



LigerBot Standards of Behavior

- Newton Schools policies on illegal substances apply to all team activities.
- The LigerBots adhere to the Massachusetts anti-hazing and anti-bullying laws and to NPS policies on hazing and bullying. NPS policies can be found on the NPS web page.
- Both students and parents must register on the team website and STIMS.
- Students must have permission slips on file to participate in carpools and events. Events during school hours may require additional teacher signatures.
- Parents should be aware that students on the team will be using power tools, wiring electrical components, and accessing the internet, and sometimes communicating with adults outside the Newton school community.
- Students may communicate with the team through a variety of means including email and an instant messaging service called Slack. Parents should know that the LigerBots use real names and email addresses in Slack. Information on Slack is not communicated outside the team. The privacy policy for Slack is located at the following URL: <https://slack.com/privacy-policy>. All team rules apply to Slack.

Standards for students at team meetings and events

- If for any reason you have conflict with another student, mentor, or coach, go to a coach to help you resolve that issue.
- If you are causing a disruption or distraction in a meeting, you will be directed to a job. If you continue to disrupt/distract others in the same meeting, your hours will not count. The same policy applies to training sessions.
- If you need to leave a meeting before your assigned job is done, you must tell the person who assigned you that job and the adult assisting you before you can leave. You must leave with a parent or adult unless otherwise agreed upon.
- Communication is very important... that's what allows the team to run. everyone is expected to keep up with Slack messaging and email and to respond in a timely manner.
- When you are asked to do something which you don't think is the best course of action, or disagree with for any reason, you must offer a reasonable argument or reasoning behind why you do not think it should be done. Always be respectful.
- When going to a team event, you should be presentable and have good hygiene.
- Be respectful of people and property, both within and outside the team. This is especially important when wearing your LigerBots shirt as your behavior reflects on the whole team. Do not install software on school or team machines without coach approval.
- Be respectful of sponsors at all times.
- Use common sense around tools, robots, electricity, and moving vehicles. Always wear safety glasses and tie back long hair when around machine/power tools. Obey the directions of coaches/mentors/other adults. Wear seatbelts in cars.

If a student egregiously and/or repeatedly violates these standards, a coach will contact their parent to discuss the issues and continued involvement with the team.

Parent emergency phone (reachable during meetings/events) _____

Parent non-emergency contact(cell/landline/email): _____

Please check here if the parent does not wish to be included in team email lists. This means that you will not receive routine team information. We will still contact you in exceptional circumstances.

Parent Name _____ Signature _____

Student Name _____ Signature _____



LigerBots Media, Photography, and Video Release

Student name _____

The LigerBots may record video or still photographs, publish summaries of team activities, or grant interviews during activities including team meetings, team social events, outreach events, robotics competitions, and similar activities. Please fill out this form to provide permission for your child's image and/or name to be published, in the context of LigerBots activities. (Note that FIRST competitions and many of our outreach events are public events and may be covered by the media.)

Please put a check mark in each box to indicate approval for each category. A blank box will indicate that you **DO NOT GIVE PERMISSION** for that section.

Permission for student to be photographed and interviewed, and for name to be used in media

I authorize Newton Public Schools to allow my child to be interviewed and/or photographed during the course of the year or have his/her name appear in media publications of the NPS team the LigerBots, such as their printed materials, website or media page (such as Facebook or Twitter) and/or have his/her name appear in a media publication, such as the *Newton Tab*, *Boston Globe*, NewTV, when this media visit has been authorized by NPS and/or its designees because of a student accomplishment.

Permission for student picture to be used in LigerBots print and / or electronic media

I authorize Newton Public Schools to allow my child's picture to be published in the printed materials, on the website or media page of NPS team The LigerBots, (such as Facebook or Twitter). A picture could take the form of a photograph, video, or multimedia project. No last name, home address, or telephone number will appear on such a picture.

Permission for student work to be published in LigerBots print and / or electronic media

I authorize NPS to publish my child's work on the LigerBots printed materials, website or media page (such as Facebook or Twitter.) I understand that copyright and ownership of the work or writing remain my child's property. No last name, home address or telephone number will appear in the work.

Student teacher permissions

I authorize a student teacher to use a photograph, video, or other media production containing an image of my child or my child's classwork for internal college/university use for student teacher evaluation purposes.

Permission for LigerBots and FIRST to use student picture to record and promote FIRST programs

The student (and the parent/guardian of a student under 18 years of age) understands that photographs, videotapes, and other recordings will be made of participants in the FIRST program, including the student. The student (and the parent/guardian of a participant under 18 years of age) consents to those photographs, videotapes, and other recordings and the use thereof (i) as part of a record of the FIRST program and (ii) to promote FIRST and the FIRST programs.

Signature _____

Date _____

Parent or student (age 18 or older)