

Jenison Robotics Coaches/Mentors Code Of Conduct

Coaches and mentors:

- Should always remember that kids participate for fun, and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never use negative ridicule or yell at children for making a mistake or not winning.
- Be considerate and reasonable in your demands on kids time, energy and enthusiasm. Robotics is only one part of their busy lives.
- Always operate within the code of conduct, respecting the rules and spirit of the competition and fair play, and instruct the kids to do the same.
- Always ensure that the time kids spend with you as coach/mentor is a positive experience. All kids are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- Try to avoid overplaying the talented, more skillful kids. Respect and champion the rights of every individual to participate in the robotics activities.
- Must be discreet in any conversations about participants, coaches or any other individuals.
- Communicate with and provide feedback to participants in a way that reflects respect and care.
- Do not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- Do not encourage any child, or any other person, to engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- Coaches/mentors will not engage in the use of profanity.
- Coaches/mentors should be ready and willing to help all teams of Jenison Robotics.
- And most importantly – the kids are here to learn about Robotics by researching, building, and programming a robot. A “Hands Off” approach must be taken by the coaches/parents/mentors! Except in an emergency, every piece attached to the robot, every line of code, even carrying the robot to and from the field in competitions and at practices, must be done by the kids, not the mentors or coaches.

I hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the foregoing while attending, coaching, officiating or participating in a robotics event I will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

1. Verbal warning issued by a league, organization or school official.
2. Written warning issued by a league, organization or school official.
3. Suspension or termination of coaching/mentor duties.

Name

Signature

Date