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1. Tell us about yourself and your role at AMD.

My name is William Polanco and I work in the AMD technology validation team.

2. What hobbies did you have growing up?

Playing baseball, outdoor games and taking toys apart to learn how they were built.

3. What was your school major and why did you choose it?

I chose electrical engineering because I wanted to work in a power plant on generating electricity. I also hope to one day creating my own source of energy!!!

4. What are your hobbies now?

My hobbies are teaching robotics, coaching baseball and soccer, ridding my bicycle, working on my garden.

5. What does engineering mean to you?

To me, engineering is about knowing how to find solutions to everyday problems.

6. What do you like about working in semiconductors?

I love the challenge of solving problems that have never been solved before.

7. What do you like about being an engineer at AMD?

The opportunity to grow my career and contribute to the development of cool products. I work to drive innovations and decisions to create better technology.



8. What has been your biggest challenge and how do you overcome hurdles?

My biggest challenge was building my first robot to demonstrate how to play in a high school robotics event at the annual BEST Robotics competition. This is a photo of my son at the competition.