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waterford initiative for robotics education & development
a Waterford School District STEM enrichment program

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2017 - 2018 Season



→ 10 teams

- ◆ 7 elementary teams
- ◆ 3 middle school teams

→ New this season we entered into the VEX IQ Robotics system

- ◆ Providing our teams with more robot time, engineering, problem solving, team work, coding and designing skills.
- ◆ Parents and team members were invited to a WIRED Season Kick Off this past August.
- ◆ Each team was provided this year's challenge - The RingMaster at the beginning of the school year.

→ Each team met two - three times per week up until the competition date in early November to prepare.



Tournament Day - November 11, 2017

First Annual Waterford VEX IQ Qualifying Tournament was held at

Pierce Middle School

Welcoming 30 teams from across the state

Each team took part in 8 qualifying matches to determine advancement to the final rounds.

Team 64173A from Cooley and Riverside coached by Dave McKinnon qualified to move on to the final round.



What's Next?

- Two of our middle school teams have been invited to compete in two different upcoming tournament.
 - ◆ Team 57106B from Pierce Middle School coached by Ace Olson will be competing in January at Monroe County Community College
 - ◆ Team 45885B from Pierce and Mason Middle School coached by Dan Verhey will be competing in February in Pigeon, Michigan
- Information about the 2018-2019 season will be shared with the community in June.



