



Recently, Washington Junior High & High School Students competed in the FIRST (For Inspiration & Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Challenge in Ottumwa. FIRST is an not-for-profit organization which gives students the opportunity to develop their brain power; it is a "Sport-for-the-Mind". Students get real-world application of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) concepts while developing team building, entrepreneurship and sportsmanship. The FIRST TECH CHALLENGE (FTC) challenges students to design, build and program a robot using a specific set of parts, and compete in a specific game. Rockwell Collins is the Official Sponsor of FIRST. Pictured (front row l-r): Michael, Neil, Robert; (back row l-r): Jacob (HS), James, Kyle and Nayara.