

Extended Field Trip Request Form

1. Provide a detailed description of the trip, including how it relates to the curriculum and ways in which curriculum benefits will be documented:

We would like to attend the CREATE ROBOTICS US Open Robotics Championships in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The tournament stresses teamwork, problem solving and critical thinking. CREATE stresses Honor by Design. Our students have learned programming, basic engineering and physics.

2. Who will be participating (e.g. team members, club members, etc.)?

Preston McElravy, Assistant Coach	Rosa Mendez
Reggie Dittmer	Ashley Franco Salas
Chase Parde	Emmett Peiper
Wyatt Henning	Jazon Nolan
Charlie Fortin	
Kevin Lucas Jacinto	
Brayan Vicente Vicente	

3. Anticipated number of students: 10-12

4. Sponsors: Names, addresses, phone numbers

Michael Smith - 125 Boswell, Crete, NE 68333 - 402.432.8570
Preston McElravy - Lincoln - 402.418.4313

5. Describe any costs to sponsors:

12 Passenger Van
\$100 entry fee

6. Cost per student: (Provide breakdown costs for transportation, lodging, registration, etc. Please attach a spreadsheet clearly outlining costs)

7. What costs are students responsible for?

\$ provided by student for food, snacks, tshirt

8. What provisions have been made for students who cannot afford to participate?

N/A

9. Tour or travel agency, if applicable (attach copy of the contract):

None

10. Itinerary: **attach** dates, times, cities, countries, hotels, residences, and form of transportation for each day from the time of departure to return.

11. Insurance underwriter for tour or travel agency (if applicable please attach).

12. Name of airline if applicable: N/A

13. Name of person completing this form: Michael Smith

Activities Director Signature of approval:

Matt West

Date: 3/3/20

Campus Principal Signature of approval:

Cory Bahley

Date: _____

Superintendent or designee Signature of approval:

Date: _____

Open

2026 CREATE Open Robotics U.S. Open Tournament

Start: 3/23/2026

End: 3/25/2026

Location: Iowa West Field House

Address: 5 Arena Way

City: Council Bluffs

State: IA

ZIP: 51501

Contact Name: Support

Contact Email:

Contact Phone:

Competition Type: Tournament

Program: Open

Capacity: 29 Slots (4 Remaining)

Price: \$600.00

Registration Deadline: 3/2/2026

Event Description:

Welcome to the CREATE Robotics National Championship tournament. This is the CREATE OPEN event. (The CREATE Jr. can be found in their own event.) This year, CREATE's signature event will be held in the Iowa West Field House. This facility will be the perfect home for the 2026 National Robotic Championship. Teams from across the United States will be invited to this unique event.

For more information and schedules please visit the tournament page at:

<https://www.create-found.org/2026CREATEWorldChampionship.php>

You can find the rules for the OPEN Program at:

<https://www.create-found.org/2026.php>

It is important you review these rules as they require a different strategy from the VRC Over Under rules. We believe this change of rules will make for an enriched learning experience and engineering challenge for each of the teams!

To be considered for any of the judged awards you must participate in remote judging!

TEAMS can sign up for the Remote judging here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4BADA62CA3FE3-61064381-team#/>

More spots will be opened if we get more judges to volunteer. JUDGES can volunteer here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4BADA62CA3FE3-60695451-2026#/>

Submit your digital notebook here: <https://forms.gle/ATXTH4PxDfHePi9C9>

Digital notebooks are due by interview date.

Volunteer for the event: <https://signup.com/go/aPPRxHu>

You can download and fill out the CREATE waiver below. If you don't have them filled out before you arrive you will need to fill them out when you arrive at the event. You can download and fill out the CREATE waiver that can be found on the tournament page: https://www.create-found.org/documents/USORelease_WaiverForm_001.pdf

Refund Policy:

All requests for refunds must be made in writing via email. Full refunds will be granted to requests made prior to 1/1/2026. Refunds of \$150 will be issued to teams requesting a refund after 12/31/25 and prior to 2/1/2026. \$100 refunds will be issued to teams requesting a refund prior to 2/20/2026. No refunds will be issued after 2/20/2026. (In rare cases where the user registered for the wrong event, AND CREATE is notified within 48 hours of registration, a full refund might be granted after 12/31/25.)

Emergency / Bad Weather:

Due to the nature of scheduling an event of this size, there is no viable way to have contingency dates due to weather and weather-related events.

Registered Teams

Registration Closed

1	O3031A	Visioneers	Lindsay, NE	Lindsay Academy
2	O3031B	Visioneers	Lindsay, NE	Lindsay Academy
3	O3601A	Tekno Turtle	Saint Paul, NE	St. Paul Public School
4	O3601C	Grinding Gears	Saint Paul, NE	St. Paul Public School
5	O3601D	Twisted Metal	Saint Paul, NE	St. Paul Public School
6	O3601F	RoboCAT	Saint Paul, NE	St. Paul Public School
7	O1064A	Nebraska Nerd Herd	Omaha, NE	Omaha North High Magnet School
8	O1064B	Perfectly Flawed	Omaha, NE	Omaha North High Magnet School
9	O1064C	OPS - YA~BA~DE	Omaha, NE	Omaha North High Magnet School
10	O1064G	G Force	Omaha, NE	Omaha North High Magnet School
11	O1064P	Almost HD	Omaha, NE	Omaha North High Magnet School
12	O1064X	Unknown Variable	Omaha, NE	Omaha North High Magnet School
13	O656O	Sasquatch	Crete, NE	Crete High School

14	O8090B	Schwong-ie	Columbus, Nebraska	Lakeview Robotics
15	O8090C	Backstreet Bot	Columbus, Nebraska	Lakeview Robotics
16	O512A	R.I.A.	Norfolk, NE	Norfolk Public Schools - Aftershock
17	O512B	Wancakes	Norfolk, NE	Norfolk Public Schools - Aftershock
18	O512D	R.I.G.	Norfolk, NE	Norfolk Public Schools - Aftershock
19	O42A	Quantum Buz	Columbus, Nebraska	Columbus High School
20	O42B	The Indubitables	Columbus, Nebraska	Columbus High School
21	O42D	Zahnradknirschen	Columbus, Nebraska	Columbus High School
22	O42E	Free Wee Fee	Columbus, Nebraska	Columbus High School
23	O3604C	Crimson Storm	Central City, NE	Nebraska Christian Schools
24	O3604N	Biohazard	Central City, NE	Nebraska Christian Schools
25	O3604R	Thunderstruck	Central City, NE	Nebraska Christian Schools



2026 U.S. Open Robotics Open Program Tournament Schedule

Iowa West Field House, 5 Arena Way, Council Bluffs, IA

Monday, March 23, 2026

2:30PM-5:30PM	Team Registration
3:00PM-6:30PM	Inspection
3:00PM-8:00PM	Practice
4:00PM-7:30PM	Skills (Each team is allotted 3 attempts at each skills challenge. Teams with top scores at the end of skills at 7:30PM will earn a trophy.)
8:45PM	Venue Closes

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

7:45AM	Pit Opens
8:30AM-9:00AM	Opening Ceremony
9:00AM-9:30AM	Drivers and Coaches Meeting
9:30AM-12:30PM	Qualifying Rounds
12:30PM-1:30PM	Lunch
1:30PM-5:30PM	Qualifying Rounds

The Team Party (food, drinks and games) will begin 10 minutes after the final qualification match in all divisions.

Super Mega Alliance will begin 15 minutes after the Team Party begins.

Party will last approximately 2 hours.

Venue Closes 15 minutes after the Team Party/Super Mega Alliance ends!

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

8:00AM	Pit Opens
8:15AM – 8:30 AM	Awards
8:30AM-12:15PM	Qualifying Rounds
12:15PM-12:30PM	Alliance Selection
12:30PM-1:30PM	Lunch
1:30PM-2:45PM	Finals
3:00PM	Closing Ceremony
4:00PM	Venue Closes



WEBCAST LINK:

<https://create-webcast.netlify.app/home>