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Dear Parents of Future Fourth and Fifth Graders,
We at MAES are very proud of our two robotics team. The Lightning/Thunder Wolf Cubs Robotics Teams represent outstanding behavior and spirit wherever we go. Participation provides great opportunities for STEM learning and problem solving. Team members learn new and exciting things about the world, and they gain experience presenting their findings and solutions before judges. They grow as collaborators and leaders. In addition, it is fun!

There are a very limited number of spaces available to fourth and fifth graders on the Lightning Wolf Cubs Robotics Team for the 2019-2020 school year. All fourth and fifth graders have the opportunity to apply for a place on the team. However, only 12 students will be invited to join the team.

The criteria for team membership is based on scholarship, collaborative skills and sportsmanship, ethics, reliability, persistence and problem solving skills. Obviously, an interest in applied math and science is a bonus, as well.

Here are some things for you to keep in mind:

- This is a significant time commitment. Students will be expected to attend practice regularly beginning in the fall.
- Practice will be scheduled on Wednesdays to 4:30 pm, please be on time picking up your student or they will be sent to ASP.
- Team members can expect to be assigned to the position most needed by the team. This decision will be made by the coaches.
- There are very high expectations for behavior, especially when we are at tournaments or other events.
- Students who are part of the team in fourth grade are invited to return for their fifth grade year. This allows us to learn and grow, as well as to pass along the things we learn to the next set of students.
- There will be a \$100 fee to be a part of the team. This will cover the cost of shirts, registration, materials for practice and competition.

An application will be sent home the first week of school in August for the 2019-2020 school year.

If you have any questions please email Mr. Smith at cody.smith@dcssga.org or Mrs. Anthony at sarah.anthony@dcssga.org

We look forward hearing from interested students, and we are excited about beginning another great year of robotics!

Sincerely,

Mr. Smith and Mrs. Anthony

MAES Lightning/Thunder Wolf Cubs Robotics Coaches