



## RCS DISTRICT ROBOTICS TEAMS ADVANCE TO THE FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

ROCHESTER – The Rochester High School Falcon Engineering and Design Solutions team 201 and the Rochester Adams High School AdamBots team 245 earned the Impact Award at the For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology robotics competition in Michigan.

“Competing against approximately 500 contenders, this award celebrates the teams that have done the most to inspire excitement for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education, advocate for STEM resources, and expand access to STEM opportunities,” RCS Board of Education Secretary Jessica Gupta said in a press release.

To win the Impact Award, students are evaluated on essays, presentations and a video production outlining how their team promotes the mission of FIRST.

“Only five of the 500 teams competing win the Impact Award at the state championship, and two of those five are from Rochester Community Schools. This is incredible and unprecedented,” Gupta said in a press release.

The teams went on to the FIRST Championship in Houston, Texas, April 19-22.

Rochester Community Schools has 127 robotics teams that support K-12 education districtwide, which also include FIRST Lego Leagues and the FIRST Tech Challenge for younger students.