



# Important Behavior Guidelines for Team Adults

To ensure a positive and educational experience for everyone, please adhere to the following behavior guidelines while interacting with your teams. When in doubt, remember: "Student Led, Student Success!"



## Focus on Learning Over Winning

**Guideline:** Emphasize the importance of learning and personal growth over the desire to win.

**Reason:** This helps students appreciate the other skills they learn through the competition.



## Respect Student Centeredness

**Guideline:** Students must be the only ones designing, building, programming, and troubleshooting their robots.

**Reason:** This encourages critical thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork skills.



## Provide Guidance, Not Answers

**Guideline:** Provide guidance through leading questions and guided discussions rather than providing direct answers or solutions.

**Reason:** This helps students develop independence and confidence in their abilities.



## Maintain a Positive Environment

**Guideline:** Create a supportive and encouraging atmosphere. Avoid negative comments or criticism.

**Reason:** A positive environment boosts student morale and encourages a growth mindset in which students are encouraged to overcome challenges.



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We thank you for your cooperation and commitment to making this a memorable and educational experience for all students. For comprehensive information on the REC Foundation's Student-Centered Policy and Code of Conduct, please visit [audience.recf.org](http://audience.recf.org).



## Encourage Student Communication

**Guideline:** Students should be the only ones who communicate directly with judges, referees, and members of other teams.

**Reason:** Leading team communications gives students opportunities to practice their presentation, problem-solving, and negotiation skills.



## Avoid Unnecessary Interference

**Guideline:** Do not interfere with the operations of other teams or the event staff.

**Reason:** This maintains the integrity and smooth operation of the competition.



## Stay Behind the Scenes

**Guideline:** Adults should stay in the background during active problem-solving and match play.

**Reason:** When students are the primary participants and leaders in the competition, all teams are on a level playing field.



## Respect All Participants

**Guideline:** Treat all students, mentors, volunteers, and other event attendees with respect and courtesy.

**Reason:** Respectful behavior promotes a fair and enjoyable experience for everyone involved.



## Consequences for Non-Compliance

1. Teams will receive warnings or violations for adult interference.
2. Repeated offenses could lead to a team's disqualification.
3. Adults may be asked to leave the competition area.

