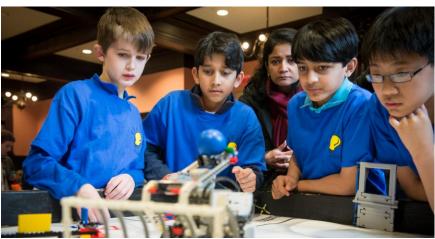


## FIRST® LEGO® League





Welcome to New Coach Training







FMA-FLL FIRST LEGO League relies on the strength of coaches and volunteers to create a rewarding experience for all students in the region.





#### What is FIRST®?

- It's a competitive sport.
- It's More Than Robots<sup>SM</sup>.
- It's a life experience.
- It's opportunity.
- It's community.
- It's <u>amazing</u>.



#### FIRST® Is...

#### Inspiring youth to become science & technology leaders & innovators,

by engaging them in exciting, experiential, Mentor and project-based programs that teach science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) skills, inspire innovation, and foster well-rounded life capabilities.





# FIRST LEGO LEAGUE



# FIRST. TECH CHALLENGE



# FIRST. ROBOTICS COMPETITION





### FIRST® Impact: More Than Robots<sup>sm</sup>

#### STEM Awareness, Skills and Intent

 Increase the number of students who pursue post-secondary education and careers in STEM-related fields and industries

#### Innovation and Entrepreneurship

 Inspire youth to become leaders and innovators in their field and society

#### 21st Century Work-Life Skills

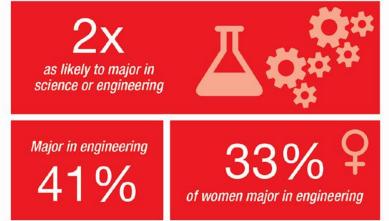
 Enable young people to develop valuable, transferrable, real-world skills, including: teamwork, leadership, creative problem solving, critical thinking, time & project management, and communication/presentation skills



#### FIRST® IMPACT

10 years of evaluation data indicates that with participation in *FIRST*,® team members are:

#### STEM MAJOR CITED BY FIRST PARTICIPANTS



Source: Brandeis University, 2005 Evaluation of FIRST® Robotics Competition Alumni

#### SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT INCREASES FOR FIRST PARTICIPANTS

More interested in doing well in school

87%
FIRST® LEGO® League

86%

88%

FIRST® Tech Challenge

FIRST® Robotics Competition

Plan to take a more challenging math or science course



84%

FIRST® Tech Challenge

90%

FIRST® Robotics Competition

More interested in going to college 88%

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91%

FIRST® Robotics Competition

Source: Brandeis University, 2011 FIRST® Tech Challenge – FIRST® Robotics Competition Evaluation and 2013 FIRST® LEGO® League Evaluation

#### 21ST CENTURY WORK-LIFE SKILLS GAINED BY FIRST PARTICIPANTS



Increased time management skills

Increased conflict resolution skills

93%



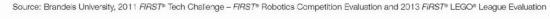
communication skills

OVER 76%

FIRST ALUMNI IN STEM CAREERS



Source: FIRST, 2011 Survey of FIRST® Robotics Competition and FIRST® Tech Challenge Alumni





#### FIRST® At-a-Glance

460K+

students participating in 2016-2017

230K+

Mentors, Coaches, Judges & Volunteers in 80+ countries

17M+

Volunteer hours served in 2016-2017

\$50M+

scholarship opportunities from nearly 200 providers

>2,600

official events worldwide

65K+

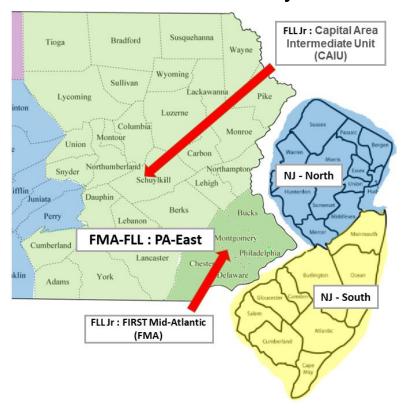
participants at annual FIRST® Championship





## Regional Scope

#### **FMA-FLL** consists of East Pennsylvania



#### **Surrounding Regions Include:**

- Delaware
  - Eric Cheek
  - o flldsu@gmail.com
- New Jersey North
  - Ernie DiCicco
  - o njfll@att.net
- New Jersey South
  - Eric Milou
  - o milou@rowan.edu
- Pennsylvania Central
  - Janel Vancas
  - o mdanel@iu08.org





#### Who's Who

- FIRST
  - A GLOBAL ROBOTICS COMMUNITY PREPARING YOUNG PEOPLE FOR THE FUTURE
- FIRST Mid-Atlantic
  - Local 501(c)(3) non-profit licensed to run FIRST program in the New Jersey, Delaware and Eastern Pennsylvania
- FMA-FLL
  - FIRST Lego League program run by FIRST Mid-Atlantic
  - Frank Larkin FLL Director
    - e: <u>flarkin@midatlanticrobotics.org</u>
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#### **Consolidated Information**

#### Single Launch Point for all information:

#### FIRST Season Page

- ✓ Various Challenge Videos
- Rubrics help the judges deliberate for awards and provide feedback to teams
- ✓ Awards depends on the tournament size.
- Mission Model Building Instructions
- ✓ Judging Workflow
- ✓ Participation Rules
- ✓ Robot Game Rulebook
- ✓ Table Build Instructions
- ✓ Challenge Updates (Very important)
- ✓ Think Space Instructions





#### FMA-FLL Team Education

- FIRST Mid-Atlantic Website
   <u>FLL Team Info</u> gathers
   resources from around the Web.
- ✓ Coaches Required Reading
- ✓ Important FML-FLL Reading
- ✓ EV3 Hardware
- ✓ EV3 Programming
- ✓ EV3 Mechanical
- ✓ EV3 Advanced Programming
- ✓ Challenge Project
- ✓ Challenge Global Innovation











Helps children, ages 9 to 14, discover the fun in science and technology while building self-confidence, knowledge and life skills

"I want to build things nobody else has even thought of yet."

Charles Peterson, FLL Team Member (10 years old)





- INTRODUCES 6 TO 10 YEAR-OLDS to the fun of science and technology
- MINI CHALLENGE based on annual FLL research project
- EXPLORE, investigate, design and build model made with LEGO bricks & moving parts
- CREATE "Show Me" poster depicting team's experience
- > LEARN from and interact with adult mentors









## CHALLENGE













#### CHALLENGE

All around us, there are opportunities to play and be active — from open parks to cement courts, in our classrooms, and even when we're waiting in line. But more and more people are not active enough.









#### What is a Team?

- 2 to 10 Kids ages 9 through 14
- 1 or 2 coaches
- Holding meetings an average of 2-3 days a week for 2 hours per meeting
- Build and program a robot
- Do a research project
- Attend a kick-off event
- Attend 1 weekend qualifier tournament
- If qualified attend the championship tournament.







## **Everyone's Participation Rules**



**Coaches Required Reading** 







### **Tournament Experience**

8:00am-Arrive

8:00am-Team Registration

8:30am- Coach Meeting

9:00am- Opening Ceremony

9:30am-Judging Starts

12:45pm- Lunch

1:30pm-Robot Matches Begin

3:30pm- Dancing & Award Deliberation

4:30pm- Award Ceremony

5:00pm-Done!









#### CHALLENGE

Item	Rookie year	Onwards
Registration	\$299	\$225
Challenge set	Included	Optional (75\$)
EV3 Core Set +Expansion	\$489.95	As needed
Practice table	\$50-\$100	
Miscellaneous (Flare, Snacks, Boxes)	\$100	\$100
T-shirts	\$120	\$120
Qualifier Registration	\$125	\$125
Championship Registration	\$125	\$125
Presentation supplies	\$50	\$50
Total	\$1235 to \$1437	\$895







### CHALLENGE

## FMA PA-East FLL Challenge Season

Date	Event
May	Team Registration Opens
July - Sept.	Coach Training – Various locations
August 4st	Challenge Released (FIRST FLL Website)
Oct-Nov	Weekly Coaches Questions Call (stay tuned for details)
November 1 <sup>st</sup>	Regional Qualifier Tournament Registration Opens (FMA FIRST LEGO League Website)
December	Scrimmage Events
Late Jan Feb	Qualifier Events (Number TBD)
Late Feb.	Possible Championship Event
July, 2021	FLL World Festival in Detroit





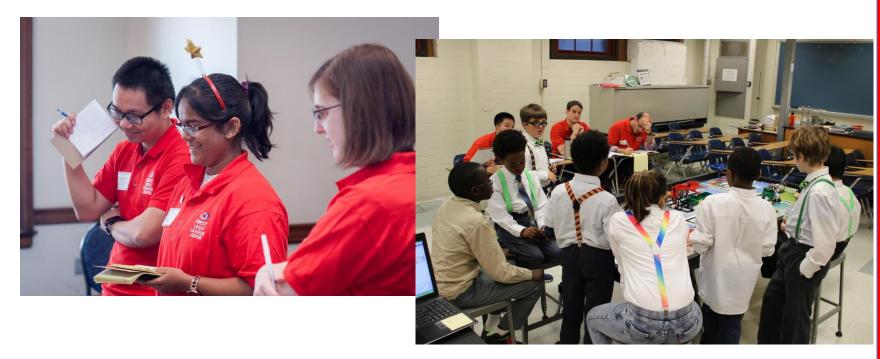








# Robot Design Judging













# Project Judging













# Core Values



"Act in a way that
makes your
grandmother proud!"
Dr. Woody Flowers
Engineering, MIT









# spirit































