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# January Coaches Chat



# Welcome FLL Challenge Teams!

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# Agenda-

- Important dates
- Semifinals
- Schedule
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- What to bring!
- Open Invitationals and World Festival
- Important links
- Questions?



# Important Dates for FLL Challenge!

## January

20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>- Semifinals\*

27<sup>th</sup>- Eastern WA State Championship

## February

4<sup>th</sup>- West WA State Championships

*\*Western WA*

## April

17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>- World Festival in Houston  
Texas

# Semifinal Info-

Run the same as the Qualifiers

7 teams advance from each event

Expect a little higher level competition, and referees to be stricter on the rules at both the semifinals and state championships.

Awards will be the same as the Qualifiers



## Semifinal 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 8:45-11:30
- Opening Ceremonies 12:15
- Qualification matches 12:30-3:30
- Awards 4:00



## State Championship info-

Eastern Washington State 1/27- at EWU in Cheney at the Pence Union building

Western Washington State 2/4- at the Amazon meeting center in Seattle-  
*For those that advance, there is a specific procedure Amazon requires for attendees, so watch your email next week.*

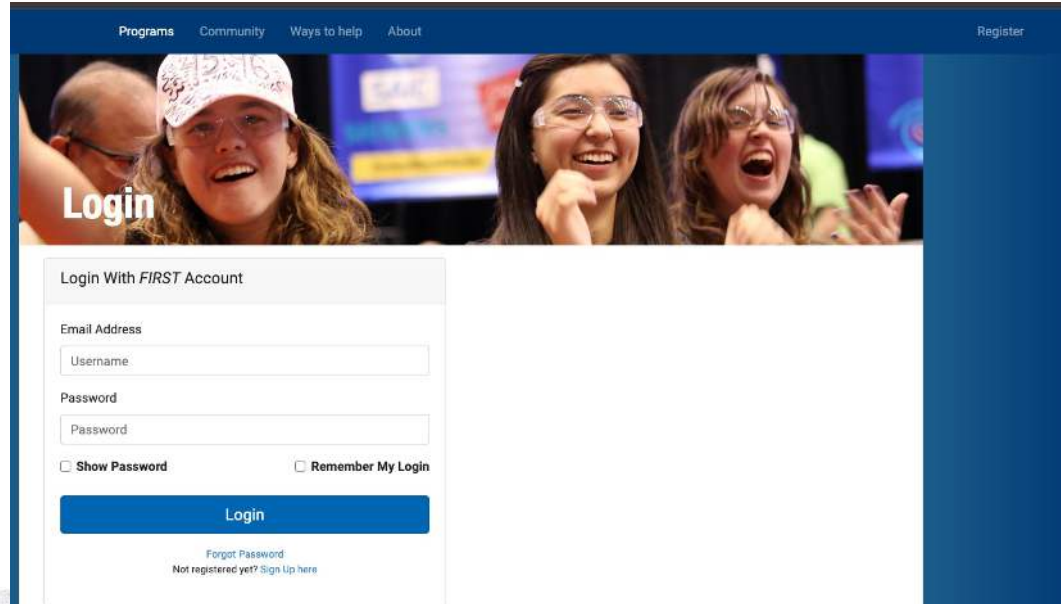
Awards given will be slightly different. In addition to the core awards, we will be giving out some optional awards as well.

1 team from each event will advance to the World Festival in Houston



# Printing your Roster

You access your roster from your FIRST Inspires Dashboard. You go to log in here-

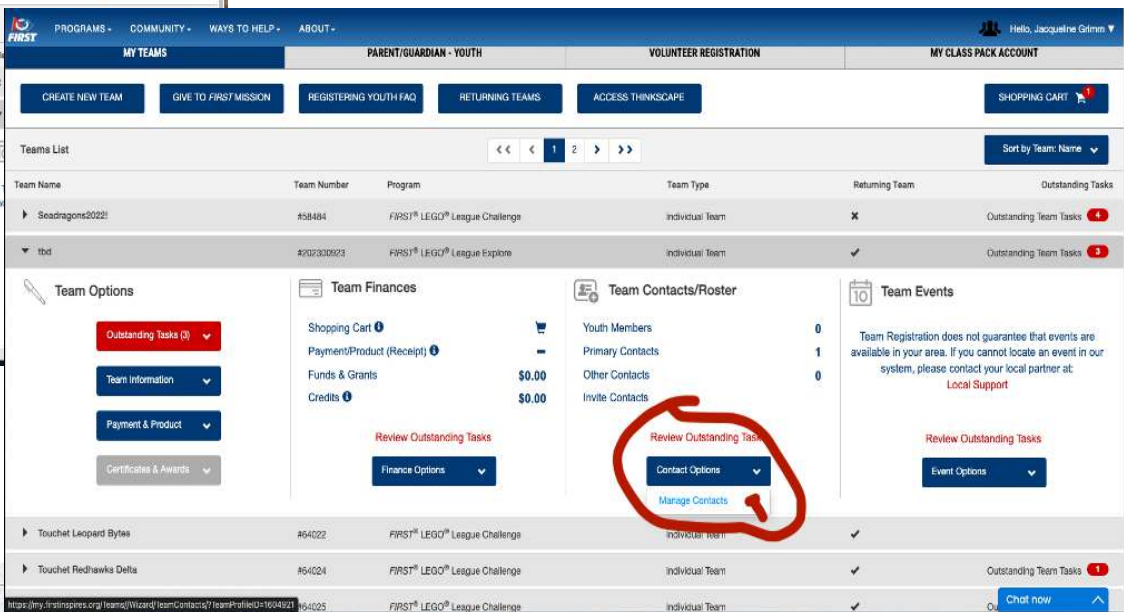
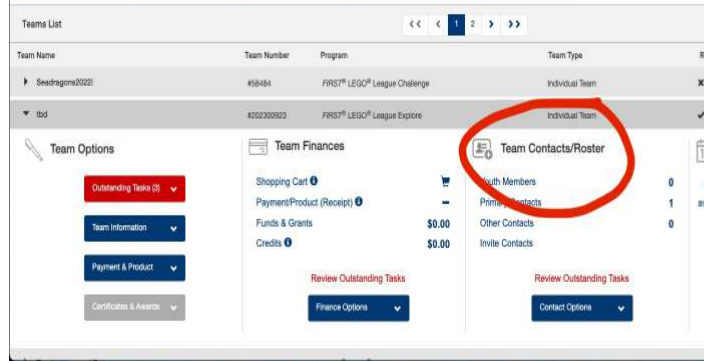
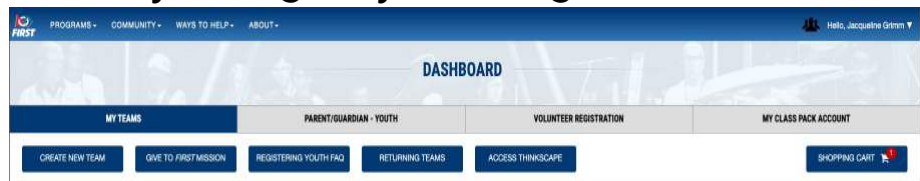


The screenshot shows the FIRST Inspires Dashboard login page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Programs, Community, Ways to help, and About, and a Register link on the right. Below the navigation bar is a large banner image featuring three young women wearing safety glasses and smiling. The word "Login" is overlaid on the left side of the banner. Below the banner is a login form titled "Login With FIRST Account". The form contains fields for Email Address (with a Username placeholder) and Password. There are checkboxes for "Show Password" and "Remember My Login". A blue Login button is at the bottom of the form. Below the button are links for "Forgot Password" and "Not registered yet? Sign Up here".



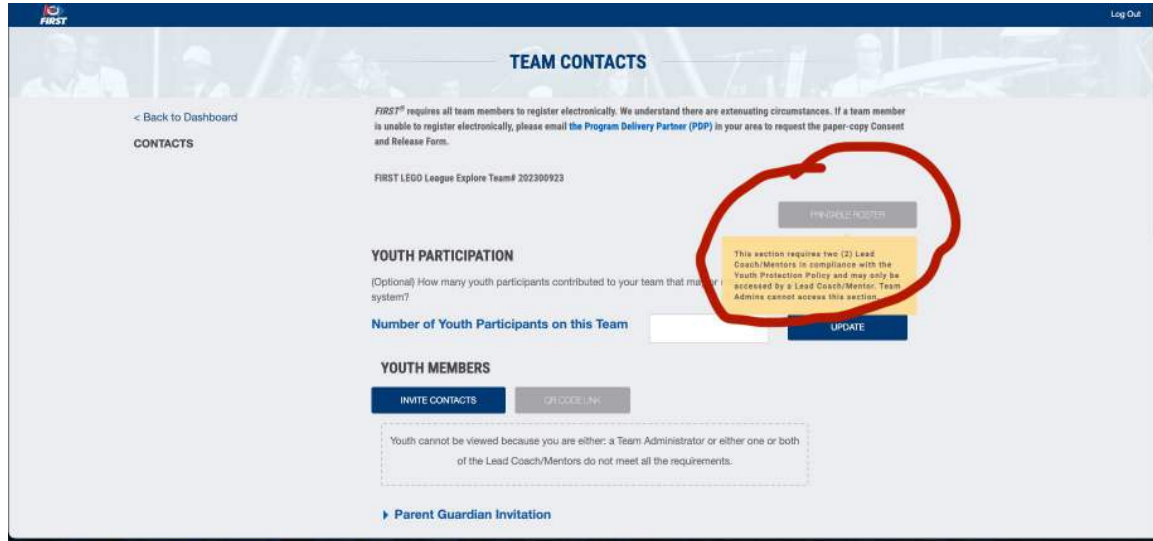
# Printing your Roster cont'd

Once you log in, you will go here to access your roster-



# Printing your Roster cont'd

After you click 'Manage Contacts', it will take you to this screen, where you print your roster-



As you can see, mine is greyed out and has help text. I am unable to print because I do not have a lead coach 1 and a lead coach 2 assigned and passed the youth protection screening (ypp)



# Roster Cont'd

If your students are not listed on your roster with a green check mark, then they are missing something. If you have no students listed, email me and I will send you the paper consent forms for the parents to sign.

***You must bring the consent forms and roster to every event your team attends- regardless if there are students listed or not!***

***Reminder- Teams are between 2 and 10 students.***



# What to Bring to Your Event-

Robot and attachments

- Extra robot batteries and charger (if rechargeable)

Laptop computer or tablet for program changes

- Make sure you know how to update without WIFI!

Project Presentation

- Any materials needed. FIRST WA does not provide any technology for teams to use.
- If tech is needed, teams are responsible for providing, and must set up withing their 30 minute judging session.

Food, drinks and snacks (unless otherwise noted)

- Some events have concessions available

Extension cord and power strip

Team Roster

- Includes Consent and Release indication for each student

Students registered online by parents in FIRST Dashboard

- Paper consent forms if not registered online

A positive attitude and lots of enthusiasm to cheer for your team!





## World Festival and Open Invitational Info-**Challenge**

This season I have lots of spots to things!

- 2 spots for World Festival in Houston April 17-20- go to the Champions Award winning teams from the 2 State Championships
- The 2 Champions Award Finalist teams can choose from
- The Western Edge Invitational in California- May 31-June 2
- WPI Open Invitational in Massachusetts- June 7-9
- American Robotics Invitational in New Jersey- May 18-19

I have two spots in each Invitational, so the leftover spots will be opened up to Award winning teams at the two championships in a lottery, then if I still have space, to the teams attending the 2 championships.

# Important Links-

FLL Blog-

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





**Good Luck in the Semifinals and State Championships!**

**Questions?**