

# CRIMSON RACING NEWSLETTER

May 2018

Greetings from Crimson Racing! While final exams have concluded and summer has arrived, our team is still hard at work preparing for competition. Between Drive Days, making improvements on the car, and revealing the painted and assembled CR18 earlier this month, we've had quite the busy conclusion to a busy school year. As always, we'd like to thank our sponsors for their continued support as we move forward.



Above: Crimson Racing team members speak to area students at a booth set up during the Honda STEAM event in front of Hardaway Hall.  
Below: The newly revealed CR18, featuring IndyCar driver James Hinchcliffe.



Perhaps the most exciting thing that occurred with Crimson Racing this month, both for our team and for our supporters, was the long-anticipated reveal of the CR18 during the annual Honda STEAM event. Students, team members, and groups from the community gathered outside Hardaway Hall on April 18 for the unveiling of this year's car. After the white sheet was removed and the car's design was displayed, we were thrilled to have Verizon IndyCar series driver James Hinchcliffe get behind the wheel of the CR18. Along with the unveil, Crimson Racing also supervised a booth where attendees — including hundreds of area middle and high school students — were able to stop by and learn more about our team. Overall, the event was a success! If you missed the unveil but still want to see the action unfold, a video live-streamed from the event is posted on the team Facebook page.

One of the primary focuses this month was our Drive Days, held over a series of weekends at Sipsey Valley High School. Besides simply providing our team with experience handling the CR18 and getting the car accustomed to being on the asphalt, these Drive Days served as test runs, with competition season rapidly approaching. During our last Drive Day in late April, the CR18 completed a successful mock endurance run. Additionally, the team took note of other minor points about the car's performance during these Drive Days and continued to make improvements and machine some remaining parts for the car, including uprights and steering mounts.

Finally, as the semester has come to a close, competition approaches. Team members will be traveling to FSAE Michigan in mid-May, where they will have the opportunity to show off all the hard work put in by all members of Crimson Racing this school year and compete against formula teams from all over the world. Once again, we'd like to thank all of our sponsors for their continued support and generosity this year as we continue to drive on to the next chapter.



Left: Zach Hagan and David Barnes pose next to the covered CR18 before its unveil on April 18th.

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