Poway Tournament 12/14/13

3 MVHS robotics teams traveled to Poway High School to compete in our second tournament of the year. There were 41 teams in attendance. Below are the results as well as the members of each team:

Team 569A was ranked 6th out of 41 teams after 8 qualifying matches. The #1 seeded alliance picked them and their alliance went on to WIN the entire tournament. Team 569A was able to rack up 3 trophies including: Tournament Champion, Robot Skills Champion, and the Innovate Award for their game changing autonomous strategy (where the robot is programmed to move without human control). Their robot could fling a weighted beach ball 8 feet across the field ensuring the 10 point bonus match after match. Watch the video clip above to see it in action. It was the only robot at the tournament able to actually throw a beach ball! Unfortunately they had to beat our very own Team 569C in the semifinals and our very own Team 569B in the finals. Team 569A has now qualified for the CA State Championships in March at Great America in Santa Clara, CA.

Team 569 B finished 8th out of 41 teams in the qualifying rounds. Their alliance went on to perform brilliantly knocking off much higher seeds to end up in the finals taking on our very own Team 569A. While they were able to take them to 3 matches in the best of 3 format, 569A prevailed. This team has a lot to be proud of including their second Tournament Finalist Trophy in two tournaments. Their time is coming!

Team 569 C finished the qualifying rounds in 5th place out of 41 teams. They performed extremely well in the quarterfinals but were defeated by our very own 569A in the semifinals. However their disappointment was short-lived as during the awards ceremony Team 569C won the highest award you can win at a VEX tournament, the Excellence Award. This award goes to the best overall team at the event. The judges (real world engineers) deemed that Team 569C was the overall best team when it came to how they performed on the field, in the programming and driver skills challenges, their teamwork, their engineering notebook, and their interview with the judges. This is only the second time in our history that we have won this award. This award also qualifies them for the CA State Championships in March at Great America in Santa Clara, CA.

As the mentor of this enormous group (46 kids) I could not have been more proud of their efforts. Each student below was integral part of the success and should be congratulated on their accomplishments.











