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In General

The mission of Lovejoy Robotics is to propel each person, team and robot to excellence. In order to accomplish this we need to maintain a strong focus on our tradition of excellence with ethical, responsible and honorable behavior. As a student in the program, you will be expected to work as hard as you can and compete to the best of your ability. Coaches are expected to do the same. We will always seek to follow our core values and beliefs, they are our guiding principles. Our vision is to see all students filled with inspiration, service, and to become transformational leaders in an ever-evolving world.



One Heart One Lovejoy

Inclusive
Respect
Sharing
Traditions
Service
Fun



Best Today Better Tomorrow

We are in pursuit of our best,
everyday, no limits

Continually learning and growing in
all areas

Hold ourselves accountable to
living to our values in all actions



People Come First

Decisions made in the best interest
of the org, the students and teams

Remember why robotics adds
value

We invest in each other and strive
to build others up

1. Name and Purpose

Name

The name of this organization shall be the Lovejoy High School Robotics Team. We will refer to the Lovejoy High School Robotics Team by a few common names in this handbook/document, separate documents, at competitions, and in different modes of communication. The other names of the Lovejoy High School Robotics team will be the following: VRC Team 1082, 1082, Lovejoy Robotics, LHS Robotics. 1082 is our official VEX Robotics Competition team number. Although Lovejoy Robotics also refers to the collective robotics programs across the district, any mention of Lovejoy Robotics in this document will be referring to the program at LHS. We are no longer a “club” like things were before 2019, but now we are considered a team, sanctioned by LHS, LISD and UIL, and we hold tryouts annually to determine which students will be in the program. Any mention of the *program* or the *organization* will both be references to LHS Robotics. Students, Team Members, Members, Competitors, etc. are all interchangeable terms and will refer to the student members of 1082.

Purpose

The purpose of LHS Robotics will be: **1.)** Prepare and compete in the VEX Robotics Competition (VRC) **2.)** Promote STEM engagement and robotics opportunities for students across the district/community and **3.)** Prepare students for life after high school by equipping them with meaningful skills beyond robotics, such as interview, collaboration, problem-solving and teamwork skills. The VRC program we compete in is unlike other High School activities in that it is organized globally- there are opportunities to compete with teams that are from other states and countries and this makes VRC a truly unique experience we are proud to participate in. This STEM activity is not bound by Texas UIL only and competitions can go far beyond the state level.

In our robotics program we shall develop character, leadership, and individual responsibility in each member while maintaining high moral standards. It is the robotics team members' purpose to respect each team member within 1082 and beyond in other organizations in a manner in which will reflect credit upon the school as well as upon the members of the organization. Each member agrees to abide by the rules and regulations in this handbook.

2. Requirements and Membership

1. Members in this organization shall be restricted to current Lovejoy High School students.
2. There will be no set number of members. Membership depends on the scores of the candidates at tryouts, students' past performance and behavior as assessed by the coaches and LHS administration, and students' team status from the past season (EIT, JV, Varsity).
3. The consideration of a candidate for LHS Robotics will be evaluated by the head coach, Mr. Strickland, with input from the assistant coach, Mr. Wolf.
4. When a student has successfully made Varsity, they may be exempt from team tryouts the following year on a case by case basis determined by the coaches assessment.
5. The following reasons will require a Varsity student to tryout again the following year:
 - a. Student was placed on probation for any reason
 - b. Student received an In School Suspension (ISS) or Out of School Suspension (OSS)
 - c. Student failed a report card

***Note:** To join a team a student is required to tryout, and attending a tryout is NOT a guarantee they will make a team.

****** At the end of the season, if a student from Varsity is determined to be in need of a tryout to better assess their skill, then the head coach has the final decision on whether the student needs to try out or not. It is possible for a student on Varsity to be bumped down at any point during the season or post-season to a lower-tier team based on performance, behavior, attendance or Coach Strickland's assessment.

6. Regardless of trying out or returning as an incoming Varsity team member – everyone must complete the pre-season info-gathering survey and turn in all paperwork for the next school year.
7. Members will participate in all activities in which the organization is involved to the best of their ability. This includes all team parties and activities that promote team bonding outside of practice and tournaments, as well as all tournaments that member's team competes in. All members will attend the end-of-year award ceremony.
8. Members must maintain a satisfactory attitude towards school policies. Members will follow all rules and expectations contained in this handbook- failure to do so will result in probation or membership being revoked.
9. To maintain membership, all financial obligations must be met. All school properties must be returned in good condition after a set period of being checked out.
10. Resignation will be accepted only after the member has initiated a conference with the head coach.

3. Student Leadership Positions

The primary method of student leadership within Lovejoy Robotics at LHS is via the [LHS Chapter of the International Robotics Honor Society](#) (IRHS). IRHS Members and Officers represent the face of Lovejoy Robotics towards the school and community. For more information on this please see **Section 4. Organizations** (below). IRHS Officers are chosen based on a rigorous application process, student votes, and an anonymous Staff Advisory Board.

The secondary method of student leadership within 1082 is through the following leadership positions:

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| 1. Lovejoy Robotics Supply Manager | 3. Lovejoy Robotics Safety Manager |
| 2. Lovejoy Robotics Equipment Manager | 4. Lovejoy Robotics Team Leaders |

- These leadership positions will be open to students of any grade level and experience.
- Each one of these positions requires a commitment of the entire school year and leaders can be dismissed at any time for a failure to follow the Lovejoy Robotics Handbook.
- The coaches will be the only ones interviewing, assessing and choosing the leaders. The dates and methods to apply will be communicated in a variety of ways.
- Members may not apply for a leadership position if they were on academic/discipline probation before tryouts.
- Should a student leader exceed 16 or more DQ Points, they will be removed from their leadership position.

Every student leader in 1082 is held to the same standards as the other students, except there are higher expectations on positive behavior, time commitment in The Lab after school, and attendance of tournaments. Ideal candidates are students who have a passion for encouraging, helping and supporting others. Team leaders (team captains) especially must be focused individuals who strive in team environments, strong communicators and able to uplift others no matter the circumstances. All leaders are called to be servant leaders who strive to promote harmony and excellence in 1082.

4. Organizations

Robotics Education & Competition Foundation (RECF) - roboticseducation.org/about-us

The RECF is the non-profit overseer of the VEX Robotics Competition. They also manage/run the robotevents.com website where we register teams for tournaments. The 1082 robotevents.com account is run by Coach Strickland. The RECF is important in the event/tournament aspect of VEX Robotics, and also the volunteers, [code of conduct](#), [student-centered focus](#), and more. Additionally, the RECF manages a volunteer training/certification process and requires all EP's (Event Partners, AKA: tournament hosts) to be background checked through [Sterling Volunteers](#).

International Robotics Honor Society (IRHS) - [click here to learn more](#)

The International Robotics Honor Society (IRHS) was created, and is maintained/run, by the RECF. IRHS is a separate part of the Lovejoy Robotics experience and therefore will not be explained in this handbook. For more info on the Lovejoy High School chapter of IRHS, led by Coach Strickland, please reach out via email to joshua_strickland@lovejoyisd.net. Similar to LHS's chapter of NHS, the IRHS chapter is for students grades 11-12 who meet specific criteria and apply. Students in 10th grade are invited to apply in the spring semester. Current officers can be found [here](#).

VEX Robotics - vexrobotics.com/support/get-started

VEX Robotics is the company that produces, sells and supports the items used to build robots and run tournaments for the VEX Robotics Competition. VEX also maintains and runs the Game Design Committee (GDC).

Technology Student Association (TSA) - texastsa.org/vex-robotics/

LHS is still evaluating if we will take part in TSA's VEX Robotics competition this year. The determination will be shared later in the school year.

University Interscholastic League (UIL) - uiltexas.org/academics/stem/robotics

Qualifying teams will be invited to participate in the 5A UIL State Championship event based on their performance in qualifier meets. See **Section 10. 5A UIL State Championship** for more information on how determination is made.

5. Robotics Program Basics

1. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must WANT to be a cooperative team member. A candidate must be willing to accept constructive criticism that will help them achieve success.
2. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must understand that it is a privilege, not a right, to be on a team. Team member/roster changes cannot be made by students, only by coaches. Coaches have the right to hold members to a higher standard than average students.
3. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must understand that age/grade level, or past season team placement, does not equal which team/tier they will be placed on. Teams and rosters are chosen after hours of careful consideration and with all students abilities, potential growth and best interests in mind. At any point in the season Coach Strickland may choose to move a student from one team to another and the Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must understand and be willing to follow the team placement with positivity. Students are welcome to schedule a meeting with Coach Strickland to discuss their team placement.
4. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must be willing to abide by rules and follow directions from the coaches, IRHS Officers and any other adult volunteers/chaperones the robotics coaches appoint for a certain time.
5. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must demonstrate responsibility at all times.
6. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must be good at collaboration and have the ability to work with others in a fast paced, and sometimes stressful, team environment. Communication is a necessary skill.
7. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must be willing to participate in fundraising projects.
8. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must understand that any decision made by the Head Coach or Assistant Coach is in the best interest of the team.
9. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must have excellence as their goal and understand that the schedule and discipline of a robotics team member demands a high degree of determination, hard work, time commitment, dedication, self-discipline, and loyalty to the team concept.
10. A Lovejoy Robotics Team Member must have a desire to cooperate – to be “one of the group.” Individuals that selfishly take too much control away from others and make the robot all about their ideas do not fit within our cooperative, team-focused program.

6. Practice Expectations

**Note: At all times, the [VRC Game Manual](#), [RECF Student-Centered Policy](#) and [RECF Code of Conduct](#) will act as official addendums to this document, the 2023-2024 Robotics Handbook. <S> rules contained herein refer to Safety Rules, and <G> rules refer to General Rules, both of which are found in the VRC Game Manual.*

Safety Rules [in alignment with the VEX Game Manual]

<S1> Follow all safety rules, guidelines, and expectations.

- A. Students using cutting power tools are required to look all around themselves to ensure there are no students or materials in the way, and students using said power tool must communicate to the surrounding area so that others standing nearby can be notified.
- B. Students are required to wear safety goggles when utilizing power tools.
- C. Stay in The Lab. If you need a break, students may go to vending machines or the bathroom as well as utilize B119 or B117 as long as no meeting is taking place. Students can also have a very quiet meeting after school in the hallway as long as they are not disturbing any math classes where tutoring/retesting occurs. Students may not aimlessly roam the campus *after school* while robotics lab time/practice is occurring. Students may never exit out of the exterior doors in B119 or B121 unless the coaches give permission (like for loading a bus).
 - a. At the end of practice (lab time) students may exit out of the B117 door to the exterior.
- D. Students may never open the exterior doors in B117, B119 or B121 if there is someone outside knocking or saying they need to be let in. There is no ability to know exactly who is on the other side. Only Coach Strickland or Coach Wolf may open the exterior doors, or give permission for doors to be opened for robotics purposes.

<S2> Students must be accompanied by an approved LISD staff member or approved, background-checked adult volunteer.

There can never be a time when students are in The Lab, B112, B117, B119, B121 or anywhere on campus for robotics activities without an adult present.

<S3> Robots that are activated, in motion or are being driven are required to stay inside the field.

- A. VEX-built robots are only allowed to be used for the purposes contained in the VEX Robotics Competition: Over Under Game Manual. Unauthorized use of robots, such as transforming a robot into a projectile launcher to launch sharpened axles, is strictly forbidden.
- B. If a student wants to build a robot that does something outside the purpose, spirit and scope of the Over Under VRC game, then the student needs to get approval in writing from Coach Strickland.
 - a. An example of this is a specially built robot for the LISD STEM Fest only.

<S4> Wear safety glasses (eye protection) when running a scrimmage, skills run or match on the fields.

- A. In general, students are required to maintain a heightened sense of safety and professionalism when at the robotics fields, pit tables/workstations, common work areas, etc.

General Rules [in alignment with the VEX Game Manual]

<G1> Treat everyone with respect at all times.

Everything documented in the RECF Code of Conduct, as outlined here:

<https://roboticseducation.org/documents/2019/08/recf-code-of-conduct.pdf>, shall be considered as an official addendum to this document, the 2023-2024 Lovejoy Robotics Handbook. Violations of <G1> or the RECF Code of Conduct will be taken very seriously and could result in dismissal from the program entirely.

- A. At all times students will conduct themselves with respect, graciousness and support to students and teams that are struggling, whether this is during practice or afterwards.
- B. Students and teams are not allowed to strategize/plan on “throwing” a match, or doing anything at all to affect the outcome of a fellow 1082 match/tournament.
- C. Respect must be given to all students/adults (everyone) no matter if you are at The Lab, LHS/campus, off-site, at home, online, at a different campus/tournament/location, on the bus/SUV, etc.

<G2> **VRC is a student-centered program.** Non-students, such as (but not limited to) teachers, parents, mentors, alumni, etc. are not allowed under any circumstances to build or program a VRC robot. For more details please visit <https://vrc-kb.recf.org/hc/en-us/articles/9654578622487-Student-Centered-Policy> - this policy is required reading for members of Lovejoy Robotics.

- A. The RECF Student-Centered Policy, linked above, shall be considered an official addendum to the 2023-2024 Lovejoy Robotics Handbook. Violations of student-centeredness will be taken very seriously and could result in dismissal from the program entirely.

- B. If you suspect a team or student at LHS is gaining help from a non-student (adult, mentor, coach, teacher, parent, etc) then it is your responsibility to report this to Coach Strickland immediately.

<G3> Use common sense. Common sense can apply to many situations but it should be a guiding principle to the work we do in Lovejoy Robotics.

<G4> The robot must represent the skill level of the team. Each Team must include Drive Team Members, Programmer(s), Designer(s), and Builder(s). No Student may fulfill any of these roles (or other roles not listed) for more than one 1082 VRC Team in a given competition season. Students may have more than one role on the Team, e.g. the Designer may also be the Builder, the Programmer and a Drive Team Member. Helping another 1082 team is allowed but students cannot do the work for them.

- A. Team members may change teams only if approved/required by Coach Strickland. No one else can make roster changes except for the head coach.
- Examples of permissible moves may include, but are not limited to, illness, changing schools, conflicts within a Team, combining/splitting teams, or the promotion/demotion between Lovejoy Robotics tiers (EIT, JV Red, JV Black, Varsity).
 - Examples of strategic moves in Violation of this rule may include, but are not limited to, one Programmer “switching” Teams in order to write the same program for multiple Robots, or one Student writing the Engineering Notebook for multiple Teams.
 - If a Student leaves a Team to join another Team, <G4> still applies to the Students remaining on the previous Team. For example, if a Programmer leaves a Team, then that Team’s Robot must still represent the skill level of the Team without that Programmer. One way to accomplish this would be to ensure that the Programmer teaches or trains a “replacement” Programmer in their absence.
- B. When a Team qualifies for a Championship event (e.g., States, Worlds, etc.) the Students on the Team attending the Championship event are expected to be the same Students on the Team that was awarded the spot. Students can be added as support to the Team, but may not be added as a Drive Team Member or Programmer.
- An exception is allowed if one (1) Drive Team Member and / or one (1) Programmer on the Team cannot attend the event. Coach Strickland can make a single substitution of a Drive Team Member or Programmer for the Championship event with another Student, even if that Student has competed on a different Team. This Student will now be on this new Team and may not substitute back to the original Team.

Additional Practice Rules and Attendance

- Commit the time to fulfill your job duties and make a positive impact**
 - Students are responsible for maintaining a healthy balance of family, life, faith, health, school work, etc... and then the expectation is that students carve out time outside of school to commit to being in The Lab to practice with their teams and work on the robot. Students are required to coordinate shared times before school and after school in which they can all work as often as they’re able.
 - If Team Members are not able to commit adequate time (as determined by Coach Strickland and Coach Wolf on a case by case basis) to properly engage with their team and make a positive impact, then the coaches will first seek to improve the situation through positive encouragement and intervention.
 - If improvements are not made in a timely manner, the coaches will investigate, assess and determine if said team member will be moved to a new team (lower tier), placed on probation or dismissed from the team and program due to their lack of time commitment to their team and the robotics program.
- When in The Lab, you are required to:**
 - Focus on work** - Treat your time in The Lab as if you are on a job site, working in a legitimate career. See **<S1C>** for more details.
 - Limit distractions**, put away phones if they’re not needed for robotics work.
 - Any requests to put away an electronic device by a coach/leader must be followed.
 - Communicate proposed changes to the team** and seek/gain permission before taking on changes.
 - Violations to this rule will result in probation or other disciplinary action.
 - Be mindful of your surroundings and team property.**
 - Students may not touch, mess with or alter other students/teams work, parts, mechanisms, robots, etc. This applies to robotics things as well as other class projects sometimes found in B117/B119/B121. No student may look through a team's toolbox or take parts from any other table aside from their own team table.
 - Clean** your workstation table, cabinets, tool box, floor area AND your assigned section in The Lab. Mondays will be the officially scheduled and recurring day each week that cleaning takes place by all teams. It is the responsibility of all students/teams to clean each day of the week, not only on Mondays.
 - Food** is not allowed in B119 or B121 at any time unless the coaches give permission. The only drink a student can bring in to B119/B121 is bottled water, or water in a sealed container.

Part & Robot Checkout

1. No parts, robots, materials or tools will ever be taken off LHS property or taken home from an off site event without the coach's permission
2. In the event that parts, materials, the robot or other items approved by a coach are checked out, students must fill out the [Material Checkout Form](#), which is located on the 1082 Site (online) and also at Coach Strickland's desk in B121 via QR code.
3. Once the Google Form is completed, it is the student's responsibility to show the "confirmation message" to Coach Strickland before they leave for the day
4. Students are responsible for any lost items or damages caused and will need to replace items lost or damaged by paying in full the current cost of the items as found on the vexrobotics.com online store, or other applicable store.

Cleaning Expectations

1. Everyone is responsible for The Lab (B117/B119/B121). We are all required to do our part to help.
2. Workstations must be 90% cleaned off, and floors swept, after **every** work session.
3. At the end of each work session, students need to store all remaining parts left on their table in the designated Sort Box until the following day when more part utilization/building or sorting can occur.
4. Parts/mechs in progress need to be stored in the teams tool box at the end of a work session or in the designated Robot/Work In Progress Storage Cabinets. Your teams Sort Box should be stored with the robot/toolbox.
5. Team tool boxes must always be stored in their assigned area when not in use.
6. The "Cleaning Section" assigned to your team must be fully cleaned by the end of each Monday (designated cleaning day).. which means sweep, throw away trash, parts sorted away that fell on floor, chairs pushed in, and the general walkway near you swept. To maintain cleanliness it is highly recommended for teams to check their "Cleaning Section" daily to keep things from accumulating.
7. Teams may not place decorations on their workstations unless approved by the coaches.
8. Use upper cabinets on workstations to store important team items directly related to the building, programming project management and notebook keeping of the robot and the team.
9. Team assigned tool boxes must be properly maintained and cleaned/organized once a week on Mondays.
10. Teams will follow the Cleaning Section Schedule (*to be shared later*) and will be assigned an area for 2 weeks at a time. This schedule and the expectations may be updated, and if so will be shared with all team members in a Cleaning Expectations Addendum.

Cleaning Sections (*Numbers 1-7 Correspond with [The Lab Cleaning Map](#) sections*)

1. Check/clean tables in B119 and sweep the floor. Sort away the parts that are found. Report to Coach if any non 1082 students or classes left behind a mess and help to clean/sort the mess. Check on B117 cleanliness.
2. Check/sweep the floors in B121 around the workstations, Coach Strickland's desk, and the wall with the CNC and Plaser. Leave the workstation tables alone, the assigned team is responsible.
3. Sweep floor around the wall of part drawers, check the drawers for consistency and report to the coaches if there are issues. Help fix unsorted/messed up drawers.
4. Clean off the elevated VEX field, sort parts away, sweep/sort away parts around perimeter of the field. Check and clear walkways.
5. Clean off the low VEX field, sort parts away, sweep/sort away parts around perimeter of the field. Check and clear walkways.
6. Help to sort tools into the correct drawers. Sweep the floor around the area and put things away where they belong. Check the garage door area for cleanliness.
7. Ensure the following are in good condition and their areas are cleaned: chop saw, grinding wheel, mounted vise, belt sander, drill press, band saw. Ensure eye protection/safety glasses/face shields, gloves and ear protection are in place. Clean the tabletop where power tools are and sweep the floor. Ensure all batteries for power tools are charging and organized.

7. Tournament Expectations and Attendance

**Note: Every rule/expectation outlined in SECTION 4 (above) and in the VRC Game Manual, RECF Student-Centered Policy and RECF Code of Conduct still applies to tournaments/events in addition to what is outlined below.*

LHS Hosted Tournaments (Home Tournaments)

1. We (the organization/coaches) will publish the dates of our home events as far in advance as possible.
2. All students in 1082 are required to plan on helping with setup the day before and in the 4 hours after the tournament is officially over.
3. It will be Coach Strickland's decision which LHS/1082 teams attend the home tournaments. If your team is not competing then you are expected to volunteer at the tournament.
4. When in attendance at a home tournament, students will treat all volunteers, coaches, visiting teams and spectators with the utmost respect at all times, no matter the situation. It is even more important than normal to be on one's best behavior at our home tournaments because we want to...
 - a. Represent our district, community and 1082 the best way we can.
 - b. Be such gracious, welcoming and nice hosts that teams want to return every year.
 - c. Provide a positive environment to our volunteers to help encourage them to serve again.

Attendance & Criteria for Coaches to Choose Which Teams Attend

1. The Coaches of Lovejoy Robotics will assess teams for Home AND Away tournament attendance based on the following criteria:
 - a. Engineering Notebook Score [Rubric found on pg. 38 of the [RECF Judges Guide](#)]
 - b. Team Interview Score [Rubric found on pg. 39 of the [RECF Judges Guide](#)]
 - c. Driver + Autonomous Coding Score [Details found on pg. 100 of the [VRC Over Under Game Manual](#)]
 - d. 15-second Auton Routine Capability . . [Details found on pg. 33 of the [VRC Over Under Game Manual](#)]
2. The Coaches will then use this data to compare against all other 1082 teams to assess which teams will be chosen for certain tournaments. This will be referred to as "Competition Readiness" and will be assessed every 2 weeks. A team may request updated Competition Readiness scores only for their own team upon request once a week. To do this a team needs to schedule a meeting with the coaches.
3. Teams selected to attend a tournament based on scheduling, competition readiness and Coach Strickland's assessment will do everything in their power to attend with every team member.
 - a. When a team is made aware of a tournament on their schedule, the students will fill out the **Tournament Attendance Survey** Google Form, which Coach Strickland will post as a QR code above his desk/B121.
 - b. For away tournaments, in the unlikely event that the number of students attending a tournament exceeds the number of seats on the school-provided bus, the seats on the bus will be reserved for the drive team members of the teams attending (3 per team only) and then will be allocated on a first come first serve basis based on the responses to the *Tournament Attendance Survey* Google Form.

Away Tournaments/Events

1. No students will travel to a tournament unless all necessary trip forms and emergency forms have been completed and given to Coach Strickland within the designated time frame.
2. It is Coach Strickland's decision, based on *Competition Readiness* data, which teams attend away tournaments.
3. Coach Strickland has the ability to swap a team at any time before a tournament begins without disclosing the reasons why. Sometimes there are situations in which a team needs to drop out and I have to make an informed decision on which team will fill the empty spot. For this reason, teams should always strive to be as ready as they can be despite not being scheduled for a tournament other 1082 teams are attending.
 - a. Teams will find more success if their robot is in a state of *Competition Readiness* more often than not. A working, driveable and functioning robot leads to more driver practice and skills/programming work. This results in better performance when your team has its chance to compete.
4. The number of tournaments a team is likely to compete in for this season is determined by the ratio/sample numbers presented in the Team Tier Organization chart that was created and sent out in May 2023 and can be found [here](#). Tournament counts: Varsity = 8, JV Black = 5, JV Red = 4, EIT = 0

- a. *Be advised we are now in Texas - Region 5, a brand new region to Texas, and due to a number of factors, the number of competitions listed on the Team Tier Organization document may be changed and do not represent a guarantee. Factors such as limited hosts of tournaments may affect season tournament numbers.*
- 5. If you arrive at school later than the team's scheduled departure time, we will leave without you.
- 6. Students that are competing are never allowed to drive themselves to or from an away event/tournament unless written permission is granted from Coach Strickland and is also approved by an LHS Principal. These situations are rare and should not be requested unless absolutely necessary.
- 7. Students scheduled to compete will always travel to and home from tournaments together with everyone since we are one team, and a large focus is on building relationships/camaraderie, team cohesiveness, and being united.
- 8. In the event there is a special situation where a parent, legal guardian, or other approved family member needs to drive/travel with their student to or from a tournament/event, permission must be obtained a week or more in advance by Coach Strickland. The [Lovejoy ISD Robotics Alternate Transportation Release Form](#) will need to be printed and signed by parents and then given to Coach Strickland before the tournament. If permission is approved, students may only ride with a parent/family member. A student may not ride with a friend/teammate's parent due to liability. Additional questions on this policy can be directed to Coach Strickland.

Tournament Expectations for Both Home and Away

1. Students are responsible for following all school, bus/transportation and robotics policies while at robotics events and tournaments and are subject to disciplinary action if not followed.
2. **Before, during, and/or immediately after a robotics match students will:**
 - a. Be nice and respectful to opponents and alliance partners no matter what.
 - i. No team members will approach the drive box to critique or speak disrespectfully towards any driver or any team members associated with the match.
 - b. Maintain positive body language and positive language.
 - c. If you are late to your match apologize to the teams and the referee/volunteers. It is always the team's responsibility to be in the right place at the right time, blame can never be placed on judges, referees or other volunteers. If you think someone or something caused you to be late to a match, take it up with Coach Strickland or Coach Wolf.
 - d. Strive to win. No team is allowed to "throw" a match. Throwing a match can be grounds for all team members to be placed on probation, moved to a lower tier within 1082, and can result in a G1 violation where a team could be DQ'd from an entire tournament.
 - e. Say something positive at the end of the match to opponents and your alliance partner such as "Good game" or "That was a great match. You all did really well." AND give a physical affirming high-five, fist bump or hand-shake (or something similar).
 - i. Remember that judges/volunteers/other teams and the audience are watching your actions and attitudes. Gaining a strong alliance partner during the elimination bracket could depend on how you react to a match and how you treat others.
 - f. Speak professionally/respectfully if you need to talk to a volunteer/referee. Maintain calm, steady-paced words. Do not talk overly fast, yell, or get agitated. Maintain your cool when making a case with the head referee and be ready to cite the specific rule from the game manual or Official Q and A.
 - i. The maximum number of LHS students that can be in the drive box is 3 per team.
 - ii. Teams may not ask a 4th team member to run in to the drive box to give advice on a referee ruling.
 - iii. Teams may not ask an adult nearby for advice on a ruling while still at the field. Students are the ones that speak with the referees and advocate on behalf of the team.
3. We will clean up after ourselves at all tournaments/events and on all modes of transportation.
4. We will never verbally criticize other students, coaches, teams, schools, tournaments, or tournament hosts. Always be positive and supportive of other students and teams, as well as the facility. If you have a legitimate concern, please find a coach to share it. Always be respectful of the bus drivers and other tournament personnel.
5. If you're done (out of the elim. bracket or simply done with a qualification match), you should be watching other matches to find ways you can improve for next time, or you can find helpful work at your pit table, scouting/networking, or supporting/cheering for others. There is always something to learn, work on and improve!
6. You cannot leave tournaments prior to your entire team finishing unless previously approved before the tournament by Coach Strickland or Coach Wolf.
7. At the awards ceremony we will sit together as an organization (all teams sit together) and clap for everyone. No sulking, no public displays of frustration, only positive congratulations for any and all award recipients. If your team receives an award, all students of that team must go to receive it and smile for a picture.

- a. Awards, whether trophies or paper certificates, must be treated with honor and given to Coach Strickland to display in The Lab upon return to LHS. No awards may be kept outside of LHS.
- 8. **Adhere to Lovejoy Robotics tournament dress code, which is:**
 - a. Follow standard LISD/LHS Dress Code Policy found in the [Student Handbook Addendum 2023-2024](#)
 - b. Lovejoy Robotics team shirt **with sponsor logos on the back**
 - i. Teams may wear an alternative Lovejoy Robotics team shirt if prior permission is given by the coaches
 - c. Pants are preferred but shorts are OK. Shorts must be an appropriate length. Pockets are helpful if you're on a drive team or are a builder. If your pants/shorts can accommodate a belt, wear one.
 - d. Wear closed-toed shoes that are comfortable and well-suited for walking, running and standing.
 - e. Hair needs to be presentable and out of your face for when judges conduct team interviews.
 - i. If you have long hair then please be mindful and wear your hair up if needed. Getting hair stuck in gears and other mechanisms can cause damage, pain and unnecessary frustration and time lost.

8. Overnight Trips

Overnight trips will be planned and approved by the coaches and LISD/LHS administration. Everything contained in this Robotics Handbook will still apply on overnight trips, along with the following rules and regulations:

1. Students may only bring luggage that you can carry to and from the bus in ONE trip.
2. On the bus/mode of transportation, coaches and designated parent chaperones are to be respected at all times.
3. Students are required to travel with the team to and from the event unless there are extenuating circumstances and permission is granted from Coach Strickland in advance. Coach Strickland will need to be notified as far in advance as possible because he will then need to seek permission from LHS administration and possibly LISD administration.
4. Students may not travel to a tournament or robotics competition to represent 1082 or Lovejoy Robotics without the written permission and approval of Coach Strickland and LHS Administration.
5. On overnight trips students will hold themselves to a higher standard of behavior. Any actions of misbehavior that Coach Strickland or Wolf deem inappropriate or disruptive, in alignment with this handbook and the LHS/LISD Student Code of Conduct, will result in disciplinary action such as, but not limited to: being sat out of the tournament, probation, being sent home (or parents sent to pick you up), ISS/OSS, and/or removal from the Lovejoy Robotics program.
6. When students are not at the tournament, they are required to stay in the place in which the coach has told them to stay. For example, if the team has returned to the hotel, students may not leave the hotel without the permission of Coach Strickland.
 - a. When it is "Quiet Time" students will be required to stay in their rooms and not exit for any reason.
 - b. When it is "Lights Out" time students will be required to stop and go to bed. Rest is very important to the team's success and for overall safety while traveling.
 - c. Sneaking out of a hotel room, or from another place where a student was asked to remain, is grounds for immediate probation or dismissal from the program.
 - d. Students will not leave their hotel room to go and meet a food delivery person, or any other person, without the permission and supervision of the coaches.
 - e. No refunds will be issued if a student is sent home, or required to be picked up by parents/legal guardians.

9. Signature Events

Background Information

"REC Foundation Signature Events give students the opportunity to play at a "World Class" tournament that provides a special and unique team experience. Signature Events have a level of technical expertise, production value, and overall event quality that is above and beyond that of a standard tournament. The mission of these events is to provide more opportunities for teams that may or may not typically attend Event Region Championships or the World Championship to experience an event of that level. Signature Events that meet the necessary requirements can qualify teams directly to the VEX Robotics World Championships. These events rely on the dedication of Event Partners who provide these "World Class" experiences for teams." - taken from the *RECF Website*, read more [here](#)

*Note: Every expectation/rule regarding Overnight Trips apply to Signature Events as well.

How 1082 Teams are Chosen

1. Due to Signature Events being posted very quickly after the World Championship ends and the new season has begun, such as June and July, it is important that Coach Strickland identifies which 1082 teams are being assessed and chosen to go to a Signature Event as early as possible.
 - For example, VEX Worlds for Spin Up (school year/season 2022-2023) occurred April 25-27, 2023. Knowing Signature Events opened quickly afterwards Coach Strickland analyzed data on all 1082 teams and made a decision on who would attend around May 25, 2023.
2. Coach Strickland and Coach Wolf are the only ones who can assess a team's readiness to travel to a Signature Event and are the sole decision-makers in all things relating to team planning and attendance of a Signature Event. No team is guaranteed a spot at a Signature Event until all trip costs have been paid. If payments have not been submitted, Coach Strickland can still withdraw a team's admittance to go to a Signature Event. Attending these types of events is a privilege, not a right.
3. The primary factors for the decision of which teams will attend a Signature Event will be as follows:
 - Behavior, number of times students on potential teams have been placed on probation.
 - Team success at the previous season's VEX Worlds, Regional Championship and other notable tournaments (including local ones).
 - i. Success will be defined by metrics such as awards, elim bracket finish, qual/skills rank, WP%, etc
 - Number of students remaining on the team. *Roster continuation is important.*
 - Quality of engineering notebook from last season, including factors such as the # of notebook awards won and the # of notebook keepers that are staying on the team for the new year.
 - Varsity/JV/EIT status.

10. 5A UIL State Championship

Background Information

The VEX Robotics Competition (VRC) is newly added and recognized by [Texas UIL](#). The Texas UIL VEX Robotics Representative established in 2023 that teams can only qualify for UIL State if they receive the Tournament Finalist or Tournament Championship award at a local tournament. The Texas UIL VEX Robotics Representative then established that it is at the high school coach's decision which teams attend based on the qualification guidelines and the event capacity. Typically the capacity is 2 teams from a high school. If any changes occur to the UIL Event or its qualification criteria, an update will be emailed to all parents and posted to SportsYou. Typically UIL State occurs in February or March and is located in Houston.

How 1082 Teams are Chosen

1. Teams will be chosen for the 5A UIL Championship as soon as possible to properly plan for travel arrangements. The coaches will not make a decision until after the October 21st LHS Tournament but most likely it will be decided around late November/early December.
2. Data from tournaments that will be considered:
 - WP (Win Point) and AWP (Auton Win Point) percentage
 - Driver and Autonomous Coding skills score
 - Qualification Ranking
 - Alliance Seed/Rank
 - How you end at the tournament in the elimination bracket
3. In The Lab:
 - Team demonstrates strong and consistently high scoring AWP and 15-sec auton routines
 - Team is consistently putting in a lot of time and effort
 - Team cohesion, teamwork, team dynamics all going well

11. Regional Championship

LHS Robotics teams will compete in Region 5 (previously Region 2, but Region 2 was split into two and now we are Region 5). By winning tournaments and winning top awards, our 1082 teams will qualify for the Region 5 Championship, which is typically held in early March (often on the first or final Saturday of Spring Break). Attending the Regional Championship is a huge honor and should be taken very seriously. Teams compete at the Regional Championship (sometimes referred to as “State” or “Region 5 State”) and can qualify to the VEX Robotics World Championship through meeting the Qualifying Criteria posted by the RECF and the EP of Region 5 State. More info on this will be shared with the LHS Robotics Community via parent email and posting to SportsYou once more details are known.

12. World Championship

LHS Robotics teams will strive to qualify for the VEX Robotics World Championship (VEX Worlds) and if they qualify, all efforts will be made to accommodate their registration and travel to Worlds to compete. It is possible parents/students will need to fundraise or contribute to the cost. No hotel stays will be planned for by Lovejoy Robotics/LHS while VEX Worlds is hosted in Dallas. More information on policies, guidelines and expectations from Coach Strickland, the Lovejoy Robotics Booster Club and LHS/LISD pertaining to VEX Worlds 2024 will be sent via email and SportsYou upon the qualification of teams to VEX Worlds.

13. Academic Eligibility

1. All members are expected to follow the UIL eligibility calendar and be academically eligible as per UIL regulations in order to participate fully in Lovejoy Robotics.
2. If a member becomes ineligible, they will still attend all practice times in The Lab that they can.
3. Academically ineligible members may not attend robotics competitions, or travel with the team to an event.
4. If a student fails a class on a report card they are on competition probation for at least 3 weeks.
5. Coach Strickland has the authority to extend the academic competition-probation if needed to ensure a team member has fully caught up in their classes.

14. Violations/Probation/Dismissal

Hazing

Lovejoy ISD School Board Policy prohibits hazing. There will be no hazing or initiation of new members (including officers). Anyone engaging in these activities (even hazing others who are NOT on Lovejoy Robotics) falls under the district’s policy for extracurricular code of conduct and disciplinary action will be taken.

OFI’s (Opportunity For Improvement)

Discipline is essential for a competitive robotics team program to run properly. In order for Lovejoy Robotics to function in this manner, the organization will operate on a merit and demerit system which will officially be known as the OFI (Opportunity for Improvement) and OFR (Opportunity for Rebuilding Trust) system. The term/phrase **Opportunity for Improvement** will be used to represent a student’s negative behavior/actions, in accordance with the Lovejoy Robotics Handbook, and the discussion of “*how can we improve our actions*”. It is the coaches decision to issue an OFI based on the situation and in accordance with LISD/LHS policies and student expectations.

OFI’s will be issued to students as a consequence for actions in violation of the policies listed in this handbook. An OFI can be given to a student for behavior which occurs on campus, off campus, online, etc. and will be assigned a point value as listed below in the table.

1. Only the coaches are allowed to issue OFI's.
2. OFI's will be kept confidential and tracked by the coaches only.
3. The OFI/OFR system will be in effect beginning after the all-student 1082 meeting on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, and continuing throughout the school year
4. Each team member, when applicable, is responsible for asking the coaches how many OFI's they have.
5. If deemed necessary, the coaches will report infractions to LHS administration for follow up on consequences.

OFI's: A member of 1082 will receive an OFI for the following:

**Note: this list is not exhaustive and other OFI's can be given for infractions not on the list below as long as they are given with uniformity and without bias and focused on the rules/expectations listed in the handbook.*

Opportunity For Improvement	OFI Point Value
Failure to return/complete assigned tasks, items, materials on time	1+ (per day late)
Taking parts/materials/robots from The Lab without filling out the Material Checkout Form	1
Taking parts from another team's workbench or toolbox (without permission)	3+
"Hole counting" (exact copying) the build, code or notebook from another team/student	5
Disrespect towards student leaders (IRHS officers, team captains, or other 1082 Leaders/Managers)	1
Failure to communicate	1
Damaging materials or improper use of materials	1+ (based on severity)
Causing a mess, or not cleaning up the assigned section of The Lab	1+ (per day messy)
Unsafe behavior	1+ (based on severity)
Disrespectful/rude communication (verbal/nonverbal/written/online/etc) or behavior	3
Poor attitude during practice/lab hours/competition (this includes being disruptive in the lab)	1
Using profanity (any words you would not speak to a head ref/coach/parent volunteer)	1-4
Inappropriate public display of affection (PDA) at school/Lovejoy Robotics activity	2-4
Having the incorrect team shirt on the day of a tournament	1
Talking/disruptive behavior during an official training, presentation, guest speaker, etc	2
Being in The Lab (B117, B119, B121) when your teacher didn't give permission to leave class	2
Being in The Lab (B117, B119, B121) when no approved adult is present to supervise	3
Leaving a tournament or other designated event early without permission	4
Unexcused absence from a tournament, or other event where attendance is required	5
Gaming or other un-helpful tech use at a tournament/practice without coach's permission	1
Receiving ISS or OSS	8-12

OFR's (Opportunity for Rebuilding { Trust }):

1. Students will have the opportunity to earn OFR's to erase OFI's. However, OFR's may not be earned until the 1082 team member has reached 16 OFI's (or on Probation).
2. It is the individual's responsibility to ask the head coach how they may earn OFR's.
3. Members are only allowed to work off half of the OFI's received when they have reached a total of 16 and/or probation. *Best case scenario – a member can only reduce their demerit total to 8. Reaching 16 later on would then result in another probation or further disciplinary action.*
4. The coaches will determine how OFR's are earned, common ways include: cleaning, organizing supplies, writing papers, community service, volunteering at a tournament, etc.

Probation & Dismissal:

1. 16 OFI points equals a probation- the situation will be reviewed with Head Coach and Parent(s).
2. At 25 OFI's, the Head Coach, Member, Assistant Principal and Parent(s) will discuss dismissal from the team or, alternatively, the plan to come back from probation
3. The Head Coach, in collaboration with the school's administration, will determine consequences on a case-by-case basis.
4. The following situations are grounds for probation and/or dismissal from the team regardless of OFI Point totals:

POSSIBLE PROBATION/DISMISSAL	
1. Insubordination	9. Suspension from school (ISS or OSS)
2. Repeated failure to follow the Lovejoy Robotics Handbook, RECF Code of Conduct, or LISD/LHS Student Code of Conduct	10. Inappropriate text messages/pictures, online media, social media posts/blogs/bulletins/forums/servers, etc of a 1082 member or by a 1082 member.
3. Academic Dishonesty	11. Forgery/"hole counting" and/or stealing parts/tools/code
4. Excessive misbehavior in school	12. Severe discipline problems in school
5. Excessive absences and/or tardies	13. Continuous failing of classes
6. Disrespectful to any Student Leadership Positions as identified in Section 3.	14. Hazing/Bullying/Teasing others
7. Truancy	15. Alcohol/drug/tobacco use at any time.
8. Disrespect towards coaches, teachers, and/or administrators. (Insubordination)	16. Disrespect towards teammates/1082 organization

Disciplinary Probation:

1. If a member is placed on probation for any reason, the length of probation will be a minimum of 3 weeks.
2. While on probation, if another offense occurs, it may be grounds for dismissal from the team.
3. If a member is placed on probation twice (either first or second semester, or twice in one semester), they may be dismissed from the team.

Dismissal:

Lovejoy Robotics team members must maintain appropriate behavior both in and out of school. Dismissal from the program may occur for reasons including, but not limited to... a.) violation of Lovejoy Robotics Student and Parent Handbook b.) poor time commitment and/or performance c.) violation of the Lovejoy High School Student Handbook when the violation results in in-school suspension, placement in out-of-school suspension, placement in Alternative Education Center, and/or expulsion to the DAEP. Students do not have to be placed on probation first before they are dismissed if LHS administration approves the dismissal. If a Lovejoy Robotics team member is removed/dismissed from the program for any reason during the year, any financial balance that the member has will need to be paid immediately following removal from the team. (This includes trip/field trip money. Refunds will NOT be available.)

Disabilities/504/IEP:

1. If your child has a 504 or IEP, please let us know so we can work on providing appropriate accommodations for your student.

15. Letter Jackets

Requirements to Letter in Robotics

1. You must be on a robotics team for the entirety of the robotics season (students who for some reason join after the start of the school year will be considered on a case by case basis). You cannot “quit” robotics and still letter in robotics. Note: Earning a letterman jacket may be denied based on a student’s attendance, behavior and the number of times on probation.
2. You can qualify and “earn” your letterman jacket patch by your team qualifying for the Region 5 Championship through winning any of the following awards at a local or signature VRC (VEX Robotics Competition) event :
 - o Excellence Award
 - o Skills Champion
 - o Tournament Champion
 - o Design Award
3. Note: Simply qualifying for the Region 5 Championship by your team achieving a skills score high enough that you qualify to the Region 5 State Championship is not eligibility for lettering in robotics.

16. Coach Communication

Parents and/or Lovejoy Robotics Team Members should address their concerns with the head coach before contacting a school administrator. Just as with any class, the teacher should be contacted first and allowed to address the issue. If the concern is not addressed to the satisfaction of the student or parent, then contacting an administrator is encouraged.

Concerns can be emailed to the Robotics Head Coach (joshua_strickland@lovejoyisd.net) and the Robotics Assistant Coach (ted_wolf@lovejoyisd.net). To ensure the quickest response and solution to a concern/problem, you may email both coaches at the same time. SportsYou is also available as the LISD approved app where communication is done between students and parents. Parents and students are encouraged to use this medium as much as possible.

Meeting in person with the coaches may be arranged during the coaches’ conference period Monday – Friday. If a concern arises when school is not in session (summer or holidays), you may email the Head Coach. Coach Strickland will return emails as soon as possible; however, accessibility to the coach will be limited during these times. Parents will not contact a Lovejoy Robotics Team Captain or an IRHS Officer regarding a concern. All parent concerns must be addressed with the coaches. Please contact the coaches through school email or school telephone when possible, contacting Coach Strickland via personal phone should only be reserved for very urgent/immediate needs.

For any immediate concerns or emergencies the best number to contact is Coach Strickland’s personal # which will only be shared with parents via email. Students will never be allowed to be given or use the phone number of a coach for any purpose no matter the circumstance. The reason why Coach Strickland’s personal # is being given is that there are many times the coach is monitoring and moving in between B117, B119 and B121, and given the movement and noise level, the cell phone can be a much more reliable method for after school practices rather than the classroom phone.

The coaches will make every effort to return your email, sportsYou message/comment or call by the following school day.

The principal assigned to oversee Lovejoy Robotics for the 2023-2024 school year is Mrs. Heather Bosworth - heather_bosworth@lovejoyisd.net

17. Lovejoy Robotics Student and Parent Handbook Changes

1. The handbook is subject to change at any time due to Texas Education Agency rule changes, or with approval from LHS Administration. Any changes made will be communicated to parents and students.
2. If needed, the head coach may update this handbook in alignment with LISD policies.
3. Changes will be communicated to parents and students.
4. The coaches may enforce other rules, as they become necessary during the school year, for the benefit of the organization. Changes will be communicated to parents and students.

18. Parent Involvement and Responsibilities

1. Parents must give their permission for their student to fulfill all the responsibilities of being a member of a Lovejoy Robotics Team before they can be officially accepted.
2. Parents must be willing to meet all financial obligations involved in having their student as a robotics team member. All payments are final. Once the team fee is paid or items are ordered – there will be no reimbursements/refunds.
3. Parents are responsible for arranging transportation to and from all activities, except when transportation is provided by the school district.
4. Parents are encouraged to participate in various Booster Club activities and fundraisers. These fundraisers help defray the cost for each member of the Lovejoy Robotics program.
5. Parents must be willing to cooperate with the coaches and keep them informed of dates that might conflict with robotics team activities.

Lovejoy Robotics Booster Club

Our robotics teams cannot enjoy the success that we have had without the help of our parents and community sponsors. We love and need parental help! We need judges, chaperones, volunteers, referees, organizers etc. We would love for you to sign up to help when/where you can.

For more information please visit lovejoyrobotics.com/boosterclub or email boosterclub@lovejoyrobotics.com

Current Lovejoy Robotics Booster Club Officers and Board Members:

BOARD POSITION	NAME
President	Christy Forte'
1st Vice President, Volunteers	Tina Whitfill
2nd Vice President, Tournaments	Nicole Helfand
Secretary	Tedra Johnson
Treasurer	Lyca Bognot
Communication	Andrea Cazares
Fundraising	Justin Frauman
Hospitality	Amy Coughlin
Membership	Lisa O'Dowd
Spirit Wear	Chantel Arnett
Travel	Patti Dillon

*Note: The Lovejoy Robotics Booster Club (legal name: LHS Xtreme Engineering) is part of Lovejoy Leopards, Inc. (LLI) a 501(c)(3) EIN: 20-5361354

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Agreement to Lovejoy Robotics (1082) Team Policies

[*The initials in this section are for the student only - Both student AND parent need to sign at the bottom*]

_____ I acknowledge I have read this handbook in its entirety and agree to abide by its guidelines.

_____ I understand I must attend practices/lab hours and tournaments outside of the normal school day to maintain status as a member of a team. Failing to do so, or failure to work out schedule conflicts with the coaches and the assigned 1082 team, will result in probation or dismissal from the program.

_____ I am aware that an activity fee of **\$175** will need to be made to the Lovejoy Robotics Booster Club no later than Friday, August 25, 2023 . I acknowledge that not paying by the stated deadline could result in probation or dismissal from the Lovejoy Robotics program.

_____ I understand that if I have to drop from a tournament that I have already committed to compete in, and it involves a per student cost, then I will still be responsible for my share of the cost.

_____ I understand that robots, code, designs/mechanisms, engineering notebooks, etc. contain material that could be proprietary, secret, or highly specialized intellectual property. I understand the expectation to never copy code, "hole count" (direct copy) a robot design, take an up close picture or video of a robot / mechanism / code / notebook or anything remotely similar to these things without permission from the entirety of said team. Failure to follow this expectation will result in disciplinary action.

_____ I understand that I will be held to a high standard, as outlined in the Lovejoy Robotics Student and Parent Handbook, for both my on campus and off-campus actions, behaviors and communications.

I have read and discussed the specifics of this handbook with my parent/guardian. I agree to follow the expectations associated with my membership in Lovejoy Robotics. I also understand that I have an obligation to follow all school policies for extra-curricular activities. I thoroughly understand that violation of any team and/or school policies can, and most likely will, result in my suspension or removal from the team/program.

Student Printed Name and Signature: _____ / _____ Date: _____

I have read all the guidelines and have discussed them with my student. My child has my approval to participate in the Lovejoy Robotics program at LHS for the 2023-2024 school year. Furthermore, I thoroughly understand the expectations of parental responsibilities and involvement in the program.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email address: _____

Please return this form to The Lab signed no later than Friday, August 25th.

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