

WEST MONROE HIGH SCHOOL

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Shelby Ainsworth, Principal

Hello,

I represent *FIRST*[®] robotics team 3468 – **MAGNA***tech*. We are affiliated with West Monroe High School and the only *FIRST*[®] robotics team in Northeast Louisiana. Last year, through the support of businesses in our community, our team participated in the prestigious *FIRST*[®] competition at the regional level for the 6th time. Team 3468 gives high school students like myself to learn valuable skills like programming, construction, marketing, and web design – but we need your help.

FIRST® Robotics makes games with real-world tasks in mind, because it focuses on building robots similar to those utilized in the real world. Each year a new challenge is assigned, and teams across the country compete for the opportunity to demonstrate their skills in the regional and national arena. Robot sizes range from miniature to taller than a grown man, and it is truly impressive to see these creations competing like mechanized athletes.

We need financial support in order to meet the demands of national competition. Each regional qualifier costs over \$9,000 between registration and robotics parts, plus an additional \$5,000 for travel and hotel arrangements. The funds that we raise this year will cover our entry fee for our competition, construction materials such as sheet metal and motors, transportation and lodging for the regional competition, spare parts, and other necessities. Our goal is to raise at least \$20,000 for this purpose. We want to show the nation that North Louisiana is becoming a leader in technology, industry, and design – and in competitions like *FIRST*[®], we have that opportunity.

Please consider supporting Northeast Louisiana as well as West Monroe High School by becoming one of the following:

- *Partner* \$5,000 or greater You or your business will be added to the official team name in registration, allowing you to appear in press releases or official results. Your logo will be featured on the team T-shirt, website, banner, and robot.
- Supporter \$1,000-\$4,999 You or your business logo will be featured on the team T-shirt, banner, and website.
- Associate \$50-\$999 You or your business name will be listed on the team T-shirt and website.

We appreciate any amount of help that you or your business would like to provide. Donations of services such as welding or printing are just as desirable, as are donations of materials or time through providing a mentor to help guide our team as we construct and program our robot during the 2017 build season. Any of these services will also earn you a spot as an Associate, so please let us know how you would like to support our team. Your donation is tax-deductible.

Thank you again for supporting our team and community. Please email our school coaches below with any inquiries or concerns.

Checks should be made out to WMHS Robotics, and can be mailed to:
WMHS Robotics
201 Riggs Street
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Thank you,
First Robotics Team Member