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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SMCHS to Host VEX Robotics Tournament

St. Mary Catholic High School, located at 1050 Zephyr Drive in Neenah, will be the site of the SMCHS VEX Robotics Championship on Saturday, January 7, 2017. Admission to this tournament is free.

Thirty high school teams from around the region and two middle school teams will compete to earn spots in the state competition and win the coveted tournament awards. Seven teams from St. Mary Catholic's celebrated program will compete.

Concessions, including hot food and beverages will be available throughout the day. In addition, a complimentary team service center will be set up to assist any team that may need technical help.

The schedule for the tournament is as follows:

Friday January 6

5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Robot inspections

Saturday January 7

7:00 AM Check-In

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM Robot Inspections

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Team Interviews

7:30 AM - 3:00 PM Skills Competitions

9:00 AM - 9:15 AM Coaches \ Drivers Meeting

9:15 AM - 9:30 AM Break

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Qualifying Matches

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Lunch Break

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Qualifying Matches Continue

1:30 PM - 1:45 PM Break

1:45 PM - 2:15 PM Alliance Selection

2:15 PM - 2:30 PM Break

2:30 PM - 5:00 PM Elimination Matches
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM Awards and Closing Ceremony

Club Mentors Greg Cheslock and Dave Levine agree that hosting this tournament is one of the club's favorite activities in the busy competition season. "In addition to competing on their home turf, the team really enjoys providing hospitality to other teams through the team service center. They also love showing younger people the excitement and opportunities in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) education!", Levine stated.

For more information about the tournament, contact St. Mary Catholic Schools at 920-722-7796. For more information about the VEX Robotics program, visit www.vexrobotics.com.

St. Mary Catholic Schools (SMCS) includes St. Mary Catholic High School and St. Mary Catholic Middle School in the Town of Fox Crossing and St. Mary Catholic Elementary Schools (St. Margaret Mary and St. Gabriel in Neenah, and St. Mary in Menasha). SMCS is dedicated to the individual development of each student in grades Pre3-12, by providing the highest quality education focused on faith, academics and service in a rapidly changing world.

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