

# The Atoms Family

## Varsity Robotics Team 4405

### 2022-2023 Season

## Code of Conduct

Students must be able to function in a positive environment in order to be productive and ensure a positive atmosphere. All members of the team are expected to exhibit exemplary behavior and act as role models for their peers and other team members. Team members will be in the public eye both on and off the playing field. Knowing this, you must conduct yourself accordingly. The actions of a team member are a direct reflection of God, themselves, their team, their school or corporate sponsor, and family.

As a team member, you are expected to wear your team shirt with respect and pride in what it represents. "Good Sportsmanship" consists of respect for others and cooperation with teachers, coaches, teammates, and officials.

Per the PCA handbook, depending on the severity and seriousness of a behavior issue the team member may be dropped from the team, put on probation, or given a verbal warning. In all cases, the situation is expected to be rectified in a timely manner to the satisfaction of the school administration and team leaders.

The Team asks that you treat everyone with respect. Remember that many are volunteering their time to help the team. Please respect and thank them for this commitment!

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## Safety

In order to run any successful business or team, a high level of safety must be observed, practiced, and maintained. The following rules are designed to ensure the safety of students, mentors, and any visitors:

- All students and mentors are required to take Safety Level 1 training and successfully obtain a badge certification.
- Horseplay will not be allowed at any time.
- No student is allowed to use a power tool or machine without a supervisor's permission and must have reviewed all safety aspects of that tool or machine.
- Safety glasses must be worn at all times in the shop.
- All students and mentors are required to provide their own pair of safety glasses at the competitions.
- When using loud equipment, hearing protection must be worn.
- Before exiting the building, always check out with a lead mentor to let them know you are leaving.

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## Student Expectations

Students will put priority on their grades at all times. Grades are important and students must maintain a GPA that follows the PCA school guidelines. If needed, bring your homework to practice. Students are required to show proof of their eligibility to participate by sending Mrs. Wash a grade update every Wednesday on a weekly basis.

### REMEMBER – HOMEWORK COMES FIRST!

- Maintain good study habits and grades during the season.
- Read and understand all the rules of the competition.
- Understand our team's robot and competition strategy.
- Always remain on task.
- Act in a gracious and professional manner.
- Follow all safety rules.
- Check their email daily.
- Wear team t-shirt to team events.
- All team members must also follow the school rules in the Plymouth Christian Academy High School handbook.
- Remain seated and listen while mentors are trying to speak to the team. The less interference, the more work we can get accomplished.
- If you miss a meeting, it is your responsibility to find out what happened at the meeting.
- Absolutely no members are allowed to be in the robotics room without a mentor/supervisor.
- During build season, attendance is a must! If people don't show up and do their jobs, the whole team suffers.
- Fees are \$200 for PCA students and \$300 for non-PCA students. Fees will be waived if a parent volunteers full-time as a mentor (80+ Hours). See separate fee sheet for more details.

- Don't Touch Anything – Parts, tools, and assemblies that are not your responsibility must be left undisturbed. You could inadvertently damage or disrupt someone else's work.
- If you do not know what to do while you're at the meetings, ASK! We need everyone working as hard as they can to meet the deadlines.
- At the end of the workday, students are required to help clean up.
- If a student needs to leave early, he/she should cleanup their area and ask an adult what else they should do before leaving.
- Students may not wander the building without the permission of an adult.
- Remain in Room 219 and 301 during the work session. If you do not remain in the classroom, you will be sent home and lose credit for that day's attendance.
- Arrange for their parents/guardians to be present at every meeting at least five minutes prior to pick up.
- ALWAYS leave and enter through Door #16 or #17 of the building.

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## Varsity Robotics Letter

Students who participate in high school robotics can qualify for a school varsity letter. Earning your varsity letter is a major accomplishment. It is evidence that you have excelled as a robotics member and in the classroom. The varsity letter is a recognition award presented by the Lead Mentors on the robotics team. To be eligible, students must:

- Contribute a minimum of 80 hours during the current season.
- Attend all district events, state championships, and world championships.
- Remain in good academic standing.
- Show marked improvement during the season and from the previous season.
- Be of good character, a teammate and team player.
- Contribute to the team's success.

Those who earn a varsity letter are awarded with a certificate and varsity letter (first year only) or a bar (second, third and fourth year). In addition, those who are on the team for at least two consecutive years, including their senior year and qualify for a varsity letter both years, will receive a FIRST graduation cord.

Please consult Mrs. Wash if you have further questions about varsity letter requirements.

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## Parent Volunteers

Parent volunteers contribute to our team's success. They are an invaluable asset to all of the FIRST robotics programs. We are always looking for parents/volunteers to fill many areas. Please check any of the items below in which you may be available to offer support.

- Snacks
- Meal Support
- Carpooling
- Fundraising
- Hotel booking
- T-shirts
- Chaperoning
- Mentoring (Engineering, Business, Safety, CAD, Media)
- Tournament Volunteers (Required by FIRST)
- I cannot volunteer at this time.

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All volunteers are required complete a volunteer form through Plymouth Christian Academy. Anyone volunteering with FIRST Events are required to complete a volunteer form on the FIRST Website in the volunteer area.

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**Robotics Fees**

Fees will be used to pay for, but not limited to, the following items: T-shirts, equipment, robot parts, entry fees, varsity letters, travel, and food.

Preferred payment is online. If you cannot use the online payment form, please check the appropriate box, and return with your payment to Mrs. Wash. Payments should be submitted by 1/31/2023 and may be paid in installments of four if needed.

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

- PCA student-\$200 fee
- Non-PCA student-\$300 fee

Checks should be made payable to Plymouth Christian Academy with HS Robotics in the memo.

Online payments: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/2OwfAYP7>