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Charlotte Upper Elementary Hosts Robotics Competition

On Saturday December 5th, Charlotte Public Schools hosted a state qualifying VEX IQ robotics competition. Twenty eight teams converged on Charlotte Upper Elementary early on Saturday morning to play a series of one minute competitive team alliance robotics matches that would determine who would win the coveted spots and move on to the state finals.

Teams from the CUE and Charlotte Middle School competed with teams from Lansing, Perry, East Lansing, Haslett, Grand Ledge and Pontiac. Students were interviewed by a panel of judges to learn how the students had organized and managed their teams and discover the thought process and strategies that had led to their robot design.



Teams also programmed their robots to function autonomously and presented STEM projects. In the end two teams from the CUE's C-BOT team qualified to participate in the top ten finals, with one team tying for second. Two teams from Pontiac emerged victorious taking the top honors in drivers challenge, STEM presentation, programming and design competitions. A large and very vocal crowd was on hand to cheer on the excitement. Over one hundred students participated in the competition. Charlotte Public Schools will host its second state qualifying tournament on Saturday January 23rd; all are welcome to come and enjoy the experience.