The Definition of Power

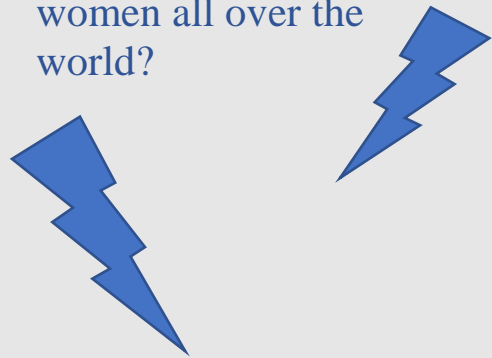**Girl Powered.**

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Power is a subjective, imaginary thing that is given by others. So, using this information, if we recognize women and girls for their accomplishments, we would then be giving women and girls power. The question is, how do we spread acknowledgment to women all over the world?

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Our Team's Girl Powered Definition

The definition of Girl Power could mean many things. It could be spotlighting women's skills and talents or giving power back to women who have been mistreated for centuries. Still, our team's definition of Girl Power is "Giving back the torch of recognition to women and girls that have been unappreciated for their sheer skill, talent, and bravery, so that everyone may be gratified for their work as they deserve." The torch of recognition is a figurative tool in our quote to properly portray how it feels to be recognized after hard work; the warmth of a fire feels just like that.

But Girl Power isn't just a definition; it's the presence and body of women worldwide shouting out that they are just as important as men. Girl power is women supporting women and congratulating each other on their accomplishments when others wouldn't. But Girl Power isn't just that either; it's a multidimensional presence of being loved by others and knowing truly that you and other women are important and impressive.

"We need to reshape our own perception of how we view ourselves. We have to step up as women and take the lead."

-Beyoncé

Popular artist, Beyoncé has made a clear impact on the definition of girl power. Not only has she centered her career on the free expression of women and supporting women's rights, but she has also funded copious charities for girls' education. She claims that women could do anything and that she wanted to educate the next generation so that they could rule the world.

Diversity Inclusion and why it is Important

Diversity Inclusion is another way to understand Girl Power. It highlights how necessary it is to have different people around you. People of another gender, race, political affiliation, class, and more are all crucial for you and your team to understand and hear multiple opinions. Without diversity inclusion, you're most likely to listen to the same views because you are around people like yourself. With people around you who are different from yourself, you can hear various opinions that can help you build a higher understanding of a problem. That is why diversity inclusion is essential to a team so you can listen to multiple views on a matter and grow a more extensive understanding of things. This can allow the team to succeed more often and to think outside the box.

Since this diversity is crucial for the team and essential to include everyone in the robotics program, we create a safe environment for any person by being friendly, having team members develop their practice schedule, and overall being accepting of all people. Though these are simple procedures, we see how our new members open up and become more comfortable.

The Importance of a well-rounded Student

We believe every team member should try out each other's jobs for many reasons. The first reason is that we want every team member to feel as comfortable and adventurous as possible; we constantly push each other to our limits to try to be the best we can be. The second reason is that we learn each other's roles just in case one of us is sick or unable to make it to a challenge. These two reasons have driven us to drive, notebook, code, and build. We think conforming to only one role when so many are available is not proficient for our work, and we believe that other teams shouldn't. Staying to only one job limits oneself and can leave team members with too much or too little work to do.

Our Team's Role Model

Who inspires us to push girl power and create a safe STEM environment for women? Grace Hopper. She served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and used her coding skills during the war to build Mark I, one of the earliest computers. She continued her work at

Harvard after the war, creating Mark II and Mark III. Not only was she a brave officer in the Navy, but she was also a brilliant and skilled programmer and mathematician. She has inspired us to work hard and to keep going through the most challenging times, no matter what people say will happen or how our robot might turn out. We remember that Ms. Hopper spent her life perfecting one piece of technology to perfect it and strived to keep going, even when it was tough.

Take Away of Research

Our takeaway is that women can do just as much as men and bring insight to a project that others might not have thought about. A diverse team is essential so you and your team can get more ideas and insights.

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