Vex Robotics means learning about the value of good communication to Team 2177, The F.I.V.E. Throughout the past four years, we have had to communicate for the benefit of our team in some very challenging situations. Instead of creating larger conflicts, we have learned to communicate and work through problems. This has strengthened our team and our friendships.

More importantly, communication has helped us effectively play the competitive game of VEX Robotics. We not only communicate within our team at competitions but we also strategize with our partners throughout qualifying matches. After meeting and discussing with alliance partners, we coordinate robot strengths as well as multiple autonomous programs to maximize our cooperation together. These strategies make our communication on the field much easier.

We have also learned how to communicate with the judges in a more effective manner that fits the situation. These improvements have helped us win numerous judged awards including the Excellence Award at the 2012 World Championship.

Communication has also been important to us as we continue to look towards our community for support. We often talk with important business leaders to discuss the value of VEX robotics in our school and our community.

Lastly, by promoting robotics we have improved our communication and presentations skills. We have demonstrated our robot to the general public in our downtown area, at school functions and special events including teaching a group of senior citizens about VEX.

In summary, communication has proven to be important to succeed in VEX.