The Freedom for Creativity

I was expecting another boring schedule of the similar schedules I had in Middle school. Band and Spanish constantly took up my electives, and I had no option for taking different classes. A good friend of mine invited me to joining robotics as an introduction to high school after school activities.

“Oh, robotics…I don’t know anything about technology…” I thought, as I walked into the first meeting. And there I saw in front of me, a VEX robot with omni-wheels, conveyer belts, and a great deal of metal. Not only did this pull my interest into robotics, but it also brought up the idea of how freely I can express my ideas for the robot. School classes, always follow a certain curriculum, but designing the robot was completely free for anything! Finally, an opportunity for me to test out my ideas.

After working for an year in the vex competition—going to competitions, working with other teams, learning a bit of programming—I greatly enjoy working with VEX robots, with the freedom I get for putting together the robot. The parts are easy to learn and now I encourage all of my friends to join. Not only does working in teams for VEX competitions improve friendship, but it also provided me with new exciting experiences.