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SunDome District Site Specific Information February 28, 2024









#### Competition schedule



#### SunDome District Event Schedule March 14 - 16, 2024

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March 14	Competition Schedule					
5:00PM-8:00 PM	Pits Open					
March 15						
8:00AM-11:00AM	Pits Open, Inspections, Field Measurement/Calibration, Practice Rounds					
11:00AM-11:15AM	Opening Ceremonies					
11:15AM-1:00PM	Qualification Matches					
1:00PM-2:00PM	Lunch					
2:00PM-6:45PM	Qualification Matches					
7:00PM*	Pits Close					
March 16						
8:00AM	Pits Open					
9:00AM-9:15AM	Opening Ceremonies					
9:15AM-11:00AM	Qualification Matches					
11:00AM-11:30PM	Alliance Selections					
11:30AM-12:30PM	Lunch					
12:30PM-3:30PM	Final Rounds & Awards Ceremony					
4:00 PM*	Pits Close					

\*Schedule subject to change. All times are estimated based on flow of rounds. See Pit Administration table for updated times.









#### Activity Schedule



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March 15						
	Menstrual Equity: No host at this time					
See schedule on door	Quiet Room hosted by: No host at this time					
1:00 PM/beginning of lunch	Sr Photo on the competition Field					
End of match play	Alum Photo on the competition field					
March 16						
	Menstrual Equity: No host at this time					
7:00 AM	Mentor Coffee, (See Pit Admin for room)					
See Schedule on door	Quiet Room hosted by: No host at this time					
8:45 AM	Line up for Mascot Parade					
11:30 AM	FLL Explore Expo					
When done with match play	Return Zebra Tags					

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## SunDome



Is a Thursday, Friday, Saturday event

Day 1 is Thursday

Day 2 is Friday

Day 3 is Saturday

To lessen confusion, the rest of this PowerPoint will talk about Day 1, Day 2 and Day 3

#### **District Event RSVP**



For each of your district events, we need you to RSVP on

https://firstwa.org/frc-rsvp/

On the form, please fill in:

- Which event you are RSVPing for
- · The onsite main contact for each team
- We need a contact mobile phone number for your team Please don't list a school number, you are not at the school when we need to reach you!
- Tell us if you need a table, or you won't get one!
- Please do this by **Friday**, **3-1-24** (if you fill it out after this, you will not be guaranteed a table)

# **Logistics: Where is the event?**







## Parking

There is plenty of parking at the venue.

There is no overnight parking available

You may park trailers in the far end of the lot by the ballfield but you may **NOT** park it overnight



#### **Logistics: Food**



There will be light concessions at the even Bringing Food?

- Yes, you may bring food into this venue
  - If weather is nice, please eat outside.
- You will need to pack up your eating area every night when you leave. Please don't leave your food tables set up overnight!

Clean up after yourself

#### **Schedule Overview: Whole Event**



#### Day 1:

Load in and inspection

#### Day 2:

- Inspection,
- Driver & Coaches Meeting will be at 8:30 am This is a change!
   Keep in mind inspection AND judging is also happening at this time so plan accordingly.
- Practice matches
- Qualification Matches

#### Day 3 AM:

Qualification Matches

#### Day 3 PM:

Final Rounds / Team Departures

#### Load-In



Follow instructions from onsite staff.

You may NOT park in the loading area. The driver MUST stay with the vehicle. Drop it and park in designated area. Staff your unload team appropriately to make this happen.

Bring a cart! You will need a cart with at least 3" diameter wheels. Our cable protection bumps are 2" in height. We recommend 4" or larger wheels.

Load in day is not final build day, your goal is to pass inspection Day 2 morning!

# **Arrival & Parking Day 2**



Please arrive after 8:00 am

Please do not arrive before 8:00 am!

Please do not show up early!

- The doors may be open, please don't come inside until 8:00 am
- If you show up early, expect to wait outside the building even if the weather is bad

## **About the pit Power**



#### Pit power is limited. We are putting up to 6 teams on a single 20 amp circuit

- Charge your batteries overnight at home / hotel
  - (Remember: 12 rounds may require several batteries)
- No compressors or other large motors
- Limit 400 watts per team, 2400 watts per 6 team Power Alliance
- Lighting should go with low wattage

#### High school gyms have very little power

- You may NOT use any outlets in the gym
- The game equipment uses all available power
- We will remove and confiscate any equipment from gym outlets until after awards ceremony on Saturday. You have been warned!

# **Safety Glasses**



Teams are expected to provide safety glasses for their team members and spectators to use in the pits

We will not be handing out any safety glasses out to teams at this event.

# **Team Volunteer Requirements**



All teams will be required to help staff the safety glass table.

Though we will not be distributing safety glasses this year, we will need 2 people at a table outside the pits checking to be sure anyone entering the pits is wearing safety glasses. Please sign up for a slot when you check-in your team.

Other event volunteer opportunities include Practice Field staff, field reset, queueing, ambassadors.









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	Team #	Team Name	School/Organization	City	State		Team #	Team Name	School/Organization	City	State
1	492	Titan Robotics Club	International School	Bellevue	WA.	15	4131	Iron Patriots	Liberty High School	Renton	WA
2	1318	Issaquah Robotics Society	Issaquah High School	Issaquah	WA	16	4513	Circuit Breakers	Medical Lake High School	Medical Lake	WA
3	1595	The Dragons	St George's School	Spokane	WA	17	4692	Metal Mallards	Toutle Lake School	Toutle	WA
4	2147	CHUCK	West Valley High School	Spokane	WA	18	4980	Canine Crusaders	Kettle Falls High School	Kettle Falls	WA
5	2811	StormBots	Skyview High School	Vancouver	WA.	19	5468	Chaos Theory	Summit High School	Bend	OR
6	2926	Robo Sparks	Wapato Senior High School	Wapato	WA.	20	5920	VIKotics	Garfield - Palose HS	Palouse	WA
7	3574	HIGH TEKERZ	Highline HS, 4-H 3574 High	_		21	6076	ReVamp	Northport High School	Northport	WA
			Tekerz, Horne School	Renton	WA	22	6343	Steel Ridge Robotics	Ridgefield High School	Ridgefield	WA
8	3712	RoboCats	Union High School	Union	OR	23	6443	AEMBOT	Liberty High School	Hillsboro	OR
9	3876	Mabton LugNutz	Mabton Jr Sr High School	Mabton	WA	24	6831	A-05 Annex	Hood River Valley HS	Hood River	OR
10	4060	Bearcat Robotics	W F West High School	Chehalis	WA.	25	8532	Classified	Umatilla High School	Umatilla	OR
11	4061	SciBorgs	4H P.A.R.T.	Pullman	WA	26	9438	Leopard Tech	Cove School	Cove	OR
12	4089	Stealth Robotics	Cedarcrest High School	Duvall	WA	27	9613	Kennewick	Kennewick High School	Kennewick	WA
13	4104	Cheney Circuit Cyclone	Cheney High School	Cheney	WA.	28	9680	SIA Phoenix Rising	Spokane Intl. Academy	Spokane	WA
14	4125	Confidential	Umatilla High School	Umatilla	OR			g			

Map reference only, not drawn to scale

# Wheel requirements for carts, boxes, and anything rolling



Our venues will have power cord covers (aka Yellow Jackets)

• Our yellow jackets are 2" tall

Your FRC robot cart MUST have > 3" diameter wheels

- Wheels must be in good working order. No damaged or stuck wheels. Soft rubber. No hard plastic or steel tread wheels.
- Maximum weight for your carts, tool boxes, etc will be 50 lbs per inch of wheel size (1 cart, 4 x 3" wheels, 600lbs max)

Under no circumstances will we allow wheels less than 3" in diameter on ANY equipment / boxes / carts

- Very high likelihood of damage to floors
- · You won't clear our cable management equipment

All wheels must be non marking rubber or synthetic wheels

No steel wheels. No sharp wheels.

# Who to bring Day 1



You really want your core robot builders and mentors Day 1. With the change in the drivers meeting, your drivers are no longer needed Day 1

Depending on your teams logistics, you might consider having a partial team Day 1 and the whole team Day's 2 & 3.

Day 1 is NOT a good spectator day

It is ALL in the pits Day 1.

# **Day 1: Inspection Process: 5PM**



#### Inspection involves 4 steps

- Size and weigh-in at the inspection station
- Control system inspection at the CSA station
- Physical robot inspection at your pit starting 5PM
- Connection to the field controller at least once by Day 2 morning
  - Our goal is for you to be able to connect Day 1 night if you are ready.

Inspectors are your friend! Inspectors are here to help get you on the field safely and fairly. They will help you pass inspection.

# Starting the inspection process



You may enter the weight / size line at any time after 5PM Day 1.

After weight and size, stop at the CSA desk for the control software check.

You may sign up at the Inspection desk for an in-pit inspection appointment starting at 5 PM. We invite you to sign up early.

# **Inspection Tips**



It is rare for a robot to pass inspection on the first attempt. It is an iterative process.

PLEASE: Get inspected early, even if you are not ready. You might have an issue that takes time to fix.

All teams must connect to field as part of inspection.

You MUST pass inspection to earn qualifying points.

# **WPA Key Assignment**



Your robot radio (WPA Key) must be reprogrammed at <u>each</u> event you attend.

This is required to connect & compete at the field.

A kiosk (with instructions) is provided for you to program your radio.

The kiosk will be located at inspection or pit admin

## **Word to the Wise**



Day 1 is not the final build day. It is pass inspection day!

Do not be bashful about asking for help. We have all been there before.

# What you should bring to check in



Team Rosters with all your STIMS information to EACH of your events (including handwritten consent forms for anyone not listed on your TIMS roster) – The expectation is that your students/mentors have registered online, please only bring printed rosters for those who absolutely can't get registered online. (You can find a copy of the roster in both English and Spanish on our website here: <a href="https://firstwa.org/resources/">https://firstwa.org/resources/</a>)

All cords should be labeled with your team number on BOTH ends so we can figure out what plugs in where.

#### You MUST BRING YOUR OWN SAFETY GLASSES

- For your entire team, parents, mentors and visitors
- We will not have safety glasses on site for participants or spectators

#### **Veteran Teams**



**Bring Spare Parts** 

Please consider bringing unused sensors, motors, control units, and hardware for loan to other teams.

Many teams may not quite be done with their robot. Please look around and if you see a team in need, take time to help get their robot ready to compete!

# End of Day 1



The pits close at 8:00PM on Day 1.

You MUST BE OUT OF THE BUILDING before 8:00PM.

We dislike doing it, but we will come lead you out of the building starting at 7:55PM. No exceptions.

# Day 2 morning is for Inspections



Your primary goal for Day 2 morning is to get your robot to pass inspection.

This is a short and intense activity. Preparation is the key to making it a good day.

Asking for help is a good thing. Providing another team help is the highest honor in *FIRST*. Don't be bashful.

Teams with lower numbers have experience

# **Drivers Meeting at 8:30 am Day 2**



- The Drivers Meeting is scheduled for 8:30 pm Day 2
- From what we understand, as of right now Q & A will be handled a like last year
  - Pit Admin will have a paper Q & A forms
  - Team members can fill out the form with their questions and turn them in at Pit Admin
  - The deadline to turn in forms is prior to pits closing Day 1
  - Forms turned in on Day 2 may not be addressed at the drivers meeting
  - Remember, judging and inspection are both happening during the morning as well. Make sure you have students in your pits.

# **Practice Rounds: Day 2 morning**



Practice matches are scheduled, and will run Day 2 according to the schedule the FTA's put together

You have to pass inspection to run a practice match.

It is very common for teams not to be ready for their scheduled match in the mornings. We will accept teams on a first come/first served basis who wish to take an unscheduled practice round. Check in with the Lead Queuer to get on the list.

Priority will always be given to teams scheduled and/or teams who have not been on the field at least once. Be gracious and professional if you get bumped for a higher priority team.

# Connecting to the field: The Final Step



If you run a practice match during Day 2 morning, the field computer will remember that as your last step of the inspection process.

If you are unable to make a practice match, we are going to ask you to take your robot and control system out to the field for a quick 5 minute test to ensure your system can connect to the field. Your robot will not be on the field, we will simply connect it to the field while sitting on your cart.

THIS IS A MANDATORY STEP!

Many simple issues are solved by doing this that would otherwise cause you problems when it really counts!

# **Machine Shop Open: Day 2**



We have a volunteer machine shop onsite to help you fabricate replacement parts.

The shop has small mills, lathes, and various other tools.

ONLY AUTHORIZED MACHINE SHOP VOLUNTEERS MAY USE THESE TOOLS!

We have excellent volunteer machinists. However, there are limits to what they can do for your team.

We may have a TIG welder

The machine shop has request forms for your team. It will be located near the loading ramp on the arena floor.

In general, the machine shop will NOT loan you tools.

# Day 3: Load Out



No parking in load out area.

Load out during playoff rounds on Day 3 is fine

Reminder, if you have agreed to be a backup robot, you should wait to load out so you can be prepared to compete if needed.

## **Quiet Room, Menstrual Equity & Workshops**



Menstrual Equity Host: We have no host for this event

**Gender Neutral Bathrooms** We do have Gender Neutral Bathrooms at this event, see Pit Admin for info.

Quiet Room Host: We have no quiet room host at this event

**Workshops:** We have no workshops at this event

#### **Additional Activities:**

- Unified Robotics will be hosting a table
- FLL Expo (Saturday only)
- Sponsor area

## Mentor Coffee - New this year!



We are endeavoring to host a mentor coffee at our District events this season to celebrate all of you!

At SunDome: Eric Stokely will be hosting a mentor coffee at 7:00 am on Day 3

This is an opportunity for adult mentors to get together to chat, collaborate & socialize. We would love to see mentors from all teams in attendance at this event!

**Note:** Students will still not be allowed inside the building until 8:00 am Sunday. Please plan accordingly for your students.

# Queueing App (Nexus)



We will be the queueing app at our events this year. We are hoping that it makes queueing easier both for teams and volunteers.

Note: This does not replace the queueing volunteers. If a volunteer is asking you to queue, follow their direction please.

With the queueing app, you will be able to:

- Set up notifications for up to people
- Set up notifications for 1 channel (slack or discord)
- Anyone can look on their phone to see who is being queued

# Queueing App (Nexus)



You will receive a QR code in your check in packet that will help you set up the team members to be notified.

Note: This is not an official FIRST app and we do not guarantee that it is accurate but hope as our queueing team gets comfortable with the app, it will be a helpful tool to teams. If a queuer comes to get you in your pit, please follow their instructions.

## **Alliances & Backups**



Our events will all culminate in playoff rounds where the top 8 teams select 2 alliance partners. 24 teams will compete in the playoff rounds.

If you are not chosen for an alliance, please stick around in the "alliance selection area" for a few moments. A referee will be coming around with a form asking if you can/will stay to be a back up.

- Please be prepared to answer this question in the event you are not picked for an alliance
- IF you sign the form stating you will stay you need to commit to staying. If you leave, you may be depriving one of the competing teams of a 3<sup>rd</sup> alliance partner in the event they need a back up. If you are gone, they will **NOT** go to the next team in line.
- Be sure you understand your ranking at the end of alliance selection and are prepared to compete!
- This season, the back up rules have changed. Make sure you understand what the rules are prior to your event.

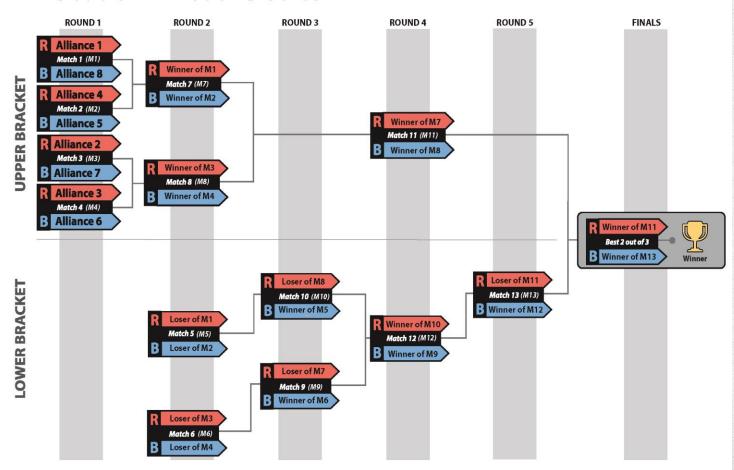








#### **Double Elimination Bracket**









### What to know



#### During the quarter & semi final rounds

- There is a upper bracket and a lower bracket so you will not play the same team in every match
- You are still out after 2 losses
- There no more time outs
- There is only one 6 minute break prior to the awards breaks
- Match cycle times will be slower than the qualification rounds



### **During the finals rounds**

- This round is the best 2 out of 3 (Does not matter if you have a loss from the quarter or semi final rounds)
- There are 15 minute breaks between each round
- We will hand out awards during the 15 minute breaks
  - There may be times when the awards take longer than 15 minutes, however, the expectation is that your team will be prepared to take the field at the end of 15 minutes.



#### Thanks for viewing

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