



THE STEAM SYNDICATE

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Livingston County *FIRST*® Robotics Challenge (FRC) Team 9455, The DinoMights, won the Rookie All-Star award at the Michigan State Championship Saturday, April 6, 2024. According to *FIRST*®, the Rookie All-Star Award celebrates a team that “exemplifies a young but strong partnership effort, as well as implementing the mission of *FIRST*® to inspire students to learn more about science and technology.”

The judges had this to say about the team: “*You may think this team should be extinct, but they are living large. They are already holding Girl Scout workshops, food drives, and helping FLL teams.*

They also have extensive sponsor recruitment and engagement. For being a new team, their impressive outreach programs really blew the judges away.”



With this award, the team advances to the FRC World Championships in Houston, TX where they will compete with teams from around the world. The DinoMights are a team from The STEAM Syndicate. The team is composed of 11 students in 8th through 10th grade from Hartland Consolidated Schools. The students are actively engaged in growing the program and hope to welcome students from other Livingston County Schools next year.

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Syndicate is a Livingston County non-profit organization offering STEAM-related educational programming for Livingston County residents and students attending Livingston County schools. The STEAM Syndicate currently offers *FIRST* robotics (K-12), Girls Solve IT (girls in grades 4-8), and STEAM-based Scout Merit Badge workshops. The organization plans to continue expanding STEAM-related educational programs in Livingston County in future years. To follow the progress of team 9455 and/or learn more about The STEAM Syndicate and how you or your child can get involved, go to www.steamsyndicate.org or email info@steamsyndicate.org.

