

BROTHER RICE HIGH SCHOOL RECEIVES GRANT FROM CHRYSLER FOUNDATION

Funds will send students to 2008 FIRST Robotics Competition

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI – Brother Rice High School is pleased to announce a \$35,000 grant from The Chrysler Foundation for the support of the school's MechWarriors Robotics Team and its participation in the For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) Robotics Competition.

“This generous donation from The Chrysler Foundation allows Brother Rice to focus on giving our students practical experiences and relieves us of the considerable costs of funding this team on an annual basis,” said Brother Rice President John Birney, a 1976 graduate of the school. “Being a part of this team is a memorable time for all of the students and the mentors. Now these young men can continue to build on the success of recent years while representing our school and The Chrysler Foundation in a way that honors them both.”

Founded in 2001, the MechWarriors have been integral to the school's mission of equipping its students with real-life experience and exposing them to careers in engineering. The 2007 campaign resulted in a Great Lakes Regional championship, the most successful season for the team thus far.

“The Chrysler Foundation is proud to sponsor the FIRST robotics team at Brother Rice High School. By helping these students participate in the competition, we are fostering a new generation of engineers and scientists and encouraging students to pursue technical careers,” said Brian Glowiak, Vice President of The Chrysler Foundation.

The 2008 competitive season begins at the University of Pittsburgh March 13, with the Great Lakes Regional on March 27 in Ypsilanti. The season culminates with the FIRST Championship Event, held at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, April 17-20.

Brother Rice High School is a private, fully accredited, four-year Catholic College Preparatory school for young men. Brother Rice was founded in 1960 by the Congregation of Christian Brothers of Ireland. Visit www.brrice.edu for more information, or contact Media Relations at (248) 647-2526, x. 155, or e-mail northrup@brrice.edu.

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