



KINGSTON ROBO-CARDS TEAM 4994



“We believe in developing skills to ensure successful lives in an increasingly technology-centric environment.” These words encapsulate the mission of the FIRST[®] Robotics Competition (FRC) team 4994, the Kingston Robo-Cards. Alumni of our team will possess a working knowledge of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, as well as essential problem solving skills and experience working in a team environment. Our dedication to this goal was tested – and proven – at our very first competition, where we took home the Rookie Inspiration Award for our ingenuity, flexibility and overwhelming determination. We once again proved our dedication in our second competition, making it to the final round due to teamwork and our engineering prowess.

The non-profit organization in charge of the FRC, FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) boasts an impressive résumé, recruiting industry-leading sponsors and partners such as General Motors, The Chrysler Foundation, NASA and Google, among many others. The organization encourages engineers of all ages with its FIRST[®] LEGO[®] League (grades k-8), FIRST[®] Tech Challenge (7-12) and, of course, the FRC (grades 9-12). Students who join FIRST[®] teams are significantly more likely to attend college and twice as likely to major in science or engineering. College graduates who participated are also ten times as likely to have an internship with a company and four times as likely to pursue a career in science or engineering.

Our team competes at a minimum of two competitions yearly, each boasting hundreds of attendees. With no sponsors and paltry supplies, our teams earned the Rookie Inspiration Award at our very first competition and were finalists in our second competition. With proper funding, we would be far more likely to progress to the state and national levels, exposing our sponsors to far greater numbers. Clearly, sponsoring the Kingston Robo-Cards presents a mutually beneficial opportunity for any company.

Thank you for your time.