

My mentor was a science teacher from my school, Cynthia Scheetz. Ms. Scheetz is not only a science teacher at school, she is also a mentor on my robotics team which made her the perfect mentor. Since she was in school it was easy to meet with her when needed and she had knowledge about FIRST, FLL, FRC, and Engineering. My mentor helped me come up with an initial plan. While it was my idea to do a robot demonstration to engage the students, she helped me figure out a time as well a way to transport the robot and team members to John S. Martinez. She also helped me realize I would have to convince the teachers to mentor the team once it started and I would have to help the team raise enough money to make sure it was sustainable. She taught me how to calculate the total cost of financing a non profit team like this. She helped me realize I will have to learn to reach out to companies for sponsorships as well as set up fundraisers.