



**What:** Saint Michael Catholic School *FIRST* LEGO League JUNIOR Team

**Who:** 6-10 Year Old Students (or K-4 Grade)

**When:** Team meetings will be held at StMCS starting Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – 11:00 am. Meetings will continue each Saturday until the team participates in a LEGO League Junior Expo. There are several Expo dates available, but the most conveniently located one is on December 7<sup>th</sup> in Maple Grove. To view the Expo schedule, go to: <https://hightechkids.org/flj-jr-overview/expo-schedule/>

**Cost:** The majority of the expense incurred is per team. Therefore, the individual student cost will depend upon how many students are on each team and how many teams we have. Allowable team sizes are 2 to 6 students. The estimated cost per student could be anywhere from \$75 to \$200 each.

**Boomtown Build:** To learn more about the Boomtown Build Challenge and what our team will be working on, visit their website at: <https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/flj-jr/challenge-and-season>

**FIRST:** FIRST (For Inspiration & Recognition of Science & Technology) is the organization that sets the rules, supplies the LEGO kits, and runs the high-level competitions. Find out more by going to: <https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/flj-jr>

**High Tech Kids:** High Tech Kids is the Minnesota affiliate that runs the Minnesota level tournaments. For more information about local tournaments, go to: <https://hightechkids.org/flj-jr-overview/>

**Coaches Needed:** Besides participants, we need coaches! Teams can consist of up to 6 students and each team needs two coaches. I am volunteering to be one of the coaches. You do not need to be technically savvy to coach - you just need to be willing to learn and like working with children!

All coaches need to have their archdiocese required “Essential Three” (E3) requirements up to date, including VIRTUS training, background check, and volunteer code of conduct. Instructions on how to complete and/or update the E3 can be found at: <https://www.stmcatholicchurch.org/volunteering>

**Contact:** If you have a child interested in participating and/or if you are interested in coaching, please contact me at 763-232-5815 or [eric@peremarquette.net](mailto:eric@peremarquette.net).

Thank you,

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