

From left, Jessica Burnham, Kyle Garand, Richard Zoglio, Kyle Kirkland, students at Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School in Coventry, work on thie robotics project.

Big strides for robotics team

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COVENTRY — The robotics team from the Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School of Coventry is making some big strides.

According to their instructor, Rebecca Henderson, they have not actually secured any tittles at their most recent competitions, but they are gaining some great experience.

She said the team from the Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School of

Coventry is comprised mostly of sixth graders this year with some returning students from grades seven and eight.

The group has attended three events in the past few months. They went to the Technology Student Association competition held at New England Tech and the students placed fourth at that event. They also went to the Robotics Park event, held at Martin Middle School in East Providence and the Transportation Competition held at the University of Rhode Island last week. At that event, Henderson said the students chose to

participate in the chain reaction machine and the parade float.

"The students did not place at that competition, but overall they made significant improvements as a team and accomplished more than expected," Henderson said. "Over the course of this year we have made a lot of improvements, learning the basics of building and programming, and applying those skills while preparing for competitions."

Overall, Henderson said, she is proud of her students and the team and the accomplishments that they have made.