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Gateway Middle School's robotics team honored at state championship

Lego Guardians receive trophy in robot design category



The Gateway Lego Guardians jumped for joy after receiving trophy

On Saturday, Feb. 22 at the state championship in Ellensburg, WA, the Gateway Middle School Lego Guardians robotics team was awarded a trophy for robot design.

"A big deal considering only the top 10% of 590 teams from Canada and Washington get to compete in the state championships," explained coach Brick Baldwin. "The team competed in Ellensburg at Central Washington University and was awarded a trophy for Best Mechanical Design."

"Through the past four years the Lego Guardians have achieved several awards and acknowledgements," added Baldwin. "Please join me in acknowledging the members of Gateways *Lego Guardians* on a job well done, they earned it!"

Congratulations *Lego Guardians*:

- Omeed Beckman, 8th grader, 3rd year with the club
- Arka Bhattacharya, 8th grader, 2nd year with the club
- Shayne Clark, 7th grader, 1st year with the club
- Zach Holly, 8th grader, 1st year with the club
- Isaac Ku, 8th grader, 3rd year with the club
- Neil Lindgren, 7th grader, 1st year with the club
- Dhruvik Parikh, 8th grader, 3rd year with the club
- Kunal Singla, 7th grader, 1st year with the club

"The [FLL World Festival](#) held April 23-26 in St. Louis is not a competition, but more of a celebration, noted Baldwin. "So the state championship is the final level of competition for the Gateway Guardians this year and we are definitely jumping for joy!"

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