









District Event Briefing February 13, 2025











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Logistics of this Webinar

This presentation is going to move very quickly!

We ask you all to keep your microphones muted.

Feel free to ask questions by typing or hit the raise hands button. If you raise your hand, we will invite you to unmute.

We will attempt to summarize and answer similar questions in mass.

There is a **TON** of information in these slides, we may decide to hold much of the Q&A until the end so be prepared to write down your questions and ask them at the end.

These slides and a recording of this presentation are on

https://firstwa.org/webinars/



Before your event

- Team Communication Extremely important you read these
- Event specific briefings are online soon (Oregon State Fair & Glacier Peak are already posted)
- District team RSVP



Team Communication

The District communicates directly to team main and alternate contact

- PLEASE be sure to forward appropriate information regarding event specifics to the rest of your students, mentors & parents
- Parking is a big issue at many events. We expect you to communicate parking information to the appropriate members of your team.
- Please also pass along messages about volunteer opportunities for students and parents.



Event Specific Briefings are Online Soon

- Event specific documents are posted 2 weeks prior (Oregon State Fair & Glacier Peak have been posted)
- We will email the main and alternate contact this information as well
- Site specific information will include food options, parking & load-in instructions, bus and trailer parking, and other things specific to each site.
- You will find them on each event page at https://firstwa.org/competitions/
- BE SURE to forward information on to team members and parents



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! (if you don't register 2
 weeks in advance you are not guaranteed a table)



At Your Event

- Schedule
- Load in/Check in
 - What you should bring
- Drivers Meeting
- Pit area rules and restrictions
- Team Volunteer Requirements
- Alliances and backups













Sample Schedule

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2025 DISTRICT SCHEDULE

PNW GLACIER PEAK DISTRICT EVENT

Competition Schedule

Activities Schedule

Friday, February 28 (Day 0)		
5:00PM - 8:00PM	Pits Open, Load In	

MA00:8	1 (Day 1) Pits Open	
8:30AM - 10:45AM	Driver's Meeting, Field Open for Measurement and Calibration & Practice Matches	
11:00AM - 11:15AM	Opening Ceremonies	
11:15AM - 1:00PM	Qualification Matches	
1:00PM - 2:00PM	Lunch	
2:00PM - 8:30PM	Qualification Matches	
~8:30PM	Pits Close	

See Schedule on door	Quiet Room Open (hosted by 5588)	
8:30AM	Drivers Meeting	
11:30AM - 2:00PM	FLL Explore Expo	
1:00PM	Sr Photo on comp field	
2:00PM -3:00PM	CTSO Discussion	
3:00PM - 4:00PM	Leadership Listening Session with Eric Stokely & Alida Mendes-MacCracken	
5:00PM - 6:00PM	GEMS (Gender Equity Movement in STEM) hosted by 948 & 9036	
End of Matches	Alum Photo on the Comp field	

Sunday, March 2 (Day 2)		
8:00AM	Pits Open	
9:00AM - 9:15AM	Opening Ceremonies	
9:15AM - 11:00AM	Qualification Matches	
~11:00AM - 11:30AM	Alliance Selections	
11:30AM - 12:30PM	Lunch	
12:30PM - 3:30PM	Playoff Matches & Awards Ceremony	
~4:00PM	Pits close 30 minutes following the close of the Closing Ceremony	

Quiet Room Open (hosted by 5588)	
Mentor Coffee (See Pit Admi for details as to where)	
Line up for Mascot Parade	

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



Schedule Overview: Whole Event

Day 0:

- Load in and inspection
- Day 1:
- Inspection,
- Driver & Coaches Meeting will be at 8:30 am Keep in mind inspection AND judging is also happening at this time so plan accordingly.
- Practice matches
- Qualification Matches
- Day 2, AM:
- Qualification Matches
- Day 2, PM:
- Final Rounds / Team Departures



Arrival & Parking

Pits open for load in at 5 PM on load in day

- You may queue prior to 5 PM but you will not be allowed to enter the building
- Remember, once pits open at 5 pm, you are no longer able to work on your robot in your shop.

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



Simple rules on arrival

Do NOT show up early

If you arrive earlier than expected, feel free to visit a nearby coffee shop to wait until it is time to arrive at the venue. You will need to wait outside the building regardless of weather so come prepared

Please don't get after the staff or volunteers for not letting you early if you show up early and attempt to enter the building



What you should bring

Bring team rosters with all of your team information to **EACH** event you attend (including handwritten consent forms for anyone not listed on your 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

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

You MUST BRING SAFETY GLASSES

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

You must bring

- 1 each 15' extension cord 16ga or 14 ga
- 1 each 40' extension cord 16ga or 14 ga
- 1 6 outlet power strip
- 1 each 2' x 2' x 34" Plywood pounding board



Pit Etiquette

Your team has a 10' x 10' pit space

- Please keep inside your 10'x10' pit space
- Do not setup in the isle / walkway / or expand beyond 10' This includes storage space. Everything you bring needs to be stored in your pits
- Please do not set up an area to feed your students inside unless there is a designated eating area.

In general, your pit space is on a hardwood basketball court

- It is your responsibility to not damage the floor
- Your pit decorations must not have sharp edges on the bottom
- Your team should bring a 2' x 2' x ½" plywood for any pounding that needs to be done

ALL WHEELS MUST BE 3 inches in diameter minimum

• We recommend 5" for the cable crossing. Wheels < 3" will not be allowed on the hardwood floors.



Power rules

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

- Power generator is shut down overnight (if there is a generator)
- Batteries may not be charged in the gym overnight, it is a safety issue
- No compressors or other large motors
- Limit 400 watts per team, 2400 watts per 6 team Power Alliance
- Lighting should go with low wattage like LED
- Do not plan to charge your batteries at the school overnight

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 unplug / remove / confiscate any equipment from gym outlets or any outlets in the halls or area surrounding the gym until after awards ceremony. You have been warned!



Drivers Meeting at 8:30 am Day 1

- The Drivers Meeting is scheduled for 8:30 am Day 2
- The 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 0
 - Forms turned in on Day 1 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.



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 shift at Pit Admin when you check in your team

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



Quiet room at events

FIRST has asked that we work to offer quiet rooms at all of our events. We need to have teams host these to be able to support FIRST's request. We will only offer a quiet room where we have a willing host. 5588 provides a tote on each truck with quiet room supplies and will be contacting our hosts this year to give information on what is expected of the quiet room host

Most events did not have a team sign up to host so please plan accordingly if there is not a quiet room at an event your team is attending and you have someone who needs this space.

Week 1	Week 3	Week 6
Oregon State Fair- No Host	SunDome - No Host	District Championships – 5588 if they
Glacier Peak - 5588	Bonney Lake – 5588	
Week 2	Week 4	
Clackamas - No Host	Wilsonville – have an alternate viewing	
Sammamish – 5588	space that is quieter but no hosted quiet room	

Auburn - 3219



Menstrual Equity at events

Menstrual Equity refers to the idea that everyone should be provided access to affordable menstrual hygiene products. Lack of access to products can cause discomfort and health risks such as reproductive tract infections and Toxic Shock Syndrome.

The goal of m.e. FIRST is to provide everybody with free pads and tampons at FRC competitions to remove the financial barriers related to menstruation.

How to Help?

Your team can help with this project by signing up as a m.e. FIRST Ambassador to assist in providing menstrual products available at your events. This includes placing menstrual products in the bathrooms and making care packages for teams to keep with them throughout the event. If you're interested or have any questions, please reach out to 2980m.e@gmail.com.



Menstrual Equity at events

Oregon State Fair – 5937

Clackamas Academy - 5975

Glacier Peak - 2980

Week 3

SunDome - 4061

Bonney Lake – 9036

Week 6

District Championships – TBD

Week 2

Week 4

Wilsonville - 3636

Sammamish - 2412 Sammamish - 4450



Activities at all District events (Schedule will differ for DCMP)

Day 1

- 1:00 PM Sr Photo on comp field
- End of matches Alumni Photo on comp field

Day 2

- 7:00 AM Mentor Coffee
- 8:45 AM Line up for Mascot Parade



Workshops at events

We have a few teams who have asked to host workshops at events. Though we are still working on approval for some venues, I want to share what we are hoping to be able to offer. Confirmed workshops will be in our site specific PowerPoint. At this time, the deadline has passed for workshop requests, so we don't anticipate any additional workshops

Week

Oregon State Fair:

Leadership Listening with Mara Kealey

Glacier Peak:

- CTSO Discussion hosted by Alida Mendes-MacCracken
- Leadership Listening with Eric Stokely & Alida Mendes-MacCracken
- GEMS (Gender Equity Movement in STEM) hosted by 948 & 9036

Week 2

Clackamas Academy

Leadership Listening with Adrienne Collins & Bobbi Kelly

Sammamish

- GEMS (Gender Equity Movement in STEM) hosted by 948 & 9036
- CTSO Discussion hosted by Alida Mendes-MacCracken
- Leadership Listening with Adrienne Collins, Eric Stokely & Alida Mendes-MacCracken
- Starting Your Own Community Alliance hosted by 949
- Advocacy Workshop hosted by 2412
- Team Sustainability Workshop hosted by 1899
- DEI Workshop hosted by 1899



Workshops at events cont...

Week 3

SunDome

- Leadership Listening Session with Adrienne Collins & Eric Stokely Bonney Lake
- CTSO Discussion hosted by Alida Mendes-MacCracken
- Leadership Listening Session with Jacque Grimm & Eric VanBuren
- GEMS (Gender Equity Movement in STEM) hosted by 948 & 9036
- Starting Your Own Community Alliance hosted by 949

Week 4

Wilsonville

- Leadership Listening Session with Mara Kealey
- A Pirate's Lesson on Branding and Imagery hosted by 1359

Auburn

- Starting Your Own Community Alliance hosted by 949
- CTSO Discussion hosted by Alida Mendes-MacCracken
- Leadership Listening with Eric Stokely & Alida Mendes-MacCracken
- Decision Science: An approach to Scouting hosted by 1318
- Team Sustainability Workshop hosted by 1899
- DEI Workshop hosted by 1899

Week 6

We will publicize when we are closer to the event







FIRST as a CTSO Workshop

Hosted by FIRSTWA and local CTE Teachers

Interested in using FIRST as a CTSO but don't know where to start?

Need help filling out a Program of Work or organizing a team structure?

Getting pushback from your director or district about not using one of the 8 recognized CTSOs?

Come to the FIRST as a CTSO Workshop to ask questions, get community support, or share your own experiences with others!

Sessions will be held at all District Events in Washington State. Please see the individual event schedules for workshop date and time.







FIRSTWA Listening Session

Hosted by FIRSTWA staff and community members

FIRSTWA strives to make your team's experience the best it can be!

Support us in this mission by dropping by our listening session and telling us:

- What is working for your team
- What has negatively impacted your team
 - Where you most need support



Sessions will be held at all FRC District Events and the District Championship Event. Please see the individual event schedules for workshop date and time.













Gender Equity Movement in STEM

We help gender minorities SHINE as future members of the STEM world!



Join our Discord to be a part of future events and activities!



WINS) is dedicated to promoting gender equity in STEM. During the 2023-2024 Crescendo season, we hosted gender bias workshops at local competitions like Glacier Peak, Sammamish, and the 2024 PNW Districts in Portland.

In the off-season, we continued our advocacy at Girls Gen 2023, where we were awarded the Judges Award for our efforts towards gender equity and awareness plans.

Together, GEMS continues to build a more inclusive future in STEM, empowering gender minorities to lead with confidence and break down barriers.



A Pirate's Lesson: Branding and Imagery













Learn the secrets behind the Bellevue Alliance along with tips and tricks for setting up your own local FRC alliance!

Discover the power of local alliances and how it can benefit the broader FRC community

Get help building your alliance and supporting your team



TEAM SUSTAINABILITY WORKSHOP

Hosted By: 1899 -Saints Robotics



- Learn about the 4 pillars of sustainability
 - Mentors, Members, Space, Funding
- Network and brainstorm with other teams
- Assess your own team's sustainability goals



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DECISION SCIENCE: AN APPROACH TO SCOUTING

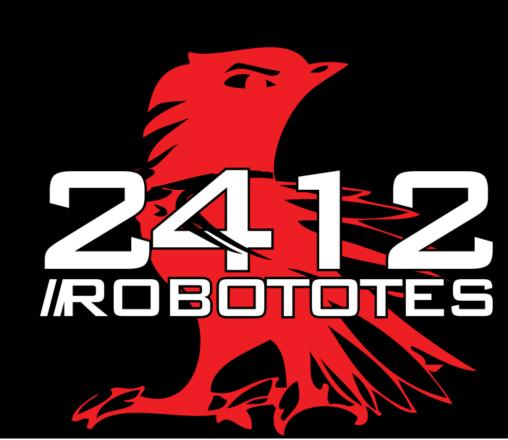
What we'll cover

- What goes into a pick list?
- What are the most important robot characteristics?
- How to pick an alliance around a strategy?
- Picking based on compatibility

ADVOCACY WORKSHOP

- LEARN:
 - How to advocate
 - How to form an ASK
 - How to advocate to DIFFERENT LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT
 - How to give a speech
- LED BY ADVOCACY VETERANS!

AND HOSTED BY:





DEI Workshop

Hosted by Saints Robotics 1899





Learn about the basics of DEI and how it supports your team



Empower yourself and others to embrace inclusive practices



Share your identity and experiences with others in a safe space



Accommodations at events

In the PNW, we work VERY hard to make sure everyone has a great experience at our events. Here are some of the things we are doing:

- We are working on getting hosts at all of our events (please consider being a host!)
- We are able to accommodate ME at all of our events (we are still looking for hosts for some of our events)
- We offer gender neutral bathrooms at most events
- We have many accommodations for students in wheelchairs
- · We have many accommodations for students that are hearing impaired
- We have a wheelchair ramp that can be put on the truck (on request) to access the drivers station

We are aware of the needs at some of our events, but if you don't tell us, we may not be aware of your team's need. Please fill out <u>this form</u> to let us know if your team needs any accommodations.

Understand, we may not be able to accommodate everyone's needs. We are a small organization and venues vary. Please be gracious and kind if we can't exactly meet your need the way you would like. The earlier you make us aware of a need, the greater chance we may be able to make an accommodation.



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 8 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 Selection – Important Changes

10.6.1 ALLIANCE Selection Process

At the end of the Qualification MATCHES, the top 8 ranked teams become the ALLIANCE Leads. The ranked ALLIANCES are designated, in order, ALLIANCE 1, ALLIANCE 2, etc., down to ALLIANCE 8. Using the ALLIANCE selection process described in this section, each ALLIANCE Lead chooses 2 other teams to join their ALLIANCE.

A break of 8 minutes (8:00) occurs between the posting of scores from the last qualification match (scheduled or replay, whichever comes later) and the start of the ALLIANCE Selection process for events that host Alliance Selection shortly after QUALIFICATION MATCHES. At the end of this break, ALLIANCE 1 is "on the clock" as defined below in <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.o

T601 *Send your STUDENT representatives. Each team must choose and send a minimum of one and a maximum of three STUDENT team representatives. Representative(s) must report to the ARENA before the start of ALLIANCE Selection.

Violation: Team is ineligible for the Playoff Tournament if they are not represented by the time they are announced.

If an absent team would have been an ALLIANCE Lead, all lower ranked ALLIANCE Leads are promoted 1 spot.

The designated STUDENT representative from each ALLIANCE Lead is called the ALLIANCE CAPTAIN (if the ALLIANCE has sent multiple STUDENT representatives, they must designate only one as the ALLIANCE CAPTAIN). This representative may change between ALLIANCE selection and Playoff MATCHES.

T602 *STUDENTS must outnumber adults. A non-STUDENT may additionally be a representative from a team if the team has exactly two STUDENT representatives.

Violation: Non-STUDENT must leave the ARENA

These are the possible combinations of ALLIANCE Selection representatives between T601/T602:

- A. One STUDENT
- B. Two STUDENTS
- C. Three STUDENTS
- D. Two STUDENTS and one non-STUDENT









Alliances Selection Important Changes

The ALLIANCE selection process consists of rounds during which each ALLIANCE CAPTAIN invites a team ranked below them in the standings to join their ALLIANCE. The invited team's representative must either accept or decline the invitation immediately. If the team accepts, it becomes a member of that ALLIANCE. This process results in 8 ALLIANCES of 3 teams.

Each round is complete when all ALLIANCES have added one additional team, and each round must be complete before the next round can begin. In round 1 selections are made in descending order (ALLIANCE 1 to ALLIANCE 8), whereas in round 2 selections are made in ascending order (ALLIANCE 8 to ALLIANCE 1).

T603 * Only STUDENTS may use the mic. Only a single STUDENT from the invited team is allowed to accept/decline.

Violation: The team is assumed to have declined.

T604 * Only the ALLIANCE CAPTAIN may invite an ALLIANCE. The ALLIANCE CAPTAIN is the only representative of the ALLIANCE who may approach the emcee and make a valid pick via the microphone.

Violation: Pick does not count, and pick timer continues to count down.

T605 * Picks are time limited. Once the emcee requests an ALLIANCE'S selection, the ALLIANCE is considered "on the clock" and the pick timer begins to countdown. In round 1, the timer begins at 45 seconds (0:45), in round 2 the timer begins at 1 minute and 30 seconds (1:30). A sound will play to indicate that there are 5 seconds left on the timer and a buzzer will go off to indicate the end of the time. The ALLIANCE CAPTAIN must make a good faith effort, as determined by the FTA or their designee, to state a valid team selection before the expiration of the pick timer.

Violation: The ALLIANCE is skipped, and the emcee moves to the next ALLIANCE, unless the selection is the last of a round in which case the ALLIANCE receives the next highest-ranked unselected team to the ALLIANCE.

The time remaining on the pick timer is displayed on the FIELD timers. Please note that audio cues are intended as a courtesy to participants and not intended as official markers.

A valid team selection includes any team who has not yet accepted or declined an invitation to join another ALLIANCE and is not an ALLIANCE Lead that has had a pick timer violation. If an ALLIANCE CAPTAIN attempts to select a team that is not valid, the pick timer continues to run until it either expires, or a different (valid) team is invited to join the ALLIANCE.

Examples of good faith efforts to state a valid team selection include but are not limited to:

- A. Walking safely towards the emcee when the clock hits zero
- B. Starting to state a team as the clock hits zero

Examples that are not considered good faith efforts to quickly state a valid team selection include but are not limited to:

- C. Continuing to talk with your ALLIANCE partners without moving towards the emcee
- Talking into the microphone for more than approximately 30 seconds without clearly stating a team number to invite

If an ALLIANCE CAPTAIN extends a valid invitation and the invited team declines, the pick clock resets to the time for the designated round and restarts immediately.

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Alliances Selection – Important Changes

After each accepted ALLIANCE invitation or $\underline{\mathsf{T605}}$ violation, the emcee invites any ALLIANCE CAPTAINS that received a $\underline{\mathsf{T605}}$ violation in that round to make their selections. Each ALLIANCE CAPTAIN may either indicate that they are ready to make their selection (and immediately do so as determined by the FTA or their designee) or indicate that they are not yet ready, and they will be revisited after the next accepted invitation or $\underline{\mathsf{T605}}$ violation. If there are multiple ALLIANCE CAPTAINS that have received $\underline{\mathsf{T605}}$ violations, they are revisited in the same order in which they received their violations.

The ALLIANCE CAPTAIN with the last selection of a given round may not be the ALLIANCE CAPTAIN *scheduled* to have the final pick. For example, imagine in round 1 that ALLIANCES 1-6 have all made valid selections and ALLIANCE Lead 7 receives a <u>T605</u> violation. If ALLIANCE Lead 8 makes a valid selection, then ALLIANCE Lead 7 now has the final selection of round 1.

A break of 2 minutes (2:00) occurs between each round of selections. At the conclusion of the break, the ALLIANCE scheduled to make the next selection goes "on the clock" and their timer begins per T605.

T606 *Declining teams can't be picked. An ALLIANCE CAPTAIN may not invite a team that has declined another ALLIANCE'S invitation to participate in the Playoff tournament. Declining teams are ineligible to be a BACKUP TEAM.

Violation: The ALLIANCE CAPTAIN must make another selection and pick timer continues to count down.

An ALLIANCE Lead that declines an invitation from another ALLIANCE is able to invite teams to join their ALLIANCE but may not be invited to join another ALLIANCE.

At the conclusion of ALLIANCE selection, the highest ranked unselected teams are eligible to become a BACKUP TEAM, as defined in section 10.6.3 BACKUP TEAMS.

10.6.2 Playoff MATCH Bracket

The double elimination tournament consists of an Upper and Lower bracket as shown in Figure 10-2. Each ALLIANCE begins with a slot in the Upper bracket. If an ALLIANCE wins a MATCH in the Upper bracket, they remain in the Upper bracket. If an ALLIANCE loses a MATCH in the Upper bracket, they transition to the Lower bracket. ALLIANCES in the Lower bracket must win any subsequent MATCHES (except for finals) to remain in the tournament, i.e. once they lose a MATCH, they're out of the tournament.

In Round 1, the higher ranked ALLIANCE is assigned to the red ALLIANCE. For subsequent rounds, ALLIANCE color is assigned as shown in Figure 10-2, regardless of ALLIANCE rank at the start of the Playoff tournament.



Backups

If you are not chosen for an alliance, please stick around in the "alliance selection area" for a few moments. Our Lead Queuer will be coming around with a form asking if you can/will stay around 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 3rd
 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!
- Alliances, make sure you understand the rules for calling a back up.

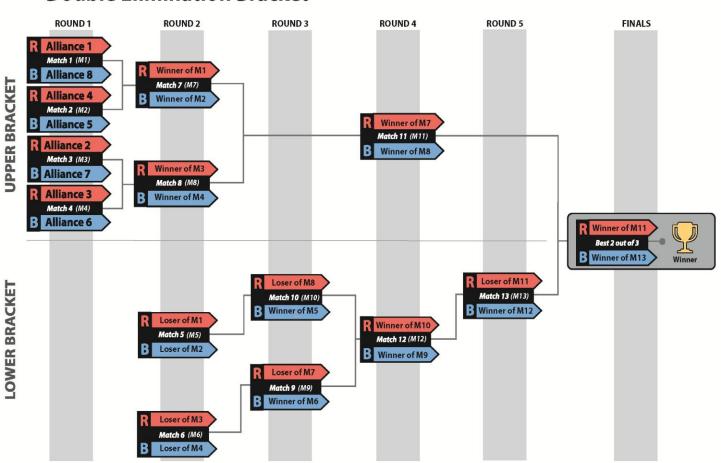




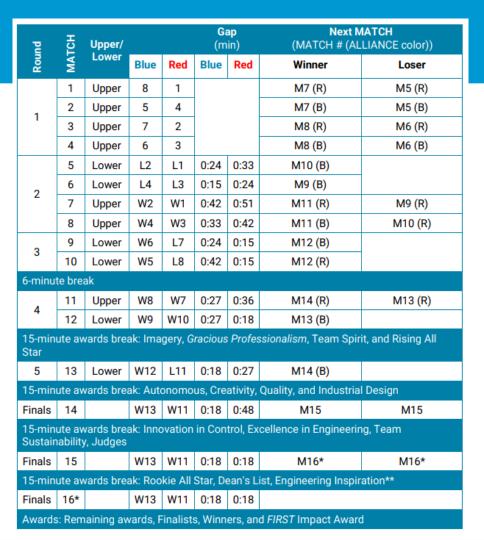




Double Elimination Bracket











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 out after 2 losses
- There no more time outs
- There is one 6 minute break prior to the awards breaks
- Match cycle times will be slower than the qualification rounds



What to know

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.



District Rankings

District Rankings are posted on the FIRST website. Our district has no control of this website

Need link

Another source of information is the Blue Alliance website www.thebluealliance.com



Judging

- Team judging Will be in person at events
- Impact Award Will be in person at events
- Deans List Judging Will be in person at events
 - Coaches will be notified which event their student(s) will be interviewed at.



Dean's List Awards

- Dean's list judging is done via interviews.
- Dean's list interviews occur on Day 1 of the event.
- Your students will be interviewed at specific events. The team's main contact will be notified which event your students will be interviewed at.
- Check with Pit Admin for details on the interview schedule
- Each district event advances 2 Dean's List nominees to the District Championship as Semi-Finalists.
- Dean's List nominees will be recognized at the event where they are interviewed
- Advancing students are not required to attend District Championships.
- 4 students for 2025 will become Deans List Finalists and will be invited to World Championships in Houston



Woodie Flowers

We will celebrate Woodie Flowers Nominees at the event their team submitted them for.

2 Woodie Flowers Finalist's will be announced at the PNW District Championship.

Nominee's are not required to attend the District Championship **BUT** we do plan to have a breakfast at that event to recognize and celebrate all of our nominees!

 Each nominee can pick up an invitation from Pit Admin at the event they were nominated for to get information on the breakfast including how to RSVP



Advancing to District Championship

The 2025 District Championships will be at Eastern Washington University

50 of our 132 teams will advance to the District Championship

- 8 teams advance based on the District Event Impact award
- 42 teams advance based on their total district point ranking

We have prepaid your District Championship registration fee.

 You will not be charged an additional registration fee for District Championships



Advancing to District Championship – Engineering Inspiration & Rookie All-Star

Teams that win the Engineering Inspiration and Rookie All-Star awards will be invited to District Championships to compete for those awards.

You must qualify via one of the methods in the previous slide to compete with your robot.

If you do not qualify with your robot, you are invited to attend District Championships, but it is not required. We will set up a remote interview with the judges if your team chooses not to attend.

If you qualify for Championships via the Engineering Inspiration or Rookie All-Star award, you will be invited to compete in Houston with your robot!



District Championship Registration

The lead and alternate mentor will receive an email from Adrienne Collins no later than the Monday morning after you qualify for District Championships (for most teams, this is the Monday after the week 4 events.)

The email will contain a link to a survey that the lead or alternate mentor will need to fill out to either accept or decline their District Championship spot.

The survey will need to be filled out prior to 3:00 pm pacific time the **Tuesday** after you have qualified for the event.

 We know it is a short amount of time, but we need time to ask the next team on the list in the event a team can't attend.

For some teams, this may fall during spring break. Please plan ahead!

We will be having a District Championship briefing on Tuesday, March 18. Here is the link to the briefing:

https://firstwa.org/event/frc-coaches-chatdcmp/



Advancing to World Championships

The PNW has been allocated 22 slots at the World Championships in Houston

Advancing to World Championships will be

- 2 FIRST Impact award teams
- 2 Engineering Inspiration teams
- 1 Rookie All Star team
- Winning Alliance
- 14 teams based on their total district qualification points

As individuals, we are sending:

- 4 Dean's List Finalists
- 2 Woodie Flowers Finalists

Teams will be responsible for the \$5,750 registration fee

- Payment is made to FIRST Washington
- Dean's list and Woodie Flowers Finalists have no registration fee
- Engineering Inspiration teams may be eligible for a \$5,750 NASA grant from FIRST



Registering for World Championships

The registration process will be similar to the District Championship Registration process

- Advancing teams will be announced at PNW District Championships (provided the District Ranking software is up and running)
- You will have the opportunity to register for Championships (and collect your shipping paperwork) at Pit Admin after the awards ceremony is completed
- Teams who do not register at District Championships will receive an email with a registration link no later than Monday morning after District Championships
 - Note: you will not get your shipping paperwork until you have registered for Championships
- The registration form will need to be filled out and payment arrangements will need to be make no later than 5:00 pm EST Tuesday, April 9th



We want your Alumni!

Whether they have been involved in a PNW *FIRST* team or one from another area – we invite you to join us and be recognized at the end of competition Day 1

Alumni that register their contact info at Pit Admin will receive a gift after they register

Please spread the word among your Alumni students.

We LOVE seeing our Alumni come back and volunteer!!!

General Questions are now welcome