



ACCN Team 7712 Umoja Robotics Code of Conduct

Expectation of Students

Umoja Robotics is about more than building the robot in six weeks, it's growing as people and broadening our horizons and taking in as much as you can and expanding your knowledge. To ensure that you get the most out of the program we have some ground rules.

1. Core Values

- Umoja Robotics focuses on personal growth, broadening horizons, and expanding knowledge beyond just building robots.

2. Commitment

- Team members are expected to attend each weekly scheduled meeting and event.
- Weekly meetings are held on Saturdays; if necessary tasks are not completed, additional meetings may be scheduled for Sundays.
- Meetings start at the specified time and end when mentors give approval to leave.
- Punctuality is crucial; arrive at the designated location on time.

3. Attendance

- If unable to attend a meeting or event, provide a 24-hour notice in the general Slack channel.

4. Meeting Conduct

- Students should be off their phones during meetings unless it is lunch time or they have permission from a mentor.
- Respect for peers and mentors is mandatory.

5. Disciplinary Policy

- A three-strike policy is in place; breaking the rules three times will result in expulsion from the program.

6. Competitions

- The drive team must be present on load-in day (The first day listed for the competition is load-in day) to load in the robot, set up the team pit, get the robot inspected, connect it to the field, book practice time, and participate in practice matches.
- Students are expected to exhibit Gracious Professionalism, a principle emphasizing high-quality work, valuing others, and respecting individuals and the community.

7. Academic and Family Obligations

- Academic and family obligations come first; however, team members should rearrange their schedules to participate in meetings, events, and competitions.

8. Participation

- To fully benefit from what FIRST and the program offer, team members must give their best effort.

Expectation of Parents

1. Support and Encouragement

- Encourage your child to participate fully and commit to the team's schedule and activities.
- Support your child in balancing their academic, family, and team responsibilities.

2. Respect and Communication

- Respect the decisions and guidelines set by the team mentors and leaders.
- Communicate any concerns or questions with mentors or team leaders in a respectful and constructive manner.

3. Attendance and Punctuality

- Ensure your child arrives on time for all scheduled meetings, events, and competitions.
- Inform the team in advance if your child will be unable to attend a meeting or event, following the team's notification guidelines.

4. Behavior and Conduct

- Encourage your child to show respect towards their peers, mentors, and competitors.
- Reinforce the importance of following the team's rules and the three-strike disciplinary policy.

5. Competitions and Events

- Support your child's participation in competitions by ensuring they are available for load-in days and all competition days.
- Promote the values of Gracious Professionalism, emphasizing high-quality work, respect for others, and community spirit.

6. Team Involvement

- Be involved in team activities when appropriate, such as attending competitions, volunteering, and supporting team events.
- Encourage other parents to participate and support the team.

7. Safety and Well-being

- Ensure your child understands and follows all safety guidelines during team activities.
- Monitor your child's well-being and communicate any concerns regarding their health or safety to the mentors.

8. Positive Reinforcement

- Provide positive reinforcement for your child's efforts and achievements within the team.
- Celebrate successes and help your child learn from challenges and setbacks.

9. Commitment to Values

- Uphold the team's values and principles in all interactions.
- Promote a culture of learning, growth, and respect within the team community.