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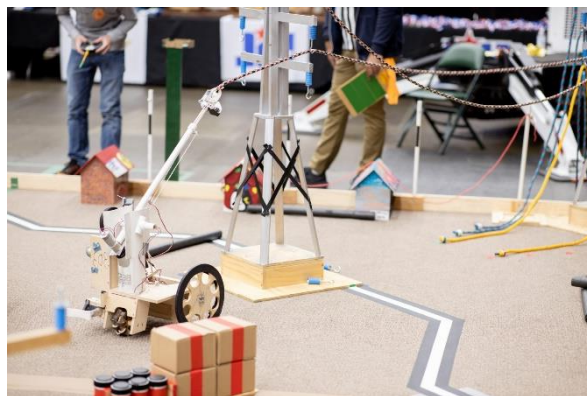
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We are proud to recognize the **Woodlawn Beach Middle School BEST Robotics Team's** accomplishments in the 2019 Emerald Cost Best Robotics Competition and the 2019 South's BEST Robotics Competition.

BEST Robotics (**B**oosting **E**ngineering, **S**cience, and **T**echnology) is a free robotics competition that serves students in grades 6-12. School teams enter the annual competition in September, where they are given a box full of parts, materials, and electronic components and are introduced to a game theme for the year. This year's theme was "Off the Grid" and featured challenges of repairing downed power lines and restoring an electrical grid after a large storm. Teams are shown a unique playing field built to that theme and are introduced to the rules for the game. They will have 6 weeks to build and test a robot to compete on the field in November. During that time, teams decide which components of the game are best suited for them and design their robots specifically with those tasks in mind. They develop engineering notebooks that document their design process and strategy. In November, teams compete at UWF with 20+ other schools. The top schools earn the opportunity to advance to the regional competition (South's BEST) in Auburn, AL, which features top teams from 5 states.



The WBMS Robotics team earned several awards from our local tournament, including awards for **Best Spirit and Sportsmanship, Best Team Exhibits and Interview**, and an overall **BEST Award**, earning them a spot in the 2019 South's Best Regional Championship. The WBMS team performed extremely well at South's BEST, earning the **South's BEST Middle School** award.

Congratulations to **Shannon Farrell**, WBMS BEST Robotics Team Coach, and the WBMS BEST Robotics

team for their stellar performance in each Robotics competition. They represented Santa Rosa County well and we're excited to see them continue in competition next year.

Serving Together,

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