Vex Robotics, oh what a fantastic thing.

-Everyone ever involved with Vex

I started Vex one year ago in the 6th grade. The two coaches, or tech ed teachers, didn’t sugar coat it. If you got bad grades you’re out. I thought to myself that everyone in here is fine, but as I saw my friends (and not so friends) get kicked out I was determined to stay in. This is just one of the rough things Vex does.

 Vex is also just more than a club, it’s a team where we can be competitive without getting hurt (unless you forget your goggles Rule #1). The competitions show that the most competitive people can be mah nerd peoples. I’m pretty sure that Vex has changed the personalities of my friend and I (Joe) keep calling ourselves nerds and making fun of each other for being nerdier and nerdier. It has also shown in my work, for the better. I found myself doing better and longer work in the classroom after I started and stopped the robotics season.

 As for the part in the Online Challenge section stating- “*Perhaps VEX robotics has made you rethink your career plans, or made you want to study engineering in college, or helped you understand physics better. “*  Yes. All I have to say is yes. If I was doing a quiz I would’ve checked the all of the above box. If I were to have to…….. Ok maybe I went too far. I have a friend whose dad built many buildings in and around the area where I live. I would like to be like him (not just building but building AND designing things).

 Vex has changed my perspective on things. Instead of saying “Oh that’s a horrible building” I say “Wow I could’ve built that better by doing this, this and this”. In the classroom I think that I can write longer, better, more powerful writings. Instead of writing two to three sentences (with the help of my Lang. Arts teacher AND Vex) I write two to three PARAGRAPHS. FREAKING PARAGRAPHS. It hurts me to say this but I am proud of it. Well that’s my Vex story. My non-emotional, terribly written, Vex story.

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