Spirit & Sportsmanship

Bison BEST
Kick-Off Session
2014
BEST Competition

There are two parallel tracts to the BEST program:

0 The Robotics Competition

0 The BEST Award (Optional)

Note: The Project Engineering Notebook is required along with the robot for the robot competition
BEST Award

All teams are eligible for the BEST Award, if you choose to compete.

Judging is based on five criteria (100 points possible):

- 0 Project Engineering Notebook (30 points)
- 0 Marketing Presentation (25 points)
- 0 Team Exhibit & Interview (20 points)
- 0 Robot Competition (15 points)
- 0 Spirit & Sportsmanship (10 points)
Purpose

To display team spirit and sportsmanship at the competition
Guidelines

0 Evaluated based on their observation of team members, teachers, mentors, and spectators

0 Observe the spirit promoted by the team during the competition rounds as well as the conduct throughout the competition in the seating area, table display area, game area, and pit area
What is spirit?
BE CREATIVE! Think of something new that is going to make the judges remember your team and robot!

- Team Hats
- Team T-shirts
- Costumes
- Buttons
- Theme Music
- Banners
- Posters
- School Bands
- Cheerleaders

- Decorated Robots
- Team Cheers
- Spirit Songs
- Number of Supporters in the Stands
- Freebies with logo
- Team/Robot Fact Sheets
Bands
School Mascots
Homemade Mascots
Cheerleaders
Posters
Themes & Costumes
Team T-Shirts
Stands Full of Supporters
Special Note

Please note that supporters and students should be **actively engaged** in the event at all times and should not be:

- On their cell phones texting
- Sleeping
- Playing Gameboys
- On computers unless for scoring software
- Listening to iPods
- And so on...
What is sportsmanship?
Sportsmanship

- Outward displays of sportsmanship
  - Helping teams in need
  - Mentoring teams
- Grace in winning and losing
- Conduct and attitude considered befitting participation in sports
- Evidence that students (not mentors) are making the majority of robot adjustments and repairs
### Purpose:
To display team spirit & sportsmanship at the Competition (15 points)

### Possible Points

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<td>• Exhibit vigor and enthusiasm throughout competition event.</td>
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# SPORTSMANSHIP (8 points)

- **Outward display of sportsmanship.** (e.g., helping other teams in need)  
  20

  **Comments:**

- **Conduct an attitude considered befitting participation in sports** (e.g., grace in winning or losing).  
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  **Comments:**

- **Evidence that students are the primary “pit crew”** (robot repairs and adjustments during competition)  
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**Final Score** 10 max
Teams will vote for BEST Award teams that they think are demonstrating good spirit and sportsmanship. Points will be awarded for both casting your vote and receiving votes. These points are averaged with the spirit and sportsmanship judges’ results to determine a final score for each team. Your team ballot will along with further instructions will be provided when you check-in at Game Day.
Remember...

Bison BEST Robotics does not allow the following noise-makers during the competition:

- Vuvuzela horns
- Air horns
Questions?