



AQUIDNECK ISLAND ROBOTICS



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ABOUT AQUIDNECK ISLAND ROBOTICS



In 2008, Aquidneck Island Robotics (AIR) began in Newport with two adult mentors and five high school students.



Today, AIR is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, volunteer-run organization with over 30 adult mentors. We serve 80 to 100 students each year, making us **the largest youth competitive robotics organization in Rhode Island.**



AIR is open to all K-12 students in Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts from public, private, and home schools. We also offer membership scholarships so students can participate regardless of their ability to pay.



AIR teams take part in *FIRST* (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), a worldwide robotics organization. Our *FIRST* Robotics Competition (FRC) team 78 AIR STRIKE is internationally ranked and has qualified for the World Championships every year since its inception in 2009.

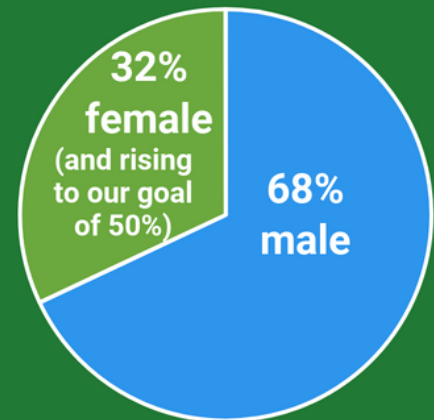
Aquidneck Island Robotics embodies
the vision of *FIRST*:

"To transform our culture by creating a world where science and technology are celebrated and where young people dream of becoming science and technology leaders."

- Dean Kamen, Founder of *FIRST*, engineer, inventor,
and businessman best known for inventing the Segway

AIR by the Numbers

100%
of the past 3 years'
graduating seniors are
pursuing higher education



62%
growth rate of
AIR since 2017



33%
of AIR mentors
participated in *FIRST*
robotics in high school



ANY

low-income student has
access to a full
membership scholarship



10 out of 10
years team
78 AIR STRIKE has
qualified for the
FIRST World
Championships



17 of AIR's 35 high-school level
students participated in FLL

AIR students are on a journey,
building skills as they progress from
FIRST Lego League Jr., through
FIRST Lego League, and on to
FIRST Robotics Competition



88
students ages 5 to 18 on
11 *FIRST* teams in 2019



AIR CHANGES LIVES

EMMA HOAG, AIR Student, *FIRST* Lego League



"Because of AIR, I realized that I can be an engineer. I really like building attachments for the robot, and I think I'm pretty good at it."

Emma is in 7th grade at Thompson Middle School, Newport. She looks forward to joining AIR's FIRST Robotics Competition team.

NATHAN JANSSEN, AIR Student, *FIRST* Robotics Competition



"AIR has changed my life for the better by teaching me leadership and teamwork skills that can't be taught anywhere else. Robots are cool."

Nathan is in 10th grade at Portsmouth High School. His life's goal is to work for NASA.

ELLA JUNGE, AIR Student, *FIRST* Robotics Competition



"AIR has instilled a passion for STEM within me and has also helped me with my communication skills. Being on Chairman's Committee has given me the chance to go out of my comfort zone and not be afraid to talk to the judges."

Ella is in 11th grade at North Kingstown Senior High School. She plans to become a science teacher.

ALEX COREY, AIR Alumnus, *FIRST* Lego League through *FIRST* Robotics Competition



"Through AIR, I learned key lessons that not only helped me in school but also in college and work environments. AIR inspired me to come back after graduating to volunteer both with AIR teams and at *FIRST* events."

Alex is double majoring in Robotics Engineering and Electrical Computer Engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

GREGORY SANFORD, AIR Alumnus & Mentor, *FIRST* Robotics Competition



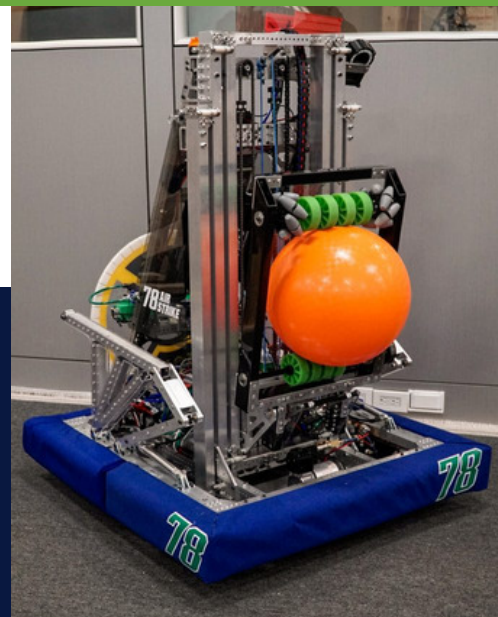
"Robotics was the single most impactful thing I did as a student and I could not imagine my life without it. I believe most of my critical thinking, leadership, and social skills came directly from my time at robotics."

Gregory mentors AIR's FRC team, coaches an AIR FLL team, and is a manager of a hardscape installation company.

SPONSORS MAKE AIR WORK

As a non-profit, all-volunteer organization running a high-budget program, we rely on sponsor donations, both monetary and in-kind, to continue our programs.

Your contribution will fund a variety of needs, from a single motor or speed controller to competition entry fees and 3-D printers.



AIR'S REACH

YOUR INVESTMENT WILL GO BEYOND THE
90+ members
OF OUR TEAMS

200 people
benefitting from
AIR's community
service projects

1,990 students,
mentors, + spectators
at AIR-hosted events

2,165 people
interacted with at
fundraising events

12,485 interactions
through community,
school, STEM, and
sports demos

**AIR reaches
16,000+ people
each year!**

INVEST IN THE FUTURE

We view it as our responsibility to enrich both AIR students and the community around us with an appreciation for and an understanding of STEM. Be a part of this revolution in education and help AIR promote the *FIRST* vision of a world where STEM is valued.

AIR GIVES STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- Build and compete with robots they design themselves
- Work alongside professional engineers
- Learn to use professional hardware and software
- Develop skills in engineering, design, project management, programming, teamwork, communication, and strategic thinking
- Qualify for over \$100 million in college scholarships exclusively available to *FIRST* students



BECOMING AN AIR SPONSOR

Your company's name and logo will be showcased at nationally acclaimed events and publicized in local and national media, generating valuable public relations as we compete and interact with thousands of future engineers and scientists in *FIRST* competitions.



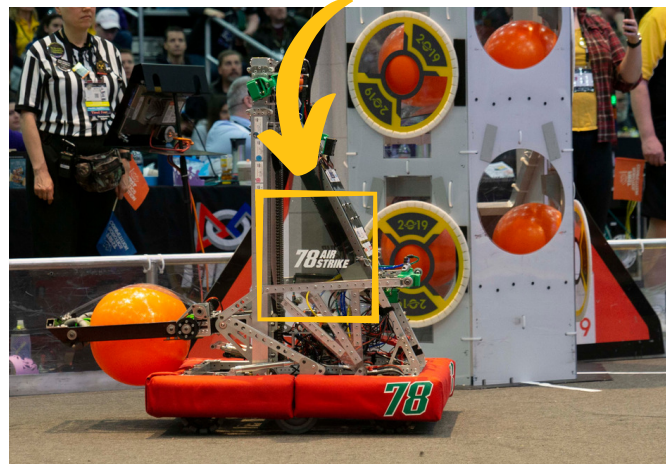
SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:

GOLD SPONSOR

\$3000+

- Logo on Team 78 AIR STRIKE robot, all AIR team T-shirts, community outreach banner, and FRC pit banner and slideshow
- Logo & link on website homepage banner
- Social media shout-outs
- Company profile essay on social media, e-newsletter, and website sponsor page
- Company mentioned in all press releases
- AIR Alumni Directory access
- Request demo of Team 78 AIR STRIKE robot

YOUR LOGO HERE



GREEN SPONSOR

\$1000-2999

- Logo on all AIR team T-shirts, community outreach banner, FRC pit banner and slideshow
- Logo & link on website sponsor page banner
- Social media shout-outs
- Company mentioned in all press releases
- AIR Alumni Directory access
- Request demo of Team 78 AIR STRIKE robot



BLUE SPONSOR

\$500 to \$999

- Logo on community outreach event banner and FRC pit banner
- Logo & link listed on website sponsor page
- Social media shout-outs
- AIR Alumni Directory access



YOU GAIN VISIBILITY WHEN
WE GET RECOGNIZED

AIR will gladly work with sponsors to put together CUSTOM SPONSORSHIP packages with benefits not listed here.

Donate at any level to become a Friend of AIR.



JOIN OUR WINNING ORGANIZATION!



"FIRST creates programs where its participants are limited only by the bounds of their imagination and gives them a forum to begin to examine the world's problems by exploring science, technology, engineering and math."

- Rhode Island Congressman Jim Langevin



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