

South Central's FTC Robotics

South Central's FTC Robotics Teams completed their rookie year with a number of accomplishments! Thirty students joined our three teams FTC 9584, 9645, and 9646. While we only made it to one competition this season due to weather, one of our teams made it to the finals, won the Highest Rookie Seed award, and was invited to the state competition. A second of our teams was invited to states afterward when another team bowed out. In addition to the competition we attended, we held our first annual scrimmage here at South Central with teams from New Prairie and East Chicago High School. We were also awarded a 3D printer, which we are excited to put to use next season. Aside from the ways in which we grew externally, each of the kids grew in their own way from this program. The robotics teams offered students a new space for collaboration and teamwork while solving a problem. They learned about math and science and engineering; how to communicate an idea; how to resolve conflicts and how to lead their peers. Many of them are excited to be returning for their second season this year!

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