

Advocacy for New Jersey Mentor-Based STEAM Programs



FRC Team 1676
The Pascack Pi-oneers



Past

- Fourth year attending National Advocacy Conference (NAC) Organizing Committee
- Created the New Jersey Advocacy Conference in 2016
- Meeting with the Governor's Office, the Department of Education, and Assemblyman ← Robert Auth
- Grant from the New Jersey Department of Education



WALLY WATT



Wood-Ridge Spartans



FTC Team 12309

Bectobots



Team 13617

Robo Rams



Present

- Started 4 new FTC teams with grant
- Mentor all aspects of the team
- Goal: to make them self-sufficient



Future

- **New Jersey Advocacy Conference 2.0**
- **Renew the New Jersey Department of Education Grant/Bergen County Pilot**
- **Assist other teams in their advocacy efforts**



Advocacy Tips

- **Build lasting relationships**
- **Keep your connections updated**
- **Utilize all available resources**
- **Connect with your state's education department**
- **Get other teams involved**
- **THIS IS NOT ABOUT YOU!**

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!!



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