



TEAM DUCT TAPE

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FTC Team Duct Tape CODE OF CONDUCT

Gracious Professionalism and Your Team

In order to be part of *FIRST* Tech Challenge Team Duct Tape, you must agree to our Code of Conduct. Please read this information carefully and if you would like to be a member of the team, please sign below to indicate that you have read and agree to abide by our Code of Conduct and our statement of Gracious Professionalism, which is integral to our success as a team and as individuals.

Gracious Professionalism (GP) is the embodiment of the *FIRST* philosophy. It is how we should strive to act, whether we are being watched or not, and in a way that would make those we admire most proud. Gracious Professionalism demands that we treat others with kindness and respect, communicate with one another clearly and honestly, and resolve conflicts and misunderstandings immediately.

Gracious professionalism encourages us to learn and urges us to compete with heart and spirit, but requires that we treat one another with respect and kindness in the process. Gracious professionalism is part of pursuing a meaningful life. "GP" encourages high quality work, impeccable ethics, respect for yourself and others, and the ability to compete in a gracious manner. "GP" represents everything *FIRST* stands for and, commensurately, that your *FIRST* Tech Challenge team stands for, as well.

Our Code of Conduct

Team members will exemplify Gracious Professionalism by:

- Being respectful to one another, to other teams, coaches, mentors, parents and other adults, to team property, and to our meeting places, at all times.
- Refraining from disruptive behavior that affects your own team or others.
- Being helpful to one another and others whenever the opportunity arises.
- Actively participating in meetings, competitions and events with a willing spirit of cooperation.
- Showing class and dignity whether winning or losing on the field and whatever the outcome of an event.

Consequences of violating our Code of Conduct may include:

1. A written apology to all team members and to anyone else involved that acknowledges and takes responsibility for the specific misconduct and describes how such mistakes will be avoided in the future.
2. Subsequent activity with the team will be on a probationary basis for the remainder of the season or the following build season, whichever comes first, with the understanding that any and all future instances of misconduct will result in the offending parties.

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____