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CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL'S ROBOLANCERS RECEIVE A \$5,000 SPONSORSHIP BY McKEAN DEFENSE GROUP

Philadelphia, PA – McKean Defense Group's vanguard is: "Real understanding. Real commitment. Real solutions." McKean Defense Group's sponsorship of Central High School's robotics team, the RoboLancers (FIRST Team #321), definitely shows real understanding of the extracurricular activity funding problems faced by public high schools in Philadelphia, a real commitment to the future of a diverse group of young people who are committed to pursuing STEM fields through robotics, and a real solution of becoming entrenched with the student members of the RoboLancers to help make the team a continuing success.

Head Coach Daniel Ueda said, "The majority of the RoboLancers' sponsorship comes from Central High School alumni. In the fall of 2013, Joseph Carlini, CEO of McKean Defense Group, 239th graduating class, toured Central High School and was introduced to the RoboLancers. Soon thereafter, McKean Defense Group decided to sponsor the team, becoming its first Diamond Sponsor of the 2013-2014 robotics season. The RoboLancers are extremely grateful for McKean's sponsorship and their commitment to the future of STEM education and Central High School."

The Central High School RoboLancers are a student-operated, adult-mentored robotics team that was founded in 1999 as FIRST Robotics Team 321. The program started with five students from the school and grew into an organization of more than 125 students and ten student mentors. They work with a \$20,000 per year budget and compete in two or three competitions per year. The RoboLancers host various STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) training and outreach programs all over Philadelphia and the team has become a shining example of what students in a struggling urban setting can do if given the opportunity. Additional information about the RoboLancers can be found at <https://www.robolancers.com>.

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