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## **CHARLOTTE VEX IQ ROBOTICS TEAM EARNS PLACE IN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**



Three teams comprised of ten members of the Charlotte Upper Elementary competitive VEX IQ robotics program traveled to Rochester Hills on Saturday, February 6, to compete with 27 teams from around Michigan. Up for grabs was the opportunity to earn a place in the Michigan VEX IQ state championship. All three Charlotte teams finished in the top ten!

Benjamin Stambaugh, Chase Oversmith, and Montana Powell driving C-BOT "Beast" received the Teamwork Champions Award, forming an alliance with Cranbrook School to take top honors and earn their place in the state championship!

Congratulations to Josh Bedder, Ty Lumbert, and Paige Myers, who launched C-BOT "Dragon" from fifteenth place to a joint second place finish, following a thrilling final match.

Gabe Wertz, Connor Quinn, Nick Usher, and Colin Grey topped off a fantastic day's competition, piloting C-BOT "Jerry Rig" to a seventh place finish.

Congratulations to all of the team members on a very successful competition and thank you to the many volunteers that make this experience possible for our students!

Go Orioles! Oriole Pride!

