pediatrics	\$1,000		
Indiana Reality Pros, LLC	\$1,000		
Endress and Hauser	\$5,000	A yearly sponsorship from Endress and Hauser	
Crossroad Engineers	\$1,000		
Fundraising	\$3,255	FIRST LED light bulbs, dine to donates, candy, etc.	,



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Donations and Student Contributions	\$32,500	Through "Friends and Family Letters", we receive donations from community individuals, local businesses, and from people in eleven states.

TOTAL INCOME = \$53,924

4.4.2 EXPENSES

Item	Amount	Description	
IRI Registration Fee	\$750	Entrance Fee Required for IRI	
CAGE Match Registration Fee	\$250	Entrance Fee Required for CAGE Match	
District Registration	\$5,000	FIRST® [®] Registration Fee for 2 district events	
Team Travel Expenses:	¢4 000	Commuting to the Districts, team social, and hetal	
District Events	\$4,000	Commuting to the Districts, team social, and noter	
Regional Championship	\$4,000	FIRST® [®] Registration Fee for the IN District Regional Championship	
Team Travel Expenses:	¢300	Transportation and moal costs	
Regional Champtionship	\$300		
World Championship	\$5,000	FIRST [®] [®] Registration Fee for World Championship	
Team Travel Expenses:	\$16,025	Hotel and Charter bus cost for World Championship	
World Championship			
Robot Expenses	\$19,216	Cost of construction of the competition robot and spare parts.	
Game Field assembly	\$469.72		
Publicity Costs	\$2,459	Covers Banner, buttons, t-shirts, spirit wear, and the website.	
Community Outreach	\$1,729	Cost of running FIRST LEGO LEAGUE Competition, Library Demonstrations, homecoming and other outreach activities.	
Miscellaneous Yearly Costs	\$3,000	Cost of awards, team banquet and others	

TOTAL EXPENSES= \$62,198

Any surplus funds are put into the team savings account to be applied to the following year. If a shortfall should happen in funds, mentors and/or students may be asked to pay for their own meals, spirit wear, and/or other expenses.



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4.4 2015-2016 Budgeted Income = \$69,755



4.5 2015-2016 BUDGETED EXPENSES = \$69,755





4.6 2015-2016 Finance Detail <<keep this up to date>>

4.6.1 Total income = \$69,755

4.7.1.1 Sponsorships include

- Rolls-Royce
- Endress+Hauser
- Southside PediatricsDept. Workforce DevelopmentIndiana Department of
- Center Grove Education Foundation
- Cook Medical
- National Defense Education Program
- Indiana Realty Pros, LLC
- Dr. Michael Reeves, D.D.S
- MedExpress Urgent Care
- Crossroad Engineers, PC
- Anonymous sponsor
- **4.7.1.2** Student fees= \$500 per student, with financial aid to those unable to pay
- 4.7.1.3 STUDENTS ALSO PAY A TRAVELING FEE, BECAUSE OF OUR LARGE TEAM
- **4.1.1.4** Friends & Family includes donations to the team on behalf of individual students



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4.7.1.5 Fundraising

- FIRST® Light Bulbs
- Candy Bars
- Concessions from Indy South FIRST LEGO LEAGUE Tournament
- Mums
- Popcorn
- T-shirts
- Coffee

4.7.2 Total expenses = \$69,755

4.7.2.1 Entry fees

- Tippecanoe, Warren Central, and Perry Meridian District Events
- Indiana State Competition (If qualified)
- World Championship (If qualified)Second Regional during spring break
- IRI (If qualified)
- CAGE Match at Southport High School

4.7.2.2 Travel

- Hotels at Purdue, Kokomo, & St. Louis
- Bus rental
- Gas for the trailer
- Team meals

4.7.2.3

Banquet

- Food
- Mentor/sponsor awards
- Student awards
- Decorations

4.7.2.4 Non-engineering

- Spirit wear
- Office supplies
- Homecoming float
- Media
- Outreach
- Other expenses

4.7.2.5 Trailer

Registration

4.8 20151-20162 DETAILED FINANCES <<REVIEW AND UPDATE>>



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4.8.1 BUDGETED INCOME

Item	Amount
Sponsors	
Rolls Royce	\$5,000
Endress and Hauser	\$5,000
Anonymous Sponsor	\$5,000
Center Grove Education Foundation	\$2,000
Cook Medical	\$2,500
Indiana Reality Pros, LLC	\$2,500
Southside Pediatrics	\$1,000
Dr. Michael Reeves D.D.S	\$1,000
MedExpress Urgent Care	\$1,000
CrossRoad Engineers	\$5,000
Beth Breuninger	\$500
Ted and Audrey Stehle	\$500
Fundraising	
Student Contributions	\$24,000
Travel Fees	\$7,500
FIRST® Light Bulbs Sales	\$1,300
Center Grove Fair	\$2,000
Candy Bar Sales	\$1,330
Other	\$2,000

TOTAL BUDGETED INCOME = \$57,190





4.8.2 Budgeted Expenses

Item Amount IRI Registration Fee \$800 CAGE Match Registration Fee \$250 District Entry Fees \$5,000 Indiana State Championship Fee \$4,000 World Championship Entry Fee \$5,000 District Event Competitions Registration (2) \$5,000 Travel to Purdue* \$3,300 Additional District Event Registration \$1,000 Travel to World Championship \$11,850 Miscellaneous travel \$500 \$15,000 Robot Parts Shop Permanent \$4,000 Shop Consumable \$500 Game Field \$1,000 Team Banquet \$3,220 Outreach \$1,000

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TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES = \$69,755

Any surplus funds are put into the team savings account to be applied to the following year. If a shortfall should happen in funds, mentors and/or students may be asked to pay for their own meals, travel fees, and/or room fees.

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5 5 EXECUTION UPDATE << Revise entire section to ENSURE IT REFLECTS THIS YEAR'S THEME OF SUSTAINABILITY>>

5.1 EXECUTION OF THE 20162 BUILD SEASON

See Build Season Gantt chart at Appendix A << being created by Darius and Ricky>>

5.2 TEAM SUSTAINABILITY

5.2.1 SUSTAINABILITY

FIRST® Team 1741 <u>workworks to maintain *FIRST*®'s presence in our</u> community. We organize events open to the public to enoucrageencourage knowledge of science and technology. In addition, we are working with our school system to give younger students the opportunity to join *FIRST*® earlier. This acts as a funnel encouraging them to participate in *FIRST*® throughout their school career and leads them into our team.

5.2.2 IMPORTANCE OF SUSTAINABILITY

FIRST® Team 1741 knows that partnerships aresustainability is what makes *FIRST*® such a success. *FIRST*® is about innovation, inspiration, teamwork, Gracious Professionalism®, Coopertition®, and passion; we believe these are the essential roots of a partnershipsustainability. These roots help to fuel our drive and dedication in the *FIRST*® program. With our partnershipssustainability, we strive to plant a seed of *FIRST*® in the hearts of every individual we come in contact with and to nurture the growth of *FIRST*®.creates partnerships because we believe in the power of *FIRST*®. Our partnerships create positive impacts on the future of our students, our team, our community, and the world. *FIRST*® allows us to grow as individuals and as a team through transferrable skills, hands on experiences, and self-discovery. We work closely with our mentors to obtain a greater knowledge about STEM, gracious professionalism, coopertition, teamwork, our community, and ultimately ourselves.

5.2.3 SUSTAINABILITY WITH FIRST®

FIRST® Team 1741 believes the best way to create a partnership-sustainability is to help facilitate younger teams. Within the past few years, we have <u>started new</u> teams for younger students and tried to foster a love and interest in science and technology. We have done this through FIRST LEGO LEAGUE_teams, FIRST TECH CHALLENGE_team, and our GEARS program. Since we reach these children at a young age, we hope to instill in them a love of *FIRST*® so that they continue to participate in it through high school. As of this year, we have helped start six FIRST LEGO LEAGUE teams and four FIRST TECH CHALLENGE teams. In case we lose a major sponsor, we have cGreated a list of fundraisers we could do-in case we lose a major sponsor. We are working on building up our school support to make sure we always have sponsors and the ability to travel. partnered with a local high school to help start FIRST® Team

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3180. To start them out, we invited them to a local off season competition and loaned them a robot to learn the ropes. After that experience, they were hooked. They are now an up and coming team that has become involved in hosting off-season events of their own!

We have built a strong partnership with many local teams in addition to *FIRST*® Team 3180. Every year we deliver a care package to Team 3180 and 4926. For the last few years, we have supported Team 1529 in setting up their local off season competition C.A.G.E. Match. Last year we shared a bus with team 5188 to the World Championship in order to enable them to participate. Each year they weld our robot frame and we return the favor by providing parts and breakfast. We also strive collaborate to assist other teams to the best of our ability, in order to enable their make everyone's Chairman's, scouting, robot, and Business Plan to bes successful the <u>best they can bel</u>

FIRST® Team 1741 is interested in expanding all levels of *FIRST*®. We have started two FIRST TECH CHALLENGE teams of 8th and 9th graders to work alongside our team. The 9th graders are a part of both teams, allowing them to increase their knowledge of *FIRST*® and spread Gracious Professionalism®. We are proud to say that we have started and facilitated many FIRST LEGO LEAGUE teams over the past several years. *FIRST*® Team 1741 hosts the Indy South Tournament - the only official FIRST LEGO LEAGUE event in central Indiana and the only event sponsored and run by an FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION team. This past

We have a 100% high school graduation rate and 100% attend college or join the military. 18% of our graduates currently continue on in *FIRST*® as mentors or volunteers. This shows These statistics show what an impact *FIRST*® has had on students' lives of our students.

5.2.4 << give all of our media exposure, including hyperlinks>>

SUSTAINABILITY WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

FIRST® Team 1741 partners with our community. We host and participate in events that positively impact our community while allowing our students to step up as leaders and engage in high-level planning. To catch the attention of young children at our events, we hold mini-science fairs <u>that encourage creativity and science/technology</u>. We section off areas dedicated to young children and include student-created lesson plans such as "Fun with Physics." We hold our science fairs at various public events across our state. At our summer camp, Radical Robots, kids were able to build NXT robots & engage in STEM experiments. Red Alert also participates in Project Linus where our team parents, students, and our school's other clubs come together to craft blankets for children in need.



We have created several partnerships within our community. Strange Brew, a local coffee shop, allowed us to create a coffee blend, Robot Rampage, which they sell. Not Just Popcorn, a local gourmet popcorn shop, created popcorn named Red Alert Velvet and allow us to sell the Red Alert Velvet as a fundraiser for our team. These partnerships enable us to spread the name of the businesses while promoting FIRST[®] and sustaining our team.

FIRST® Team 1741 supports our military. We visited an Air Force base to learn about military technology and visited a veterans' hospital to thank them for their service and learn about prosthetics. We showed them our technology and they showed us theirs!!

One of our most successful events each year is our *FIRST*® Community Tech Night. This is a student led event that attracts over 100 people. We focus on creating better cyber-citizens and increasing digital literacy within our community. We offerIn previous years, we have offered different classes including internet safety, video game safety, anti-cyber bullying—that included a visit from the Greenwood Chief of Police— E-mail, Microsoft Word, and classes for technology used within the school corporation. Most classes are taught by *FIRST*® Team 1741 students and district middle school teachers. Classes offered for young children included "Silly Science" and "Marble Coaster eXtreme" classes. With this event we reach people of all ages and spread the knowledge of STEM and FIRST® throughout our community.

To sustain our team we participated in the Community Fair located at a local mechanics shop. At this event we demonstrated our robot along with other aspects of our team. We were able to spread the name of FIRST[®] and Red Alert throughout our community. We also spread our name and love of STEAM by visiting Riley's children hospital. At this event we showed the children how technology is used outside of their hospital room. Along with Riley we visited two Camp Ability sites and one Camp Can-Do site, which are both camps for disabled children during the summer. Red Alert demonstrated our robot and conducted a silly science fair with the children. $\frac{1}{2}$

FIRST® Team 1741 tours the state with our own traveling exhibit called, "Amazing Robots." We visit libraries and perform demonstrations while spreading the word of *FIRST*®. In conjunction with our library demonstrations we have started a literacy program called "Read Alert" where we boost literacy skills with technology-related literature.

5.2.5 DEVELOPING SUSTAINABILITY WITHIN OUR TEAM

We are determined to build a better <u>"us"team</u>. <u>We strive to do our best in all</u> <u>areas and aspects of FIRST®</u>. Students gain transferrable skills in leadership, public speaking, business, and teamwork. We pride ourselves in the strenuous processes of high-level planning and decision-making of our team. Each student must show their commitment and willingness to make decisions for the good of the team and work in

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harmony with each other. We build our strength in these fields through unforgettable memories and experiences geared towards inspiring students to pursue STEAM fields.

Before build season begins, we focus on improving the skills of our students. We offer training sessions in areas including teamwork, Chairman's, scholarships, programming, electronics, scouting, CAD, leadership skills, machining, drivetrain, and safety. Before the build season begins we hold several design exercises to demonstrate the design process to our students in order to give them an idea of what it takes to design a robot. During the design exercises, students must partner with other team members to design certain tasks such as a roller coaster, Jaguar box, a spaghetti tower, and a t-shirt canon robot. In addition to our other expectations, grades are very important to our team in order to emphasize that school is the first priority. During the build season, our mentors monitor grades to ensure students are succeeding in their classes. offer tutoring and a safe, quiet place to learn for help with homework assignments.

5.2.6 DEVELOPING SUSTAINABILITY WITH OTHERS

Our strongest partnership is with our mentors. Even though we are a student lead team, our mentors are always there to guide us every step of the way and put in immeasurable volunteer hours to see us succeed. From this commitment we learn what it is to be dedicated. Our mentors are people who continuously inspire us with science and technology and encourage us to keep going. Most of our mentors do not have a student on the team and never have had a student on the team. This shows that we have inspired them just as much as they have inspired us in the ideals that FIRST® has created.

Without a partnership with sponsors, our team could not function. Their ability to extend their knowledge and resources keeps us running and gives us a glimpse of our future through donations, summer internships, and jobs. We try to give back to our sponsors by updating them on our success throughout the year by giving presentations and inviting them to our competitions.

To help our local and extended community we serve Pack Away Hunger, which is a non-profit organization whose mission is to improve the lives of children and others who suffer from hunger and malnutrition in the United States and developing nations. We stuffed letters and cleaned some of their equipment after a packing event. This year we also funded a packing event through this organization and the meals we packed were sent to Africa to aid with the Ebola crisis. Red Alert wants to have a lasting impact on our local and extended communities and by volunteering at Pack Away Hunger we are able to achieve this goal.

During the Christmas season our team partners with a worldwide organization, Operation Christmas Child, to help pack care packages. We helped pack 1300+ boxes to be shipped across the world. *FIRST*® Team 1741 also partnered with a local Girl





Scout troop for fundraising. We helped another Girl Scout create GEARS, a mini robotics and science club (Girls Engineering Awesome Robots Successfully), for her Gold Award. GEARS reaches out to girls in grades 3rd through 5th inspiring them to become involved with science and technology and feed them into our FIRST LEGO LEAGUE teams.

5.2.7 SUSTAINABILITY WITH OUR SCHOOL

FIRST® Team 1741 has developed a partnershipsustainability within our school through partnerships.<u>Through our partnership with our school's football team, we were able to help a Our partnerships within our school help us continue our sustainability due to their commitment to help us with necessary assistance. player with low vision raise money for the Vision Walk — which we have been involved in helping run for the last three years. We also partnered with the school's basketball team to learn different skills for this year's game, Rebound Rumble. Our team is the only school extra-curricular activity to build a float for to participate in the homecoming parade, and we are hoping to continue that throughout the years to come. Each year we have a design that coincides with the homecoming theme and the message of FIRST®.</u>

Partnering with the school curriculum, during the off season, our team was given a reading and discussion assignment by the school, to increase students' critical literacy skills. Every student read The New Cool and then discussed it in small groups. This allowed students to gain a greater knowledge of what a FIRST® team is all about.

Our team is strongly involved in other areas of the school curriculum as well, which will hopefully be carried out in the future. Our robot starred in a pneumatics lesson and we are working with the science department to create a lesson on prosthetics. We are also heavily Many of our students are involved in our school's Project Lead the Way classes.

-Our robot even made an appearance in the Drama Club's fashion show!



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2015:	Judgo's Award Lawropco North District	
	Engineering Inspiration Award- Boilermaker District	
	Gracious Professionalism Award- IN District Regional Championship	
2014:		
	Creativity Award – Boilermaker Regional	
	Regional Finalists – Chesapeake Bay Regional	
	Entrepreneurship Award – Chesapeake Bay Regional	
	Gracious Professionalism Award – Chesapeake Bay Regional	
	Industrial Safety Award – Chesapeake Bay Regional	
	Winners – Indiana State Championship	
	Winners – CAGE Match	
2013:		
	Entrepreneurship Award - Crossroads Regional	
	FIRST® Dean's List Finalist – Boilermaker Regional	
	Regional Chairman's Award – Boilermaker Regional	
	Innovation in Controls Award – Boilermaker Regional	
2012:		
	Entrepreneurship Award—Boilermaker Regional	
	Engineering Inspiration Award—Queen City Regional	
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	Regional Chairman's Award – Boilermaker Regional	
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	Gracious Professionalism Award sponsored by Johnson and Johnson	
	Regional Finalist – North Carolina Regional	
	Most Charitable Donations - CAGE Match	
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7 RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN

7.1 RISK MATRIX

Near certainty	5	10	15	20	25
Highly likely	4	8	12	16	20
Likely	3	6	9	12	15
Low likelihood	2	4	6	8	10
Probable	1	2	3	4	5
	Minimal	Minor	Major	Serious	Catastrophe

7.2 POSSIBLE RISKS

7.2.1 <<Completely revise entire section reflecting work performed by students in risk management meeting. There are several risks for which no number was assigned—assign a number.!! and then create a plan for each. Remember we Mitigate, Respond, and Recover for disasters, but for risk we mitigate, avoid, or accept.>>

IN CASE OF LOSS OF INNOVATION CENTER

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

- We may have to move out of the Innovation Center. We have arranged a worst-case-scenario with parents who own barns. They may offer this as an option to us, should this happen.
- If barns or similar facilities are not available, the team may need to rent a space to use.
- We currently have 1/3 of the Innovation Center and 3 classrooms at the high school allotted for our use and should we move off-site, this space





could be reduced and we would no longer have use of the school's equipment (i.e. lathe, mill, band saw, et al.)

How we would handle this, should it arise:

- The engineering side of the team may need to meet separately from the non-engineering side of the team, in order to save space.
- We would need to reassess our budget to allow for purchasing of rental space or needed resources, such as tools.
- Market our team to other facilities, for example, Local Central 9 Career Center, in hopes of seeking alternative permanent meeting space; also continue contact with Center Grove in hopes of earning our meeting space back.

7.2.2 IN CASE WE LOSE KEY SPONSORS

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

- With fewer sponsor dollars to use, our team has had to adjust our budget. We would likely continue to spend less in all areas such as build cost, promotions, and outreach funding.
- If severe enough, the team may need to increase the cost of team membership to students, likely having them pay more to participate in the team, pay to travel, or pay their own hotel expenses.
- Mentors may also see a cost increase, possibly having to pay their own travel and hotel arrangements.
- As a team we may need to find alternate hotel arrangements. One year we stayed in West Lafayette Jr/Sr. High School, home of *FIRST*® Team 461, for the Boilermaker Regional.
- As a team we may need to find alternate travel arrangements. As a team, we traveled to the Smoky Mountain Regional on a bus with *FIRST*® Team 1747.
- If funds run low enough, we may attend fewer competitions, or possibly only one.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

- The team would need to do more fundraising and begin it earlier not starting at the start of the school year, but possibly at the end of the previous year's competition season.
- Our team would need to market ourselves to attract new sponsors and to work towards a greater relationship with current sponsors.
- Start a team "Emergency Fund" which contains exactly enough money for a build expenses and one competition expense for the following year.

7.2.3 IN CASE OUR PARENT ORGANIZATION EMBEZZLES OUR FUNDING

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:



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- First we would need to alert the proper authorities that this issue had arisen.
- The resulting loss of funds would have a similar effect as the Loss of Key Sponsors.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

- Our team would need to create new bank accounts for all of our funds.
- Anyone who has access to *FIRST*® Team 1741's funding would need to be bonded and ensured to handle our money.
- We would work to generate new funds through fundraising and finding new sponsors.
- We would work harder to apply for grants to fill in the missing funding.

7.2.4 IN CASE OUR TEAM LOSES ACCESS TO SCHOOL COMPUTERS

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

- Students would have to bring in their own personal computers to complete team work, work at home, or use the few laptops that the team owns.
- Students would no longer have access to the six years' worth of team data the team has saved for use.
- Students could possibly lose access to the Robotics Team networked hard-drive which is accessible from all school computers.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

- The team would need to pay for and install needed programs on team laptops and possibly personal laptops for team use.
- The team may need to budget for additional laptops for the future, depending on the need.
- We may need to find alternative hosting for the Robotics Team networked drive and possibly the team website

7.2.5 IN CASE WE LOSE OUR SCHOOL LIAISON

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

- With the support of our school's administration, the team can sustain without a school liaison as long as we work to inform this administrator, i.e. a Vice Principal such as Mr. Betts, of our team's activities.
- With the loss of this liaison, we would lose access to needed student information such as grades, attendance, and even locker numbers
- Without a school liaison it is often difficult to arrange for team traveling and team events within the school.

How we would handle this, should it arise:



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- The school approves a mentor to be the sponsor and grants that mentor a key to access the building.
- The team would appoint a mentor to accept team mail.
- The team would work to document activities with the school.
- The team must work to recruit a new liaison.

7.2.6 IN CASE OF SNOW AND/OR ICE STORM

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

• Every day the school is closed, we are not permitted to meet. This shortens the amount of time we have to design and build the robot during build season.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

- We have a schedule tailored for each build season that maps out deadlines. Within this schedule, we have extra days implemented as buffers in case we should fall behind due to unsafe weather.
- If we should run out of buffer days, we will arrange several various strategies to continue progress.
 - If school is cancelled early on into Build Season, during the brainstorming and design process, the Engineering captain and sub-team captains shall arrange to communicate and continue progress through the technology available to us.
 - If school is cancelled during the later stages of Build Season, the Engineering captain and sub-team captains shall arrange to meet at an off-site work site to continue progress.
 - If school is cancelled, the Operations captain will arrange communication with their team and continue progress through the technology available to us.

7.2.7 IN CASE OF AN EPIDEMIC

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

- Because we work together daily and still attend school, there are many possible times where a team member could come into contact with the flu or another virus and can distribute the virus throughout the team before becoming sick themselves. This could cause many students among our team to fall sick during the crucial points in build season.
- Without the majority of our students, we would fall behind schedule and could possibly not finish by bag day.

How we would handle this, should it arise:



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- If it should spread enough to affect the schedule, we would use our buffer days to catch up and/or increase the meeting times to make up the lack of workforce.
- We encourage our students to wash their hands frequently during the Flu season and practice the proper coughing technique. Also, if they are feeling unwell the student may choose to stay home as to not spread the virus. If an epidemic should break out among our team we would send home students that were affected and try to conduct business as usual.

7.2.8 IN CASE OF TORNADO

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

• In the past, the damage caused by tornados that would affect our team is road damage or blockage. The road blockage would be cleared within a day or two allowing us to continue to meet.

HOW WE WOULD HANDLE THIS, SHOULD IT ARISE:

- Our team practices tornado drills in case we were in the building when one struck.
- If a tornado would create road blockage or damage, we would find alternative routes to the school and if that was not possible then rearrange the schedule and use a buffer day. If we were out of buffer days then we would increase the length of team meetings to make up for lost time.

7.2.9 IN CASE OF FLOOD

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THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

• In the event of a flood in our facility, not only would we not be able to enter the building, there would be a chance of damage to our team documents, machines, tools, and computers.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

In case of damage, there are certain items of ours that are insured by the school. We would fundraise to replace anything else.

7.2.10 IN CASE OF STUDENT LEADERSHIP INCAPACITATION

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

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• There would be little to no impact on our team in case this should happen. We have set up our team with a leadership system where each captain has a sub-captain that can take over in case of emergency.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

• We have an aforementioned system of captains so our team is always prepared for this situation.

7.2.11 IN CASE OF SEVERE INJURY

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

• Depending on the severity of the injury, the school district could take away machines and even our team.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

- In case equipment is taken from us, we would work with private <u>companies to machine our parts.</u>
- In case the school discontinues our team, we would relocate the team.

7.2.12 IN CASE OF LOSS OF KEY MENTOR(S)

THE EFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON OUR TEAM:

- Each mentor has certain roles they perform, without those tasks being accomplished, our team would fall behind.
- ____If we were to lose our teacher sponsor, our team would not have a connection to our school.

How we would handle this, should it arise:

- The captains will have to identify the mentor's roles and divide them amongst themselves.
- We would have to work with the administration on finding a new connection to the school.

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