

# HOWDY BOTS

## MENTOR APPLICATION

The process for an adult to become a mentor for Howdy Bots is as follows:

1. Read the Team and Mentor Handbooks.
2. Completes a Mentor Application Form and submit to the Head Coach.
3. Complete the FIRST YPP (Youth Protection Program) application.
4. The Head Coach will then interview and review the background check on the prospective mentor.
5. The prospective mentor completes the required training.
6. Upon satisfactory completion of the above items, the prospective mentor will be allowed to participate in team activities and practices under the oversight of the Head Coach for a probationary period. The probationary period allows both the Head Coach and the prospective mentor time to decide if Howdy Bots is a good fit for both.
7. At the end of the probationary period the Head Coach will then make a decision as to whether to accept the prospective mentor to become a full mentor for the team. The Head Coach, at his/her discretion, can solicit input from other mentors and student members for their recommendation. If found acceptable, the Head Coach will send an email invitation to the prospective mentor.
8. The prospective mentor can then accept the invitation to become a full mentor for Howdy Bots.

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Applicant Information		
Full Legal Name:		
Nickname?:		
Any name changes or alias's in the last 7 years?      Yes / No (circle one) If Yes, list any names different from the first line above within the last 7 years:		
Maiden name (if applicable):		
Current Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Other addresses in the last 7 years (attach additional pages if needed):		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Date of Birth:		Home Phone:
Mobile Phone:		Receive Texts/Slack:   Y   /   N
Email:		
Other Contact Info (Facebook, Twitter, etc.):		
Questions		
<i>FIRST</i> and/or Robotics Experience (jrFLL, FLL, FTC, FRC) (What teams? Tell us about it.):		
Experience (check at least two):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Programming (Java, C#, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical (wiring, circuits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Technical Writing
<input type="checkbox"/> CAD	<input type="checkbox"/> Website development	<input type="checkbox"/> Videography
<input type="checkbox"/> Metal working	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Journalism/Blogging
<input type="checkbox"/> Marketing	<input type="checkbox"/> Photography	<input type="checkbox"/> Graphic Design
<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

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Please provide details of your experience. (type of engineering, programming language, etc):

Howdy Bots Team Interests (check at least two):

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|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical (Build Teams) | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CAD                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Business   | <input type="checkbox"/> Videography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical               | <input type="checkbox"/> Drive Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Scouting    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programming              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:     |                                      |

Please describe how you would like to contribute to the team:

## Other Commitments

Please list other commitments you are involved with throughout the year:

Activity Name	Time of year	# hours/week
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Are there any specific dates during the 6 week build season that you will not be available?  
(1/6 to ~2/20):

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Do you have any other additional thoughts you would like to share with us?

I understand that a background investigation will be conducted on me at least every three years for the purpose of determining my suitability to be a mentor for the Howdy Bots. I affirm that the information I have completed above is true, and agree to this background investigation. Furthermore, I agree that the acceptance of my application to be a mentor is at the sole discretion of the team's Head Coach, and will agree with the Head Coach's decision. Lastly, I agree that I have been provided a copy of the Team and Mentor Handbooks, will complete the required training, and will abide by all of the rules and requirements contained within these documents.

Signature:

Date:

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Participant Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Last name, First name

**ASSUMPTION OF RISK – WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**  
ATX Robotics, Inc.

**Please read carefully! This is a legal document that affects your legal rights!**

For purposes of this agreement **ATXR** refers to ATX Robotics, Inc. and its board, officers, directors, employees, agents and assigns, and **Participant** refers to the individual participating in events with **ATXR** and to Participant's parent or guardian if Participant is less than 18 years of age.

ATXR is a nonprofit organization formed to allow participants to design and build robots, and to compete with robots in local, state, and national competitions.

Participant named above desires to take part in activities with ATXR.

In consideration of the acceptance of his/her participation with ATXR, Participant (and Participant's parent or guardian if applicable) states and agrees to the following:

- **ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** I understand that activities performed with ATXR may be hazardous. I recognize that the following activities, all of which may be performed with ATXR, can cause serious bodily injury:
  - Construction and operation of robots;
  - Use of power tools;
  - Use of high voltage machinery;
  - Use of heavy and/or sharp objects;

**I assume the risks of injury (including, without limitation, death) of these activities and any other activities Participant may perform with ATXR.**

- **MEDICAL TREATMENT:** In the event I should sustain injuries or illness while participating with ATXR, I hereby authorize ATXR to administer, or cause to be administered such first aid or other treatment and medications as necessary under the circumstances. **I releases and forever discharge ATXR from any claim whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise on account of any first aid, treatment, or service rendered in connection with Participant's activities with ATXR.**
- **RELEASE AND WAIVER:** I release and forever discharge and hold harmless ATXR and its successors and assigns from any and all liability or claims that I may have against ATXR with respect to any bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death, or property damage that may result from Participant's activities with ATXR. **I understand and acknowledge that the claims being released include, without limitation, claims based on or in any way related to the negligence of ATXR and, if allowed under applicable law, the gross negligence of ATXR.** I also understands that ATXR does not assume any responsibility for or obligation to provide financial assistance or other assistance, including but not limited to medical, health, or disability insurance in the event of injury or illness.
- **INDEMNIFICATION:** I agree to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless **ATXR** from any and all liability, claims, lawsuits, damages, or liability of any character, type, or description, including negligence, gross negligence, and/or strict liability, arising out of Participant's activities with ATXR.

Participant expressly agrees and intends this agreement to be as broad and as inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Texas. Further, Participant agrees that this agreement shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

If any one or more of the provisions contained in this agreement are held to be invalid, the Participant agree that the invalidity of such clause or provision shall not otherwise affect the remaining provisions of this agreement.

**Participant**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

*AND (if Participant under 18)*

**Parent or Legal Guardian of Participant**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suite/Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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## MEDIA RELEASE

Every year, the Howdy Bots, as part of ATX Robotics, uses photographs and videos of our team members for a variety of projects and media. These images may be used in educational and documentary materials such as Public Service Announcements, Grant Applications, Video Documentaries and both printed and online newsletters. This includes use on social media networks such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.

I hereby grant permission to ATX Robotics, its agents, and its employees to:

- Photograph, video, and/or make audio recordings of me;
- Use my image, likeness, and voice for all program promotion, materials, and any other purposes in connection with ATX Robotics activities;
- Reproduce and/or publish any photographs, video, and/or audio recordings of me for any purpose in connection with ATX Robotics activities;

Further, I hereby grant ATX Robotics, its agents, and its employees a perpetual, non-exclusive, royalty-free right and license to use or publish such photographs, video, and/or audio recordings of me for any purpose in connection with ATX Robotics activities.

And I agree to release and forever discharge ATX Robotics, its agents, and its employees from any and all claims in law or equity that I, my heirs, or personal representatives have or shall have arising out of such photographs, video, and/or audio recordings of me.

I acknowledge that by signing this form I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising from the use of my photograph or video, and if signing on behalf of a minor, I waive all such rights of the minor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature