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FIRST Robotics Kickoff Event

Ortonville, Michigan, January 4, 2012 — The Truck Town Thunder(T3) Robotics team will be hosting the FIRST Robotics Competition Kickoff Event on January 7, 2012. T3 is inviting the community, sponsors, and parents to come watch the 2012 challenge presented at the Brandon School District ITEC Center at 609 S. Ortonville Rd., Ortonville, MI 48462. Community members are invited to arrive at 10am to watch the presentation. The presentation will begin at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome to stay and join the team in understanding the rules of the 2012 challenge until 5pm. The Truck Town Thunder Robotics team is comprised of both Brandon and Holly Students. The team competes internationally and is very excited for the upcoming challenge. The team will begin their six week build season immediately following the event and are already registered to compete in the Waterford District Competition on March 9-10 at Waterford Mott High School and the Northville District Competition on March 23-24 at Northville High School. The team will be competing for 64 spots at the Michigan State Championships and for 18 spots at The Championship Event in St. Louis, MO., both in April. Over the last 13 years the team has had the opportunity to attend the Championship Event 11 times and was finalist twice in both 1999 and 2009. The team has had a lot of help this year already and is currently in partnership with the following organizations:

General Motors
Michigan Renaissance Festival
Brandon School District
Holly Area Schools
Continental Automotive Systems
Thompson's Hardware
Guardian Industries
Chili's Grill & Bar
Bueches Food World
Brandon STEM Pathways Academy
Professional Dental of Clarkston
Premiere Pediatrics
Milosch's Palace Chrysler Jeep Dodge
Brian's Small Engine Repair
First Impressions Hair Salon
McPhees Restaurant
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Lasco Ford
Wolverine Machine Products Company
Orthodontic Specialists
Candy Cane Christmas Tree Farm
Nature's Way Adult Foster Care/Mindset Management Inc.
J&N Supplies
Hometown Backyard LLC
Debron Industrial Electronics, Inc
John Bunge
Supreme Promotions
Debra Sieg
Jacobs Engineering
Szott Ford
Bryan Thomas DDS
Fujikura Automotive
Genesee Polymers Corp
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