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Robotics event results

Nineteen student teams competed last month at the eighth annual Deer Park Invitational, a postseason robotics competition in which teams built and programmed robots — some weighing up to 135 pounds — to battle on a playing field. Points were earned for robots that hung triangles, circles and squares on poles and for “minibots” that were deployed to climb vertical poles.

The victors were a three-team alliance: Team 329 from Patchogue-Medford High School, Team 884 from Malverne High School and Team 1751 from Comsewogue High School in Port Jefferson Station. Finalists were Team 271 from Bay Shore High School, Team 358 from Hauppauge High School and Team 1468 from Hicksville High School.

The event was sponsored by the School Business Partnerships of Long Island, FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) and the Deer Park Union Free School District. — MICHAEL R. EBERT