

## FIRST Robotics Teams Supported By Chrysler

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Birmingham Groves High Schools;

- Bishop Foley Catholic High School (Madison Heights);
- Bloomfield Hills High School

Capac Community Schools.

- Cardinal Mooney Catholic (Marine City);
- Center Line High School;
- Chelsea High School;
- Dundee High School;
- Genesee Robotics Area Youth Team (Fenton);
- Golightly Vocational Academy (Detroit);
- Goodrich High School;
- Grand Blanc High School;
- Hartland High School;
- Lake Orion High School;
- Linden High School;
- Macomb Academy of Arts and Sciences (Armada);
- Notre Dame Preparatory (Auburn Hills);
- Oakland Tech Northeast (Pontiac);
- OSM Tech Academy at Clarkston High School;
- Oxford Community Schools;
- Pontiac High School;
- Rochester Adams and Stoney Creek High Schools (Rochester Hills);
- Romeo Community Schools (Washington);
- Skyline High School (Ann Arbor);
- Southeastern High School of Technology (Detroit);



Chernoby talks with students.

- Henry Ford II and Stevenson High Schools (Sterling Heights);
- Utica High School;
- Walled Lake Schools;
- Warren Consolidated Schools;
- Waterford Kettering High School.

Ultimately, teams sponsored by the Chrysler Foundation that qualify for the FIRST Championship (April 23-26) in St. Louis will receive a share of a \$15,000 booster fund.

The fund will support the teams during the championship, Frazier said.

Additionally, the Chrysler Foundation announced a \$7,500 grant to FIRST in Michigan.

That grant will go to support district and statewide robotics competitions, and grants of \$750

each to support FIRST Tech Challenge teams in Fenton and Linden.

"The Chrysler Foundation and Chrysler Group are proud to help students discover the rewards and excitement of education and careers in science, engineering, and technology," said Jody Trappasso, senior vice president – External Affairs, Chrysler Group, and president – Chrysler Foundation.

"We are equally proud of our employees who generously mentor students and serve as competition coordinators."

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## Parts Thieves Beware: New Tahoe Not an Easy Target

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key control systems to make it more difficult to start or move the vehicle without an authorized key.

"We have engineered a layered approach to vehicle security," said Bill Biondo, General Motors' Global Vehicle Security lead. "With new standard features and the available theft protection package, we are making the all-new 2015 Tahoe a less attractive target to thieves and more secure for our customers."

If a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe is stolen, standard OnStar can help, Biondo said. Stolen Vehicle Assistance consisting of Stolen Vehicle Location, Stolen Vehicle Slowdown and Remote Ignition Block all can assist law enforcement in stolen vehicle location and recovery.

Safety and security is not just confined to anti-theft technology, Biondo said. Tahoe incorporates new technologies – including radar – that contribute to 360 degrees of crash avoidance and occupant protection. Standard and available features include forward collision alert, front park assist, lane departure warning, lane change assist, rear cross traffic alert and adaptive cruise control.

With lane change assist, the Tahoe's warning aid helps drivers avoid crashes with vehicles

in the next lane, Malcho said. Radar technology coverage is one lane over from both side mirrors and extends back approximately 70 meters from the side mirror.

An orange vehicle symbol in side mirrors illuminates to alert the driver against changing lanes.

Chevrolet's available Safety Alert Seat offers directional vibrations to alert the driver about potential crash threats, Malcho said.

The General Motors-patented seat allows a driver to better grasp the direction of a potential crash threat than beeping that can compete with other noises in the vehicle.

The Tahoe also offers the segment's only front-seat center air bag, in bucket-seat models, Malcho said.

The front-seat center air bag is engineered to provide additional protection for drivers and front passengers in far-side impact crashes, where the affected occupant is on the opposite, non-struck side of the vehicle. In addition, the all-new Tahoe has more high-strength steel in its frame, providing customers with greater protection in a crash.

"Safety and security are our customers' top purchase considerations," said Mark Clawson, Chevrolet Tahoe and Suburban marketing manager.

## Law OKs Driverless Car Tests

LANSING, Mich. (AP) – A new law that will allow companies to test driverless cars on Michigan roads will be a boost for the state's auto industry, according to Gov. Rick Snyder and the sponsor of the legislation.

Snyder signed the bills last week, saying the legislation, which requires a person to be in the driverless vehicle to take the wheel if necessary, was needed to keep Michigan in the lead in vehicle research and design.

"Michigan is the automotive capital of the world," he said in a statement. "By allowing the testing of automated, driverless cars today, we will stay at the forefront in automotive technological advances that will make driving safer and more efficient in the future."

Snyder's office said that Michigan businesses and universities

in Michigan "are leading the way in many intelligent, connected vehicle programs aimed at driverless cars. This legislation . . . is key to the future of research and development of automotive technology in the state."

Both bills were sponsored by state Sen. Mike Kowall, R-White Lake.

Continental Corp. had considered moving some autonomous vehicle testing to Nevada, Kowall said. The company has facilities in Auburn Hills and the Sault Ste. Marie area.

California and Florida also allow such tests.

In November, the University of Michigan announced a collaboration with government and business to make Ann Arbor the first American city with a shared fleet of networked, driverless vehicles by 2021.

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