Botball DC/Virginia Regional Tournament

Please look at the following reminders and your set documentation time:

Just a few reminders and details about the regional tournament:

Documentation deadline: Wednesday April 3rd, 2019

FAQ: Review the FAQ to make sure you haven't missed anything

Venue: Annandale High School, 4700 Medford Dr. Annandale, VA 22003

Time: Check-in 8:00 am, Practice 8:00-9:45 am, Tournament begins 10:00 am

Food: There may be a concession stand available. Food places are available within driving distance. Lunch can also be brought and ate in the venue.

Volunteers Needed- PLEASE READ

We are requesting that *each team sign up one volunteer to help* run the Botball tournament and/or Jr. Botball Challenge at some point throughout the day. Volunteers can sign-up at <u>KIPR.org/volunteer</u>. Please make sure any volunteers that sign-up enter the date 4/6/2019 and add whatever time slot they are available to volunteer. Volunteers are the backbone that keep these events running successfully! Any volunteer help is appreciated, even if only for a couple hours. Thank you in advance for helping this tournament become a success! We will provide a t-shirt and snacks for all volunteers.

- On a similar note, tear down is a big undertaking and teams are allowed and requested to help tear down tables and clean up after the tournament ends. With that being said, **KIPR is expecting that if you take home a trophy at a regional tournament that you help as much as you can with the tear down**. So please try and plan accordingly as you prepare for traveling to and from the tournament that you have adequate time to both arrive early and prepare as your team requires and leave a little late to help tear down.

Other Reminders:

Remember this is a student event, no adults are allowed in the pits. There will be a coaches meeting before the tournament starts around 8:45 am, please listen for the announcement. We can use help setting up on Friday evening from 4:00 pm - until finished, please reach out to me if you are available and want to help us get set up.

Junior Botball Challenge

There will be a Junior Botball Challenge at this event. Teachers can view the listed challenges and sign-up their students by logging in and visiting <u>www.kipr.org</u> -> Jr. Botball. If you have any questions please let me know.

Opportunity for Professional Development (Elementary and Middle School)

KIPR is excited to announce that we will once again be hosting a workshop during the 2019 Infosys Pathfinders Conference. If you are interested in starting a Junior Botball Challenge program in your school or district or know someone who does please apply and share this info with other educators! **Funding IS PROVIDED FOR TEACHERS**, so please take advantage and share with colleagues all over. It is an amazing opportunity:

"Inspired by the success of past funding initiatives to train thousands of public school teachers and last year's training week, Infosys Foundation USA will host for the second year, the Pathfinders Summer Institute 2019, a national convening for K-12 teacher education in Computer Science and Making.

<u>#InfyPathfinders</u> will be an intensive week of in-person professional development at <u>Indiana</u> <u>University Bloomington</u> (IUB) from July 14-19, 2019. Over 700 public school teachers from across the country will convene on the IUB campus for high-quality hands-on training for K-12 CS and Maker education. All tuition, airfare, room and board for teacher participants will be paid. Funds from Infosys Foundation USA will be matched by schools, districts, and by individual donations through <u>DonorsChoose.org</u> in order to make it possible for teachers to attend the Pathfinders Summer Institute at no cost. You will receive a full robot kit and more.

Applications for Pathfinders Summer Institute open February 15th, 2019. All K-12 public school teachers are invited to apply. Special consideration will be given to high-needs schools, teachers from under-represented communities, those new to teaching CS and Making, and districts demonstrating significant commitment to these subjects. Teachers and schools can register their interest at: infy.com/Pathfinders"

Team #	Onsite Documentation	Time
702	Holton-Arms School	10:15 AM
247	Great Mills High School	10:30 AM
128	McLean HS	10:45 AM
142	Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology	11:00 AM
160	Explorer Post 1010	11:15 AM
86	Bald Eagle Area School District	11:30 AM

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506	Great Mills High School	11:45 AM
249	Great Mills High School	12:00 PM
716	Maryland School for the Deaf	12:15 PM
6	Dead Robot Society	12:30 PM
504	Great Mills High School	12:45 PM
248	Great Mills High School	1:00 PM
546	Georgetown day school	1:15 PM
105	Holton-Arms School	1:30 PM
586	Parkside Middle School	1:45 PM
230	Winston Churchill High School	2:00 PM
333	Rockville High School	2:15 PM
12	Episcopal School of Jacksonville	2:30 PM
135	YMWIC	2:45 PM
571	Walter Johnson High School	3:00 PM
747	Winston Churchill High School	3:15 PM
664	Catalyst Space	3:30 PM
274	Annandale High School	3:45 PM
250	Great Mills High School	4:00 PM
119	Severn School	4:15 PM
246	Great Mills High School	4:30 PM
143	Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology	4:45 PM
318	Episcopal School of Jacksonville	5:00 PM

I hope all of you have been keeping up with documentation and are having fun preparing your 2019 Botball solution!! We can't wait to see what you all have in store for us this year. *Don't forget to keep it simple*!

Remember we are here to help. If you need anything don't hesitate to call or email.

Regards,



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