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### **SMCS to Host Robotics Open House**

(Neenah) On **Wednesday, November 4, 2015 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**, St. Mary Catholic Schools will host an open house featuring the high school's renowned VEX Robotics program, the middle school's VEX and FIRST LEGO League teams, and other TEC (technology and engineering club) activities. The open house will be held in the newly expanded SMCS Technology Center, which is located near Zephyr Fields (behind the high school) on the campus at 1050 Zephyr Drive, Neenah.

St. Mary Catholic Schools is well known and highly respected across the Fox Valley and beyond as a leader in VEX Robotics. For multiple consecutive years, teams from the SMCS program have competed with great success at local, state, national and international tournaments, winning numerous overall championships and many tournament awards.

This open house is an opportunity for community members to meet the SMCS Robotics Club mentors, see live demonstrations of the students' award-winning robots on the playing field, tour the newly expanded facility and learn more about what sets the SMCS program apart.

"We are so proud of the students who participate in TEC," said Greg Cheslock, founder and lead mentor of the robotics program. "They spend hundreds of hours each season working together to design, build, and program robots, yet still find time to participate in community robotics education outreach projects and helping other teams. We are also very excited about the expansion of our TEC facility that took place over the summer! Our space was more than doubled, making room for the middle school VEX and FIRST teams and allowing us to have separate work areas for the programming/practice and design/build work spaces."

**St. Mary Catholic Schools** (SMCS) includes St. Mary Catholic High School and the new St. Mary Catholic Middle School in the Town of Menasha and St. Mary 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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