

**THOMAS COUNTY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
ROBOTICS TEAM
PARENTAL PERMISSION / MEDICAL RELEASE / LAB SAFETY AGREEMENT**

Name of Participant: _____

NOTE: ALL participants and parent(s)/guardian(s) of participants must agree to affix their signatures on this form.

I agree for my son/daughter to attend FIRST FTC robotics events, virtual events, and competitions during the 2020-2021 school year with any of the following chaperone(s):

Brian D. Bellamy; John Jimimez; Brian Burton; or Patrick Harden.

I release Thomas County Central High School, its representatives, agents, servants, and employees from liability for any injury to the above-names person resulting from any cause occurring to the participant named above while attending the school-sponsored activity. These events include travel to and from such activity, excepting only such injury or damage resulting from willful acts of such representatives, agents, servants, and employees.

I do voluntarily authorize the sponsors, chaperones, or designees of Thomas County Central High School to administer or obtain routine or emergency diagnostic procedures or routine or emergency medical treatment for the participant named above as deemed necessary in medical judgment.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the sponsors, chaperones, or designees of Thomas County Central High School for any claims, demands, actions, rights of action, or judgment by or on behalf of those named above arising from or because of said procedures or treatment rendered in good faith and according to accepted medical standards.

I have read and understood the "FIRST Safety Guidelines" and the "Code of Conduct" written in the Thomas County Central Student Handbook or provided by the sponsor. I agree to follow the procedures and practices described. I fully understand that this is an educational activity and will, to the best of my ability, apply myself for learning and uphold at all times the finest qualities of a person representing Thomas County Central High School.

Mark any of the following that apply to the participant:

Wear contact lenses; Color blind; Serious allergies; Significant Medical Conditions

Explain checked items: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

Participant Signature

Date

Please review the FIRST Safety Guidelines on the next page of this form and other steps for registration.

Safety Guidelines

Building a robot requires many tools and can be dangerous. To keep everyone safe, we will follow the rules below at ALL times.

- ✓ **Tool Use:** DO NOT USE POWER TOOLS when the instructor is not physically present and viewing the work. Never use a tool without appropriate training and approval by the instructor. Students will understand proper techniques to use a device or *ask for help* using a new tool, or unsure of procedures.
- ✓ **Hand/Eye protection:** Always wear protective glasses when using tools, and work gloves if you're working with sharp edges like metal or plastic
- ✓ **Entanglement:** *Always* pull hair back, so it does not dangle into the work area; remove or tie off loose clothing, scarves, sleeves, ties, accessories, etc.
- ✓ **Electric hazards:** *No water* around power tools - stay away from the sink! Be careful that any electrical cords are well out of the way of the cutting edge.
- ✓ **Body posture:** Keep a firm grip on tools, no reaching over a work zone, two hands if necessary, stabilize tools with the body if possible, maximize leverage.
- ✓ **Securing work pieces:** use hand clamps, C-clamps, vise grips, or vises; *never* work holding a work piece unsupported. Clamp as close to the work region as possible and keep articles secure to prevent the piece from slipping.
- ✓ **Sharp Edges:** *Always* file or deburr sharp edges with a file, rotary tool, or deburring tool. Note that cut metal edges easily slice the skin and tear clothing.

Additional Steps Required Before Participation in Competitions and Events

- Coach Bellamy requires students to complete a **student participation agreement** with the help of their parent. Go to <https://tcchs.org/rpa> to complete Mr. Bellamy's Google Form.
- Starting this season **FIRST** requires all Youth Team Members and Parents to complete the **youth registration** online process. Go to <https://www.firstinspires.org/resource-library/youth-registration-system> to get started.