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## **We Are The Champions! - Solana Beach School District Celebrates Team BerryBotics**

*Rookie team, BerryBotics, places 1st place in robot performance as participants in the First Lego League.*

**Congratulations to** - Team Berrybotics for winning 1st place in robot performance, as well as the coveted champion award, advancing them to the next level of the first Lego League competition. The team is composed of 6th grade students, Siddharth Goel, Lihito Ikedo, Silas Rostami, Sanjana Nambiar, and Sanmayu Nandipati, who attend either Solana Pacific or Solana Ranch. As a rookie team, BerryBotics was tasked to build and program a LEGO robot to complete a unique set of missions, as well as tackle a real world problem and present a solution. This year's topic was energy, and through the direction and guidance of their primary coach, Shrey Goel, Canyon Crest Academy student, Team BerryBotics created a unique solution to make tidal energy more environmentally safe. With this victory, team BerryBotics advances to regionals!

First Lego League is immersed in inspiring youth through hands-on STEM learning. With this focus, the competition fosters a safe space to illuminate STEM learning and exploration at an early age. The league offers workshops where



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students have access to real-world problem solving experiences, guiding young minds through a global robotics program, and centering on helping students and teachers build a better future together.

The Solana Beach School District takes immense pride in our student's accomplishments. Team BerryBotics' success is a victory for us all, and a testament to our truly exceptional student body. Way to go Team Berry Botics, and best of luck at regionals!

## **ABOUT THE SOLANA BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Solana Beach School District, nestled on the north coast of San Diego County, serves approximately 2,800 students. Instruction is rich, varied and innovative. Our emphasis is on core standards instruction provided through a continuous progressive curriculum. District schools consistently rank at or near the top in district, county and state accountability measures. Our students and schools have received numerous awards and have been recognized at county, state and national levels for a variety of accomplishments. Working together, our mission focuses on providing a safe space where learners find their voice, share their gifts, and advance the world. Unified is our district, centered on inspiring wonder and discovery in learning and life.