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September Coaches Chat

Welcome FLL Challenge & FLL Explore Teams!

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Agenda-

- Combining Explore and Challenge
- New Website
- FLL Blog
- Season Timeline and Important dates
- Registration
- Event Locations
- Qualifier Schedule
- Important links
- Questions?



Combining Explore and Challenge!

Discover, Explore and Challenge are divisions of FLL

Knowledge Sharing

Better preparing our Explore teams for Challenge

Giving Explore teams a place to ask questions- especially of coaches that have already moved up

Coach Blasts, Blog and Website all have parts that are combined "FLL"

New Website and FLL Blog!

Same Address, new look to firstwa.org
Hopefully easier to use and find information
Designed and managed by in-house staff- easier to update and fix!

Switching to a Blog format instead of long emails telling you the same info over and over.

One place to go for information, always current.

Coming soon- community calendar- the ability for teams to add community events to the firstwa calendar to share with the community!







Season Timeline Challenge and Explore-

May-

Team Registration Opens

August-

Challenge Released

September-

- Event registration opens
- Team registration closes for FLL Challenge

October-

FIRST Washington invoices go out

December-

- Qualifier Competitions For FLL Challenge
- First Festivals for FLL Explore

Jan/Feb-

- Semifinal/State Competitions for FLL Challenge
- Possible winter Festivals for Explore

March-

Spring Festivals for FLL Explore

April-

World Festival





Important Dates for FLL Challenge!

September- December-

Event registration opens 2nd/3rd- Qualifier weekend 1

15th- OSPI Grant Opens 9th/10th-Qualifier weekend 2

29th- OSPI Grant Closes <u>January</u>

30th- FIRST Washington Grant Closes 20th/21st- Semifinals*

30th- Team registration closes <u>February</u>

October- 4th- West WA State Championships**

Mid Oct. FIRSTWA invoices go out *Western WA

31st- payment or P.O. must be received ** EAST TBD

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Important Dates for FLL Explore!

September-

Event registration opens

October-

Mid Oct.- First set of *FIRST*WA invoices go out

December-

2nd/3rd- Winter Festival events

January/February

Possible Second round of Explore Festivals

March

Spring Festival Events

April*

Registration closes

*Possible end of the season Festival depending on interest





Registration-

Team Registration-

Open now at firstinspires.org

FIRST Washington Registration-

Open now at firstwa.org

Event Registration-

 For both Challenge and Explore- Coming soon, hopefully 9/15 or 9/18. Fingers crossed!











Event Locations- Challenge

Bellevue
Tacoma
Federal Way- New!
Everett
Issaquah- Returning!

Snohomish Spokane

Tri-Cities- 1 or 2 depending on registration numbers

Unknown but not likely-

Camas- can add, but only if enough teams register! Wenatchee





Event Locations- Explore

December-

- Bellevue
- Snohomish

January/February-

Spokane?

March-

- Snohomish
- Yakima

April/May-

TBD- based on interest





Qualifier Event Schedule- Challenge

This is general info. You should receive an email from your event host with specific details.

- Doors will open for check in at 8
- Check in is from 8-8:30
- Coaches meeting 8:30
- Practice time 9-12
- Judging 9-12:30
- Opening Ceremonies 1:00
- Qualification matches 1:15-4:15
- Awards 4:30

Festival Schedule- Explore

Check in

Set up display

Opening Ceremony

Reviewing Begins

Activity

Closing Celebration and Awards

Cleanup

*Festivals can be run either in the morning or the afternoon, but are most often run in the afternoon



Important Links-

Team Registration- Both Challenge and Explore

https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/fll/cost-and-registration

FIRST Washington Registration and Event Registration when open-

- Challenge- https://firstwa.org/challenge-registration/
- Explore- https://firstwa.org/explore-registration/

FLL Blog-

https://firstwa.org/fll-blog/





Next Coaches Chat- October 12th 2023 Using Microsoft Teams-Link Coming!

Questions?