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Girl Power Essay

The first thing that pops into my mind when I hear the phrase “Girl Power” is girls doing something amazing. Whether it is picking up trash at a local park to solving the world's greatest problems. Many people think that a girl would not want to join robotics because it is more like a boy’s domain. When I first joined the school’s robotics team, I told my friends and they thought it was kind of weird because it’s more of a boy thing than a girls. When I met team 4073 B it didn't matter for me of what my friends thought because I had met the nicest teammates. Most of



them were boys and two or three other girls. They accepted every girl in the classroom. There was no bad thoughts towards the idea of girls being in the robotics team. The boys even thought it was cool for girls to want to join the robotics team. A student from the previous year told me that there were more girls in this year than the previous year.

There are 10 girls, including myself, in the 3 robotics teams that are from my school. I am a builder, scout, and cheer (sometimes) in team 4073 B. Most of

the team members are builders too. In the beginning of the year, we all contributed our ideas towards the design of the robot. Every girl in team 4073 B voice was heard. No one discriminated the girls because their design was bad or not good enough. Once we actually had a design for the robot we started to work on it. Me and my partner, another female named Dulce, did research on an idea for the pivot and our team loved it. For me this shows that anyone’s ideas are always accepted, even if you were a girl. That made me feel confident that my team supported me. We all love working together.

Everyday we go into the classroom and we always have a good time while working on the robot.



When we go to tournaments there are usually very few girls and a lot of boys. Since I'm mostly a scout at tournaments, I'm the one who represents our team. I usually go over to our alliance’s pits and ask a few questions about their robot and

strategize for our upcoming match. I notice that there are some teams that are only boys. I am a scout in my team because I usually talk a lot. So my team decided that was a perfect fit for me. I am also a part of the cheering section when I'm not helping out with the robot or scouting. In the cheering section there is all of the girls that came along for the tournament. We not only cheer for ourselves but for other teams too. Most of the time we scream at the top of our lungs. We also use props like pom poms and banners to cheer. We all like to be apart of everything in team 4073 B. When we work on the robot, everyone is doing a little bit of everything. No one sticks to one specific part of the robot because then you don't get to enjoy the rest of the process of building the robot.

Girls in team 4073 B doesn't get discriminated at all. Everyone in our VEX Robotics classroom is accepted in all shapes and sizes. That is a wonderful thing about working with other people, when you first met them as a stranger and then build a friendship with them. That is what each member in our team has built with each other. I hope that each girl in the VEX Robotics community has built a wonderful friendship with their team as I have with mine, and is treated just as equally as girls in team 4073 B.

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