

Team Smart Cookies

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Girl⚡Powered.

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Our
Quote



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Introduction

We are team 96036A the Smart Cookies! This is our first year doing VEX IQ! We are a team made up of two 9 year old girls, one 10 year old girl, and two 11 year old girls. Yes we know, lots of girls :). We enjoy how VEX IQ challenges us and helps us form a better bond and learn new things. We are determined to continue this amazing journey of creativity, thinking, and most importantly FUN and we are proud of all the things that we have achieved! In our first qualifier competition, we earned the judges award and 4th place because of our perseverance and teamwork.

By: Smart Cookies (Riya, Aniera, Aashi, Aadya, and Nikita)



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Our team



Aniera Kaul

My name is Aniera Kaul. I am the Journalist of the team. I'm 9 years old and in 4th grade. Being the journalist of the team, I've learned that you need to be alert and actively asking questions. This is my first year of doing VEX, so I'm super excited!



Riya Jain

My name is Riya Jain. I am 11 years old. I love doing VEX. I am Lead builder and vice journalist. I learned that not everything will always go our way and we need to work our way around this. I feel like VEX IQ really challenges me, and I like it. I really enjoy doing VEX IQ and I hope to continue! My most favorite part is probably the Competition.

Our team



Aashi
Mendiratta

My name is Aashi Mendiratta and I'm 11 years old (5th grade). I'm the lead programmer in our team. I learned that you need a lot of flexibility in a team. Sometimes, while coding, you will experience some problems. I love Vex iq and coding. This is my first year doing Vex, and I love it!!! It's so much fun!!

My name is Aadya Chitoor and I am one of the programmers in our team. Coding interested me when I first started coding on Scratch a couple years ago. I am ten years old and in 4th grade. Vex teaches me about teamwork and STEM. I love coding and building so I'm sure Vex is just for me!



Aadya Chitoor

Our team



My name is Nikita Thakkar and I am 9 years old. I am in fourth grade. I am the vice builder of the team. This is my 3rd year doing robotics and 1st year doing Vex IQ. My favorite part about VEX IQ is the building and problem solving. Some things I learnt is teamwork and cooperation is very important for the success of a team. Some hobbies I have are reading and art.

Nikita Thakkar

What does "Girl Powered" mean to us?

The first thing that comes to mind when we hear "girl powered", is the ability for women and girls of any age and race to do amazing things in every field. Everyone should have an opportunity to achieve whatever they want. In our case, we wanted to have the chance to be included in the STEM field. In addition to this, girls should have confidence, strength, intelligence, and cooperation. Finally, Girls should be supported, not just by other girls but by everyone. We should all be encouraged to live up to our full potential. One thing that was important to us in our team was supporting each other and providing encouragement when things didn't go our way. For example, at our first competition we had to change our wheels at the last minute, because of the size limit. The wheels that we switched to couldn't turn AT ALL., so we provided encouragement to each other saying, "It's ok" "Don't worry" "everything's gonna be alright". We ended up winning the judges hearts by persevering.

"There is no limit to what we as a women can accomplish"
-Michelle Obama



Our team Ideology:

In our team we want everyone to take part in all the roles. Everyone is welcome to do what they like, and what they think they're good at. We all take turns and experiment with different roles and positions. When we each have different ideas we combine them to make something with a great purpose, and it becomes absolutely **marvelous**. As soon as someone gives a piece of advice or an idea, we all work together as a team to think and solve it. We all make sure we have fun and play games. For example, we once played the game "alligator infested river." In this game we had "lily pads" and we had to cross the river without falling as a **team**. After a few trial and errors, we figured out the trick. Most importantly, we had loads of fun.

Diversity

In our team, we may all LOOK the same, but INSIDE, we're all different in so many ways! First, we study in different schools and are from different grades. Our difference in age also brings unique ideas as all of us work together and it gives us an edge over others. Yes, all of us are of Indian origin, but we are from different regions of the country. With our differences, we can bring different ideas and cooperate to make something AMAZING. This also helps bring different cultures closer together so we can STAND OUT!

"In diversity there is beauty and there is strength"

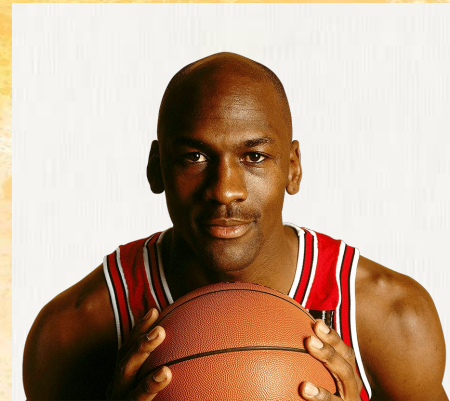
- Maya Angelou



Inclusivity

In our team we all love being together and working as one group. To get more tasks done in a short period of time we plan and organize who is doing what. We let ourselves decide what we want to work on because different minds with brilliant ideas, makes a brilliant team. And if we can't agree on what we should build, we combine our ideas to make something better. As the quote says, there is no "I" in a team! We never complain about who we are working with. We make sure everybody is participating, and we always make sure nobody feels left out. We also work well with all of our teammates. At any time if someone has a concern or question, we stop and listen and think about what they are saying. We believe everyone's opinion matters!

"Talent wins games but teamwork and intelligence win championships"- Michael Jordan.



Our Role Model - Marie Curie



Marie Curie was a famous scientist. She was born in Poland in 1867. In 1891 she moved to Paris, France to study math and physics, and she was the best student in her class. Later on, she taught classes in Paris and did science experiments. Curie found that only certain elements give off rays of energy. She called this radioactivity. In 1898, Marie, and her husband Pierre discovered 2 new elements. They named them polonium and radium. In 1903, they won the Nobel Prize in physics for their work with radium. In 1911 she won the Nobel Prize in chemistry. She was the first person in history to win 2 Nobel Prizes! She is our role model because she showed the world that women could do anything and everything they put their mind to do (and more!). She didn't let anything (for example: traveling to France) stop her from achieving her goal. We very much support and look up to her, she inspires us every day and hopefully you too!

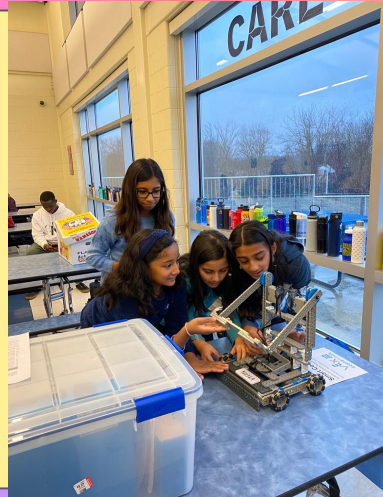
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