

## Serendipity

Think. Create. Build. Amaze. These are the four words that really stand out to me when I think of my short experience in VEX robotics. It's not just the VEX slogan, it's also the four words that describes what VEX has given me.

Serendipity – is how I would describe why I signed up for robotics. I didn't know what it entailed, other than there will be robots involved. 'A fortunate stroke of serendipity' it has been, everything has been nothing but fun and rewarding. Even the countless hours of building, stress, planning, and being pushed beyond limits towards excellence. Fun has approached me in VEX, in so many different ways imaginable, some that lies with the people that go through it with me, my teammates or the VEX community that I have befriended so easily.

Although VEX hasn't made me rethink my career plans, it has given me something truly special as an aspiring fashion designer – VEX has introduced a different way of thinking, made me believe I can create anything, taught me a different set of skills, and provided me with endless opportunities to amaze and be amazed. I believe, with what I have gained while competing in VEX, I will become one of a kind in my aspiring career.

VEX to me is a platform, a stage for me to think, create, build, and amaze. It has provided me, and I'm certain, so many others, with skills that will help us transform our wildest technological fantasies into reality.