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### SHS Tech Competes in BEST Competition

SHS Tech, the robotics team of Springwood School, participated in the BEST Robotics “War Eagle” competition on Saturday, October 10 at the Auburn University Student Activity Center. The national robotic competition is sponsored by BEST (Boosting Engineering in Science and Technology). War Eagle BEST is co-hosted by the College of Sciences and Mathematics and the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering at Auburn University. The main purpose of BEST is to engage and excite students about engineering, science, and technology as well as inspire them to pursue careers in these fields.

Each year student teams are tasked with building a robot to compete against other schools in that year's challenge. The Springwood team, made up of 38 students from 7th to 12th grades, competed against 24 other Alabama area schools consisting of both private and public schools. The SHS Tech Robotics team competed in five categories and received an award in each including: 1<sup>st</sup> place in Spirit and Sportsmanship, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Engineering Notebook, and 4<sup>th</sup> place in Marketing Presentations, Marketing Booth, and the BEST award.



Pictured above: The Springwood Robotics Leadership team included CEO: Lauren Terry, Marketing Managers: Myles Chunanamchaiporn and Olivia Dycus, Programming: Rosie Truong, Business Manager: Beth Moore, Head of Robot Design: Drew Hood, Rules Expert and Field Manager: Steven Stuntz, Head of Outreach: Elizabeth McClendon and Faculty Sponsor: Karlia Wilis. Other team members included: Josh Murphy, Carson Leva, Langley Matthews. Hunter Brawner, Simon He, Case Hoiness, Nam Quang, Venu Reddy, Beck Terry, Abby Alford, Johnathon Caldwell, Anica Choi, Chase Merritt, Peter Kambeitz, Ananth Reddy Thomas Beall, Fisher Brawner, Nathan Clark, Charles Cowart, Jason Cui, Cole Hoiness, Anthony Lowe, Mitchum Smith, Paige Albertson, Jordan Hester, Emily Drake, and Chandler Dykes.