Missouri

Grade 4 Reading

**Robotics Club at School**

**From:** Keisha Rodriguez

**To:** All Elementary Students

**Subject:** Robotics after-school club

Dear Students,

As you know, our school will soon have a new club for elementary students that will meet after school every Thursday. When all of us meet in the auditorium next week, we will vote on our favorite club. I am writing to ask you to join me in voting for a robotics club.

Learning about robotics has many benefits. You gain valuable real-life skills in science, math, engineering, and technology. You learn how to work as part of a team to build a robot that can solve some kind of problem. You practice sharing ideas and working together towards a common goal. You learn to keep trying when things don’t go as planned and to celebrate your successes. A robotics club will be a lot of fun, and it will be a great opportunity to make friends!

The robotics club will be led by Ms. Kennedy. Here are some activities she has planned for the club:

* Learn how robots move and how to use a robotic arm
* Build a maze and a robot mouse that can find its way out
* Write a computer program that plays music
* Program a robot that makes different faces

At the end of the year, the club will participate in the statewide robotics competition. The top team from our state will get to travel to the national tournament. At this level of competition, teams compete with other teams from around the country. Teams that do well could win great prizes, such as computers and robot kits!

The robotics club will be open to all elementary students. If you have knowledge of robotics, the club needs you! Even if you do not know anything about building robots, the club needs you! Your great ideas and knowledge will be important to the team. All skill levels will be welcome.

I am very excited about the idea of starting a robotics club at our school. I hope this e-mail has you excited about a robotics club too. If so, remember to vote for the robotics club next week!

Sincerely,

Keisha

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**Vote for the Cooking Club!**

Club Leader: Mr. Chen

Let’s take a trip around the world—through food! In this after-school club, students will get to learn more about other countries and cultures while making and enjoying delicious food.

**Join the cooking club so we can “travel” to**

* Japan for noodle soup,
* Brazil for cheese bread,
* South Africa for meat stew,
* Canada for meat pies,
* Germany for soft pretzels,
* And much more!

We cannot forget about dessert. In the cooking club students will learn all the basics necessary to bake cakes, cookies, pies, and cupcakes.

The cooking club will be open to all students—no previous cooking experience is necessary!

**Through the cooking club, you will learn how to**

* follow a recipe,
* cook safely in the kitchen,
* use kitchen tools and equipment,
* measure and weigh ingredients,
* choose healthy food, and
* work as a team.

And of course, along with learning how to cook, we will learn about the culture from which each recipe comes.

At the end of the year, Cooking Club will host a food fair to raise funds for our school. Each team will cook one of the dishes made during the year. We will invite our friends and families to enjoy our delicious creations.

If you have food allergies, don’t despair! You can still join the cooking club, and we will make sure that the food is safe for you to make and eat.

Are you ready to have fun, learn about other cultures, and be able to help out with the cooking at home? **Then vote for the cooking club next week!**

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Did you know? Cooking sharpens your skills in math, science, reading, social studies, and art.