East Flatbush Youngsters Win Lego Robotics Competition

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Some 400 city students put their Lego-building skills to the test in an annual robotics competition in Brooklyn.

Children between the ages of nine to 14 designed, built and operated the Lego creations.

This year, the contest's theme was "How to keep the food supply safe"

"The children are very excited. We already did our research, our teamwork," said Leondra Huertas, a teacher from Young Scholars Academy.

P.S. 399 in East Flatbush took first place and will join 21 other teams going to the regional championship at the Javits Center in March.

"There's a tractor that where you have to harvest corn from it. So we use this contraption to help collect the corn from the tractor and take it back to base," said a student from P.S. 399.

The event was co-sponsored by NY1's parent company Time Warner Cable, which has been involved with education in science and math through the Connect a Million Minds project. For more information, visit www.connectamillionminds.com.