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Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation gives STEM Grant to bring Vex Robotics Club to each Clark-Pleasant Community Elementary School

Whiteland, IN- Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation (CPEF) and Clark-Pleasant Community School Corporation (CPCSC) have announced that all five of the Clark-Pleasant elementary schools will receive a start-up grant to launch a Vex Robotics Club at each of the five Clark-Pleasant Elementary Schools in the Fall of 2019. The STEM grant from Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation, funded in conjunction with a previous STEM grant from Endress+Hauser and Community donors, will total \$20,226 and will assist in expanding STEM programming at each of the Clark-Pleasant elementary schools (Break-O-Day, Clark, Grassy Creek, Pleasant Crossing and Whiteland Elementary), along with STEM education at Sawmill Woods Preschool.

Dr. Patrick Spray, Superintendent of Clark-Pleasant Community Schools states:

“I am so pleased that the foundation could continue to support the area of STEM education and allow us to expand opportunities for our students to further develop creativity and become collaborative problem solvers.”

We are so thankful to Endress+Hauser and our Community Donors for their wonderful support of the Foundation and Clark-Pleasant Community Schools. “We are pleased that we have the opportunity to team up with the school corporation and provide this STEM Grant,” says, Trisha Smith, Executive Director for Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation.

In a joint statement from the CPCSC Elementary Principals, “Receiving the financial support of the Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation and Endress+Hauser will allow our elementary schools to build on our current STEM education through the addition of Robotics Clubs. We value the importance of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) in our ever-changing world. The ability to be involved in hands-on STEM activities will also strengthen leadership skills, creativity, communication, and collaboration. Robotics Clubs will foster and inspire CPCSC students to be the problem-solvers of tomorrow.”



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About VEX Robotics

VEX Robotics is a leading provider of educational and competitive robotics products to schools, universities and robotics teams around the world. Their VEX IQ and VEX EDR product lines span elementary, middle, and high schools with accessible, scalable, and affordable robotics solutions. Beyond science and engineering principles, a VEX Robotics project encourages teamwork, leadership, and problem solving among groups. It allows educators to easily customize projects to meet the level of students' abilities as they inspire & prepare the STEM problem-solvers of tomorrow.

About Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation:

Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation is a non-profit organization that raises funds to enhance educational opportunities within Clark-Pleasant Community School Corporation through grants and scholarships. Since starting in 2012, Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation has given out over \$160,000 in grants and scholarships to students and teachers.

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