

Minutes of the Public Session Board Meeting of the Near North District School Board held February 16, 2021

x support team and event costs for our potential annual FLL tournament for the 2021 / 2022 season in early winter

What experience would our students gain or acquire that may not be available to them otherwise. We would like to hear how this funding will help you achieve your goals:

Participate in a program that gives them real time experience in an enterprise that offers

- x hands-on experiences through designing, building, programming and driving robots,
- x see and learn engineering, scientific and business principles
- x interact with professionals from the community and learn directly from engineers, managers and owners, practical and soft-core skills for their future endeavors,
- x create team business and presentation documents in multiple formats & mediums
- x develop enhanced writing and verbal communication skills and apply them by presenting to community organizations via our numerous outreach events,
- x compete at local, provincial and international level competitions

## Team Accomplishments

- x In 2020, while having completed , but then not physically able to attend a competition with our robot, we virtually still competed for judged awards.
- x Won the qualified us for the virtual Provincial Championships judging at which we won the top prize and a berth amongst 26
- x finalists, ), 5 6 ₹ ¶tudent leadership recognition award. Team has one of the highest success rates in FIRST
- x Designed and fabricated portable UV virus sterilization cart distributed across Canada to 50 FRC teams and their communities
- x In late 2020 we kept active by participating in *FIRST*
- x Continue to support STEM activities throughout our schools and communities

This funding is crucial to the accessibility of programs, activities, potential travel, and learning opportunities for students.

This funding will continue to contribute to the practical use of skills taught in academic classrooms. *FIRST* is a dynamic, fun, life-changing approach to learning. Because we are a *FIRST* hub in the Near North, we establish the building blocks that enable team members to