

The following example is provided courtesy of FIRST® Robotics Competition team 1816, The Green Machine, from Edina, MN.

Expectations of Student Members

The **Green Machine** is about more than building the robot for six weeks out of the year: It's about taking part in all of the activities that help to make The **Green Machine** a premier team in **Minnesota** and beyond. Accordingly, the expectation is that team members will attend scheduled meetings, workshops, seminars, and outreach events. While academic and family obligations come first, meeting your obligations to the team may mean re-arranging your schedule to be able to participate in community service, training, mentoring, outreach, and other activities.

To get the most out of what *FIRST* has to offer and to be a team member that others can count on to contribute to the team's success, every team member needs to commit to making full participation in team activities a priority.

Student Eligibility

1. Students must be an **Edina High School** student.
2. Students must maintain a minimum of a C- average.
3. Students are expected to make a significant time commitment to the team, actively participating in meetings, workshops, and events. Commitment to the team increases substantially during the months of January – May.
4. Students are expected to be reliable (on-time, prepared to work, clean up, positive attitude, assist newer members, responsive to mentors and other adult volunteers) and assist with team administrative tasks.
5. Students and parents must complete all required and necessary registrations with Team, *FIRST*®, and Edina High School, and pay all required fees including the annual registration fee, team apparel costs, and travel expenses.

Code of Conduct

Gracious Professionalism™, one of the founding principles of *FIRST*, is essential to team participation. "It's a way of doing things that encourages high-quality work, emphasizes the value of others, and respects individuals and the community". (www.firstinspires.org)

The following Code of Conduct describes standards of behavior applicable to all team members, and is intended to create an environment that encourages gracious professionalism. Violations of the Code of Conduct are subject to disciplinary action, to be determined by the team's lead mentors and **Edina High School Administration**, which may include suspension from team activities, ineligibility to travel with the team, or removal from the team.

1. Students will display "Gracious Professionalism" at all times and promote the ideals of *FIRST*.
2. Students will sign an agreement and follow the same rules as dictated by **Edina High School** and the **Minnesota State High School League**, including those in regards to alcohol and chemical substances.
3. Students will not violate the racial/religious/harassment/violence/and hazing bylaws of the **Minnesota State High School League** Eligibility Rules: at <http://www.mshsl.org/mshsl/Publications/code/handbook/HandbookTOC.htm?ne=8>
4. Students will behave in a courteous and cooperative manner, especially when in public, visiting corporate offices, presenting to sponsors, and during outreach events and activities.

5. Students will be respectful of others and behave in a way that does not endanger the health and safety of themselves or others.
6. Students will be respectful of the facilities, tools, equipment and all things being used by the team.
7. Students shall not use profane, obscene or vulgar language in written, gestured, or verbal form. [Edina Robotics](#) abides by [Edina Public School's Acceptable Use Policy](#) for all communications, including all social media and Internet usage.
8. Students will keep current with team activities and requirements by checking the website and their email frequently.

Lettering and School Recognition

1. The faculty advisor, with input from all team mentors, will determine which students receive an [Edina High School](#) letter and/or school and team recognition awards.
2. Students must be an active participant of the team (contributions to sub-teams, significant participation at team events is expected, as is communication with leaders and mentors).
3. Students must be a member in good standing for each of **two** years.
4. At a minimum, students must attend one competition approved by the Faculty Advisor (other than Championship), **in its entirety** for each of the two years.
5. The faculty advisor has total discretion on all lettering decisions.