

Celebrate Gold

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Robotics Rooms Remodel

Anna Galatas was a Girl Scout for 13 years as a member of Troop 1677 in Service Unit 606. She recently graduated from North Kansas City High School and plans to attend the University of Notre Dame to pursue her Mechanical Engineering degree.

Anna wanted to find a way to inspire her robotics team and create an inviting space for new members, thereby encouraging more students to get involved in STEM. To create this space she renovated existing rooms that her robotics team uses during the year. She painted, installed new face frames on existing cabinets to display trophies reminding the team members of their accomplishments, and rearranged the rooms to be more collaborative.

Since so many students spend a great deal of time in the robotics room during their build season, she wanted it to feel like a second home. Her hope is that the room renovation will encourage members to stay involved and welcome new members into the world of robotics. When more students are inspired by robotics, they're more likely to continue studying STEM into college and help fill the STEM pipeline of future professionals. The room will continue to be utilized past her involvement by the team for years to come.

"Because of Girl Scouts... I was able to help my community and other girls starting from a young age. Girl Scouts has provided me with opportunities and adventures, like horseback riding, zip-lining, camping, fishing, archery and more, that I wouldn't have gotten to experience if I hadn't joined. I've learned new skills and gained so many fun memories that I will carry with me throughout my life."