

“WORK HARD, COLLABORATE, IMPROVE.”

## SCOTT KREIGHBAUM

... ACADEMIC & TECHNICAL HONORS GRAD

... ROBOTICS TEAM MVP

... MICHIGAN CITY SUCCESS STORY

Michigan City High School 2018 graduate Scott Kreighbaum plans to turn his passion for robotics into a career.

**EARLY START:** As a child, Scott attended Safe Harbor’s robotics camp – then asked his mom to sign him up for FIRST Lego League in elementary school. “We shared space with the FIRST Robotics (high school) League. I remember watching them work with power tools building this robot to shoot basketballs while we played with Legos.”

**PATH TO VICTORY:** Seven years later, Scott was MVP of Michigan City’s RoboBlitz team, which won the State Championship and advanced to Worlds in Detroit. In the fall, he will study Mechanical and Materials Engineering at Valparaiso University ... where he plans to join the Robotics team.



**REAL-LIFE APPS:** Thanks to a MC Robotics partnership, Scott built pump control panels for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in La Porte. “That’s the wiring you’re actually going to see in business and industry.” During a Robotics field trip to ArcelorMittal, he also realized he was ahead of the game. “We opened up a panel for a robot arm that paints I.D. numbers on rolls of steel, and everything looked very familiar.”

**CAREER READY:** Scott is determined to build his future locally, ideally with a company such as ArcelorMittal or Sullair. “We have great engineering schools in this area, but then people find jobs somewhere else. I’d like to work *here*.”

**KEY TO SUCCESS:** “Success is working hard to solve a problem, collaborating with others to find a solution, and always improving on that solution.”

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