

## Dear Sponsor:

In 1999, Gulfport High School students took the first steps into the world of FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics creating Team Fusion Robotics, and what an adventure it has been! FIRST is an internationally acclaimed organization that hosts annual robotics competitions with more than 200,000 high school students competing on a global scale.

Gulfport High School's Team Fusion 364 is asking for your support. Team Fusion is one of Mississippi's premiere FIRST robotics teams and is open to students from schools all along the coast. Team Fusion has been fortunate to have had great success over the years because of sponsors like you continuing to see the value in our program. In the last twenty years, Team Fusion has competed in the FIRST World Championship ten times: 2007-2009, 2011, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2022.

But more importantly, Team Fusion is a program that utilizes robots to build better minds and future leaders. Your sponsorship gives our Team the opportunity to grow in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, and learn teamwork, work management, communications and participate in public outreach.

In addition to competitions, Team Fusion strives to develop approaches to positively affect our community. Its efforts have been recognized by the scientific community.

Last year Gulfport High School and Team Fusion have teamed up with Chickasaw High School of Mobile, AL, to manufacture prosthetic legs for impoverished people in South America. Team Fusion uses commercial quality 3-D printers to create lower foot pieces embedded with Kevlar and upper knee pieces using carbon fiber. After the pieces are printed, they are sent to Chickasaw High School where they are assembled. Gulfport High School students and teachers had the opportunity to go to South America for leg fittings.

The Team has won the Samsung Solve Tomorrow for the State of Mississippi for 3 years and in 2016 and 2020 select members from Team Fusion were the recipients of grants from the LEMELSON MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) InvenTeam program to create projects that helped serve the community.

Our Team's success depends on your support. We need your help to meet our goal of raising excess of \$60,000 to support the Team's operations and its participation in FIRST programs and competitions. These competitions allow our Team members to interact with other students from all over the World. Team Fusion is a 501(c) (3) Tax Exempt organization (ID number 20-4199007) and all donations are tax deductible. Donations may be sent to —

Team Fusion Robotics Booster Club % Donna Van Loon, Treasurer Team Fusion Booster Club, 3 Pine Haven Street Gulfport, MS 39503

Thank you for your support,

Rusty Ramage President Team Fusion Booster Club



## **Sponsorship Recognition Levels**

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Sponsorships	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
	\$3,000 +	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$500
Logo Website	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Logo T-shirt	Yes	Yes	Yes	Name Only
Logo in Robot Pit	Yes	Yes	•	-
Logo on Robot	Yes	-	-	-
Impact Book	Yes	-	-	-

The mission of Team Fusion is to mobilize future leaders by providing diversity opportunities, engaging heavily in community involvement, and breaking through comfort zones, all while involving in real world experiences.



## Team Fusion Sponsorship/Donation Acknowledgement

Please complete this form for every sponsorship or donation so we can ensure our supporters are thanked properly. This Acknowledgement form must accompany with the payment so we can properly credit the student for the sponsorship.

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