

New Horizons Regional Education Center

FIRST Robotics Team #122 School Year 2007-2008

Mentor Information Form

A mentor is a person who is willing to share his or her expertise in an industry related field to students. They are volunteers and do so on their own time without pay from the school system. A mentor must be accountable for no less than one student and no more than 8.

The New Horizons Robotics team mentor must be able to keep track of students' hours on the project each day they work with that mentor. The mentor must be available to start in September, one day per week and at least three or more days per week during building season. The mentor must teach the students the proper procedures for their related tasks and keep the student active and participating on a level that best suits the students' abilities. The mentor must abide by the rules and standards of New Horizons and will be given a Student handbook for reference regarding school rules. The mentor may ask for assistance from teachers or the team leader.

The team will pay for each mentor that is not affiliated with NASA or any other company sponsored grant to attend at least one regional or national event. If money permits, then the team will pay for one regional and one national event. This is to include hotel accommodations and travel as deemed appropriate by the school. There is only funding available to accommodate the teams' needs not individual requests. Mentors are welcome to provide additional transportation for themselves but not for the students.

It is important for the mentor to keep a safe watch over students and make sure that the proper tool safety has been given before students are allowed to handle such equipment. No tool or piece of equipment will be used by a student without having been shown how to use it first.

While at the competition, it will be the teachers' responsibility to safe guard and direct the students in their daily tasks. We ask that the mentor give input and feedback to the team leader and not the students, should a change be made. It will be the team leaders' responsibility to insure that if changes are made the appropriate people are contacted.

The school wants a well-rounded competitive team but does not want a "win at all costs" attitude reflected to the students. The motto "Inspire at all costs," is more appropriate and will be the new motto for the 2007-2008 New Horizons Robotics team. Welcome to the New Horizons Robotics team of 2007-2008!

I understand and agree to abide by the statements above for the school year 2007-2008 and will do my best to impart my knowledge to High School students while demonstrating my professionalism at all times. I understand that safety is of the utmost importance for this project and I will do my best to instill this upon my sub group of students. I understand that if I have concerns regarding a student or portion of the project I have the right to address the team leader in private. Any recommendations or concerns will be taken seriously and dealt with accordingly.

Mentors Subgroup _____

Mentors Signature _____

Mentors email _____

Mentors cell phone _____

Mentors home number _____

Mentors address _____

Please fill out the appropriate day or both if it applies;

Hours of availability for subgroup on **Tuesday** during September until December are:

Hours of availability for subgroup on **Wednesday** during September until December are:

Days and hours available during build season "January until February"
