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Troy Public Library Hosts First Ever Robotics Demonstration Day in April

TROY, MICHIGAN: Members of the public are invited to see a variety of Troy-based robotics teams show off their ingenuity and hard work at the first ever Troy Public Library (TPL) Robotics Demonstration Day on April 27.

Robotics involvement is a great way for kids to gain confidence, creativity, problem-solving skills, and learn things like coding and how to apply math and science concepts in concrete ways. With all these benefits, it is no surprise that there are more than 50 robotics teams established in the Troy School District.



"With so many students and their families showing their passion in this area, it was time for TPL to find a way to help these teams showcase their work. With the now established Troy Robotics Foundation we had an excellent opportunity to create a partnership to host this event," says Keegan Sulecki, Head of Youth Services.

The Troy Robotics Foundation (TRF) was established to provide support to robotics teams within our local community, aligning with the expanding programs in Troy. "With a rich history spanning over 25 years of competitive robotics teams, we are thrilled to collaborate with the Troy Public Library to spotlight the learning opportunities that engage our future leaders," says Srinivas Simhan, President of the TRF Board. This partnership aims to not only showcase the achievements of these robotics teams but also to underscore the significance of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education.

During competition, teams are judged on demonstrating teamwork, community outreach, and clear concise communication and more. "We hope to make Robotics Demonstration day a twice yearly event to support teams in recruiting new members, sharing information about Robotics and its growing importance, and giving teams an opportunity to work on those communication and teamwork skills before competition," Sulecki says.

Robotics teams of all ages interested in having a table at this event must fill out the application <u>here</u>. Applications are due by April 8.

This event takes place Saturday, April 27 from 10 am–12 pm at the <u>Troy Community</u> <u>Center</u> in rooms 304/305. <u>Registration</u> is encouraged, but not required. This event is provided in partnership with the Troy Robotics Foundation.

Troy Public Library is located at 510 W. Big Beaver Rd., just northeast of City Hall. Visit <u>troypl.org</u> for more information or call 248.524.3538.

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