

Parents, Get Ready for Kindergarten!

2014-15 Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten registration for the three school districts will be happening in January and February. Children must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 to enter kindergarten for the 2014-15 school year. Transitional Kindergarten (TK) is an optional program for those children who have their 5th birthday between (including) Sept. 2 and Dec. 2.

Lafayette School District

(Burton Valley, Happy Valley, Lafayette, and Springhill elementary schools)

Registration for both programs took place at the district's four elementary schools Jan. 21 and 22, but parents who were unable to attend can still register at the school site. For more information about kindergarten registration, go to the district's website at: www.lafsd.k12.ca.us/registration.

Moraga School District

(Camino Pablo, Donald Rheem and Los Perales elementary schools)

Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten registration for 2014-15 will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Feb. 6 and 7. Documents will be needed to verify age eligibility, residency and required immunizations. Any child without verified up-to-date immunizations will not be eligible to attend school. Registration information can be found on the district website: <http://district.moraga.k12.ca.us>. Parents/guardians must register at the school of residence for their child. To help determine which school your child should attend, check the MSD website at <http://district.moraga.k12.ca.us>, at 'School's Boundary Information' under the School menu, or call the District office at (925) 376-5943. Parents/guardians who need more information, or who are unable to register their child during these two days, may also call their school of residence directly.

Orinda Union School District

(Del Rey, Glorietta, Sleepy Hollow, and Wagner Ranch elementary schools)

Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten registration for children entering an Orinda public school in August 2014 will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at each of four elementary schools Monday through Thursday, Feb. 3-6. Registration requires the presentation of various documents. These documents and specific instructions are outlined on the district's website. Please note that some of the items need to be the original, certified documents. Visit www.orindaschools.org for more information.

TEEN SCENE

Campolindo Robotics Wins First Place at Regional Competition

By Andrew Wang



From left: Bradley Zhu, Cary Huang, Stephen DaRodda, and Kourosh Arasteh.

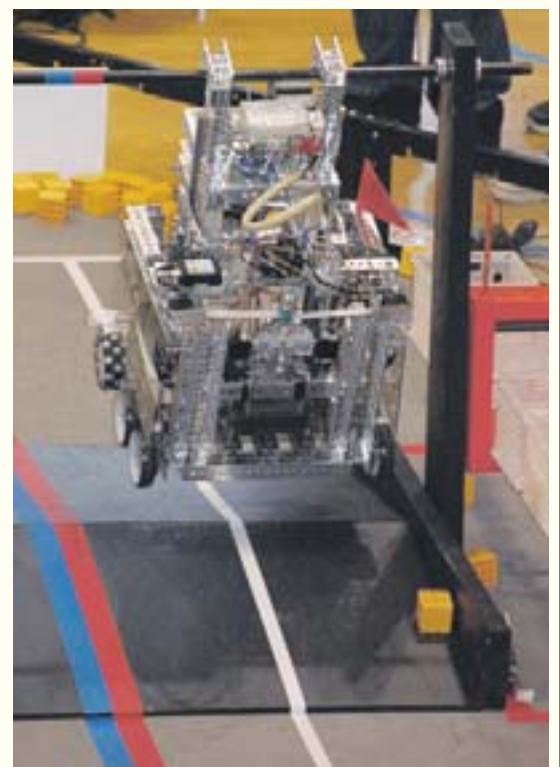
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The Campolindo High School Robotics Team 524, "Boss Bots," duked it out at Jefferson High School in Daly City Jan. 18 with 31 other teams from across the Bay Area in the First Tech Challenge (FTC) Robotics competition that puts robots head to head in a sporting-style tournament.

Campolindo's robotics club has been hot since its inception. The team has competed in the FTC robotics competition since 2011, winning the opportunity to compete at the international-level in its first year and receiving numerous design awards throughout its three-year history. Every season, the team works together to create a new robot designed to complete specified tasks, doing anything from picking up blocks to hanging from bars. Member Jacob Ngai says: "Robotics club is about every member bringing in his own forte, whether hardware or software, combining our intellects to explore the limits of robot power."

The team pulled through a hard day of competing matches to win the title of First Place Alliance Captain, making them the highest ranking team in the tournament. The team also won the Rockwell Collins Innovate award for its creative and robust robot design. The team has already qualified for the upcoming regional tournament in February, which will be their next step to the world championships.

Kourosh Arasteh, president of the Campo Robotics Club, reflected on the competition: "I am very proud of the team, for our hard work paying off, and I look forward to the challenge of competing at a higher level. We are indebted to advisors Mrs. Nita Madra and Mr. Ken Coates for their unwavering support and dedication. One of the hallmarks of our team is adaptation, and I am confident that we will bring a well-developed and efficient robot to the NorCal Championship in February."



Robot created by the Campolindo High School Robotics Team 524, "Boss Bots."

Campolindo student, Andrew Wang, is the Director of Concerts for Be the Star You Are!® charity. Besides programming computers, he plays piano and throws Frisbees.



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