



The CSPNE supports the Robotics initiative undertaken by the City of North Bay and Nipissing University

Northeastern Ontario, July 2nd, 2013 – On June 25th, the City of North Bay and Nipissing University announced they were forming a partnership to host an important regional Robotics competition. This event, FIRST Robotics, is part of an international program which will include over 1000 participants, including several hundred students from this area and elsewhere.

The *Conseil scolaire public du Nord-Est de l'Ontario* (CSPNE) is pleased to see the level of interest and commitment shown by major community partners in this field of exploration and discovery, while *École secondaire publique Odyssee* in North Bay announced very recently it was forming a Robotics Club starting in September 2013.

According to the school principal, Lise Dupuis, the project requires community support and recognition, in order to reach its goals and eventually allow us to take part in events as prestigious as the FIRST competition. "For *École publique Odyssee*, our goal is to learn the principles of robotics; we hope to be able to take part in events and competitions before too long, but first we need time to discover the world of robotics and to create a new environment in which our students belonging to the club will have fascinating experiences".

The Robotics Club will be added to the list of extracurricular activities available at Odyssee. While the school's Robotics Club may not yet take part in the FIRST competition, Odyssee will still be well represented by one of its students, Matt Langlois, who is a member of the robotic team 1305 of North Bay.

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