

Parent support is an important part of Team 7426 / Pair of Dice. Parents can help in a variety of ways.

TEAM DUES

Fees must be paid and will be checked by the assigned due date for team members to keep eligibility. Please contact a mentor if you are unable to financially meet this requirement.

Depending on the team's financial situation, there may be scholarships available to students who wish to travel. These scholarships can be used to cover part or all of a student's travel costs. Students who wish to receive a scholarship must have made an effort to raise the money on their own, be active participants on the team and be on free & reduced lunch. Students who think they may need financial help to travel must notify a team mentor ASAP.

Students are required to attend at least one out-of-state event per season and one local competition: The cost per out-of state competition is approximately \$450. This is an estimate and the final cost will be finalized when the team makes travel arrangements. They may have the opportunity to attend 2 out-of-state competitions, and/or the WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP.

If the team qualifies for the Championship, it is a rare and extraordinary experience that we encourage students to attend. We recommend having approximately \$700 reserved for the Championship, in the case that the team qualifies. The fundraising section of this document explains how students can reduce their individual travel expenses.

Due Dates

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	☐ A non-refundable participation fee of \$75 is due September 15, 2024. This covers the cost for one team
	practice shirt and 1 hoodie, as well as team consumable materials.
	☐ Travel expenses for out-of-state events are due January 5, 2024
	☐ Fundraising requirement due January 5, 2024

Checks made payable to Pair of Dice Robotics - SECTA.

FUNDRAISING

Parents can help raise money to offset the cost of student travel. Some of the fundraisers parents can be responsible for include running event concession stands, helping with the setup of car washes or similar events, and helping with the setup of certain restaurants that are willing to run a team fundraisers. Parents can also use their connections to reach out to possible sponsors and help the team find donors for money, material, apparel, equipment, replacement tools and parts, etc.

Each member is required to fundraise and/or pay an additional \$200 for team expenses. If a student fundraises more than this goal, the additional amount will be credited towards their individual travel expenses.



FEES AND FUNDRAISING IF DISMISSED FROM TEAM

If a student is dismissed (or quits) from the team before kickoff, all direct fees paid will be refunded minus expenses. Offseason expenses and shirt expenses will not be refunded. Any fundraising done via a direct donation from a *family member* will also be refunded.

If a student is dismissed from the team after kickoff, all direct fees will be refunded minus expenses. Off-season expenses, travel expenses that have already occurred (hotel, plane ticket, meals, etc..) will not be refunded and no fundraising balance will be refunded other than direct payment from parents.

If a student quits the team after kickoff, no fees or fundraising will be refunded.

VOLUNTEERING AT EVENTS

Some of our team events require adult volunteers such as judges, referees, etc. Prior to an event, a list of needed volunteers and the requirements for those positions will be sent out to the parents.

SUPPORTING TEAM AT COMPETITIONS

There is nothing that can explain the excitement of a FIRST competition. Team 7426 encourages parents to attend competitions, both in and out of Las Vegas. Travel itinerary will be provided for those interested in attending out-of-state events.

Ways Parents can Help
☐ picking up lunch or dinner
☐ running errands such as getting water, snacks, robot parts (Home Depot runs)
☐ making swag for the cheer section
☐ Etc. (you can be creative)
When parents attend competitions, we ask that you respect team roles. Every student has a job when we compete and it's important to the team's efforts that students are focused on their task.
MEALS DURING BUILD SEASON
The Team meets from 9-5pm Saturdays during Build Season (Jan to April). Each family will support half of
team lunch once.
☐ Example
☐ Family A provides Entree
☐ Family B provides Drink, Sides, Dessert
☐ The team breaks for lunch at 1PM
You can send your child in the morning with food or can coordinate a drop off.
☐ These meals should feed 35 - 40 students and mentors. Meals can be as simple as hot dogs or

sandwiches. It is requested that a vegetarian option is also made available (ex. salad). Please ensure

that the meals have suitable protein to sustain the students during work.



☐ If you are unable to provide a meal due to time constraints, you will be required to make a financial contribution of \$75.00 to the team in lieu of a meal contribution, and we will find another family to prepare the meal on your behalf



PARENT EXPECTATIONS

Please acknowledge that you agree to: Student eligibility and expectations in the Team Constitution Sign up for the team Remind account in order to receive important team communications Provide a meal during Build Season and/or Competition Season Provide timely transportation for my child Respect the team, its mentors and its sponsors Pay teams dues and the fundraising requirement (if my child fails to meet the goal)
Please, if you have any further questions about joining the team feel free to contact any of the coaches a
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Parent Name - Printed
Parent Signature
Student Name
 Date