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**Fort Atkinson students again capture top honor
at Gateway Sumobot competition**
Kenosha County, Walworth County students also take honors

The Blue Shark Robotics team from Fort Atkinson Middle School captured the top position for a second straight year at Gateway Technical College's annual SumoBot competition, held May 23 at the college's SC Johnson integrated Manufacturing and Engineering Technology Center in Sturtevant.

Blue Shark Robotics also took second place in the Presentation and Documentation category and first in the Timed Task and Speed and Agility categories on its way to beating out more than 400 other student competitors.

Students and their robots competed in four events: Presentation and Documentation, Timed Task, Speed and Agility and SumoBot wrestling. An overall winner of the competition was also crowned.

Another team from Fort Atkinson, Hammerhead Robotics, took first place in the Presentation and Documentation category. The LakeView Technology Academy team Mistakes Were Made took first in the SumoBot wrestling competition.

Walworth County teams taking honors include:

- The Excellent VEXcellents from Elkhorn Area Middle School took third place in the Speed and Agility category.
- Shakina Robotics from Elkhorn Area High School captured second in the SumoBot wrestling competition.
- The Eggs-ecutors team from Reek Elementary School took second in the Timed Task event.

Other **Kenosha County** teams taking honors include:

- Deep Blue from Randall School took third in the Timed Task event.
- The team Paul Blart from LakeView Technology Academy captured third place in the SumoBot wrestling competition.
- The Lakewood Elementary school The Voltage took second in the Speed and Agility event.

Fort Atkinson Middle School took the top three places in the Presentation and Documentation event. In addition to Hammerhead Robotics and Blue Shark Robotics, the Omleteers took honors in that event, placing third.

Organizers say the event provides a way for students explore engineering design from start to finish while having fun. For more information, contact Pat Hoppe (262) 886-7518.

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