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SUMObots ready to rumble at SIAS

High-school students gear up for SIAS's third robotics competition

March 23, 2011 – SIAS Kelsey Campus in Saskatoon is gearing up for the third annual myRobotRumble SUMObot Challenge. With more than 250 high-school students participating from 49 schools across the province, this will be SIAS's largest SUMObot event yet.

Last November, SIAS provided a SUMO robot kit to each high school registered for the competition. Each kit contained enough parts for two robots. High-school teachers worked with their students to build, program and then test their robots.

The wrestling robots will face off on Thursday.

Media are invited to attend.

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2011

Event: myRobotRumble SUMObot Challenge 2011

Time: 10 a.m. – competition starts
12 noon - 1 p.m. – competitors' lunch and program tours
1 p.m. – final competition rounds begin

Location: SIAS Kelsey Campus Gymnasium
Idylwyld Drive & 33rd Street, Saskatoon

Note: See backgrounder for participating high schools.

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Backgrounder

The competition:

Similar to procedure for traditional Japanese sumo matches, two SUMObots will face off against each other in a ring. The goal is to stay in the ring while pushing the opposing robot out of the ring. The robot that stays in the ring the longest wins the match.

Participating schools:

A. E. Peacock, Moose Jaw
Aden Bowman Collegiate, Saskatoon
Annaheim School, Annaheim
Balfour Collegiate, Regina
Bishop James Mahoney High School, Saskatoon
Borden School, Borden
Canoe Lake Miskiw School, Canoe Narrows
Canora Composite School, Canora
Carlton Comprehensive High School, Prince Albert
Caronport High School, Caronport
Carpenter High School, Meadow Lake
Carrot River High School, Carrot River
Centennial Collegiate Institute, Saskatoon
Dr. Martin LeBoldus High School, Regina
E. D. Feehan Catholic High School, Saskatoon
Evan Hardy Collegiate, Saskatoon
Gravelbourg High School, Gravelbourg
Greenall High School, Balgonie
Gull Lake School, Gull Lake
Hapnot Collegiate, Flin Flon
Humboldt Collegiate Institute, Humboldt
Kerrobert Composite School, Kerrobert
Kinistino School, Kinistino
La Loche Community School - Dene Bldg, La Loche
Lake Lenore School, Lake Lenore
Landis School, Landis
Loreburn Central School, Loreburn
Lumsden High School, Lumsden
Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute, Outlook
Marion Graham Collegiate, Saskatoon
Maymont Central School, Maymont
Melville Comprehensive High School, Melville
Mount Royal Collegiate, Saskatoon
Neilburg Composite School, Neilburg
Perdue School, Perdue
Sheldon Williams Collegiate, Regina

St. Brieux School, St. Brieux
Swift Current Comprehensive High School, Swift Current
Three Lakes School, Middle Lake
Tommy Douglas Collegiate, Saskatoon
Twin Lake School, Buffalo Narrows
Vanier Collegiate Institute, Moose Jaw
Walter Murray Collegiate, Saskatoon
Warman High School, Warman
William Mason School, Choiceland
Winston High School, Watrous
Yorkton Regional High School, Yorkton