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# Aperture Concludes Their Final Competition Successfully

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On April 2 and 3, FIRST Robotics Competition Team #3142 “Aperture” of Newton High School wrapped up their 2016 season successfully at their second district competition at Bridgewater-Raritan High School.

The team advanced to quarterfinals after maintaining a rank in the top 25 of the qualification matches, with Team #1989 “Vernon Vikings” of Vernon High School and Team #1279 “Cold Fusion” of Immaculata High School as alliance partners.

Aperture won two major awards-- Entrepreneurship and Underwriter Laboratory’s Industrial Safety. Senior Co-Captains Jake Kolzow and Lara Pennell also won the Star of

the Day award.

The team will now be focusing on recruiting new members for the 2017 season and expanding FIRST or For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology and STEM or Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics to the community through outreach events and community service. They will be appearing at the Northern New Jersey Pet Expo on May 7 and at the New Jersey State Fair/Sussex County Farm and Horse Show this summer.
For more information about the team and its events, visit their website at www.newtonroboticsteam.org, or follow them on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter. Visit www.firstinspires.org for more information about FIRST Robotics.

Get updates about what the students of Newton Public School's award-winning robotics division have been up to. A part of FIRST Robotics, Newton Robotics Team has proudly served and contributed to expanding STEM Education (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) to the community and students since its establishment in 2009.

Coached by James Hofmann of Halsted Middle School with the assistance of Darleen Nelson, the program ensures that students from grades five through 12 are provided with an exploration to 21st Century Life and Careers with more hands-on opportunities in Engineering, Science, Business, Public Relations, Marketing, Industrial Safety, and more.
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