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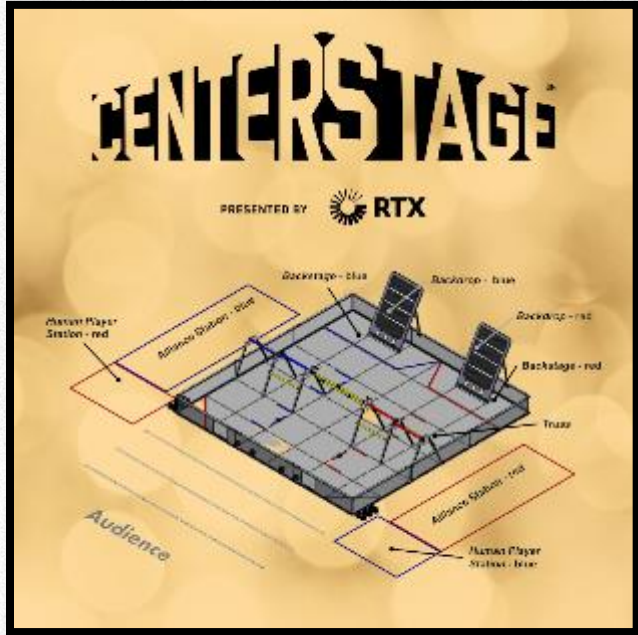
FIRST Tech Challenge November Coaches Corner

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Special Guests: Judge Advisor Betsy Baxter,
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Agenda



1. General Reminders
2. YPP & Express Enrollment
3. Event Registration Payment
4. Quiet Room Initiative
5. Dean's List
6. How to Win Awards, Judge Q&A



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Reminders

- FIN Calendar/Website: <https://www.firstindianrobotics.org/ftc/events/>
 - Individual event pages will be updated as specific information becomes available.
- FIN Playbook: <https://playbook.firstindianrobotics.org/>
 - This recording and slides will be uploaded to the playbook tomorrow morning.
- FIN Social Media:
 - <https://www.facebook.com/FIRSTINRobotics/>
 - <https://www.instagram.com/firstinrobotics/>
- Latest Newsletter: <https://www.firstindianrobotics.org/blog/>
- How to prep for an event:
 - <https://firsttechchallenge.blogspot.com/2016/11/how-to-prep-for-event.html?q=how+to+prep+for+an+events>
 - <https://www.firstinspires.org/resource-library/ftc/preparing-for-competition>



Youth Protection

- The safety of our students is our top priority. All coaches must be registered in the FIRST Dashboard and cleared through YPP.
- Youth Protection Best Practice: Have all of your mentors register in the FIRST dashboard; and get cleared through YPP as well.
- For additional Youth Protection Guidelines visit:
<https://www.firstinspires.org/sites/default/files/uploads/about/FIRST-YPP-ProgramGuide.pdf>
- You will see new signage at events this season with QR codes to allow people to easily report YPP or other concerns. “If you see something, say something.”



Express Enrollment


- The Express Enrollment application is built for parents and guardians to quickly register youth participants in a few simple steps through mobile and desktop web browsers.
- *FIRST*[®] lead coaches and mentors with completed **FIRST Youth Protection Screenings** can generate web links or QR codes in the **FIRST Dashboard** to share with parents and guardians of their youth participants, granting access to the application.
- Instructions for coaches and/or parents can be found here: <https://www.firstinspires.org/resource-library/youth-registration-system>





Event Payment: <https://pay.firstindianarobotics.org/>

Catalog

 FLL Challenge Qualifying Tournament Registration
\$75.00

 FTC Event Registration
\$0.00

 FIRST LEGO League Explore Festival Registration
\$25.00

 Other Event Registration
\$0.00

FTC Event Registration



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Team Number

of Events

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The *FIRST* Tech Challenge events will be held in December, January, and February. Teams may advance from one of 3 events. Pricing is as follows: \$250 for the first two events and \$100 for a third event. Third event registration will open at a later date, subject to availability.




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FTC Event Registration

Team Number: 1234

of Events: 350

\$350.00 

FTC Event Registration

Team Number: 5678

of Events: 350

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Quiet Rooms at Events

- Quiet spaces promote neurodiversity and accessibility. Robotics competitions are fun but can also be loud and overwhelming at times.
- These areas provide a safe space for students, mentors, and spectators to regroup.
- Effective sensory rooms do not have to be extravagant. The key is to make sure the rooms are known and silent. (Guidelines on the next slide)



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Quiet Room Guidelines

1. Designate a space
 1. Mark the area with signs
 2. Make sure the room is in an accessible location
2. Keep it cozy
 1. Provide activities like books, coloring pages, or magazines
 2. Pillows and sensory toys are great resources and can help lower anxiety
 3. Tissues and hand sanitizer are good staples
 4. If possible, you can show the match silently on a TV or with a projector
3. Make it safe
 1. Have a volunteer monitor the room and limit distractions
 2. Avoid sensory items that are small or have sharp corners

These are the basic steps for a sensory room, but you can always make it your own with school merchandise or robotics t-shirts!



Dean's List

- What is the FIRST Dean's List Award?
 - In an effort to recognize the leadership and dedication of *FIRST's* most outstanding secondary school students, the Kamen family sponsors an award for selected 10th and 11th grade students known as the *FIRST* Robotics Competition and *FIRST* Tech Challenge Dean's List.
- [FIRST Dean's List information](#) ← this link will take you to the FIRST Tech Challenge Dean's List Page, including the nomination guide.
- Dean's List Submission Deadline:



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Engineering Portfolio

Short and concise summary of the Team's engineering journey throughout their season. The Engineering Portfolio is like the Team's CV or resume and should include:

- sketches
- discussions
- team meetings
- design evolution
- processes
- obstacles
- goals
- plans to learn new skills

One of the goals of FIRST and FIRST Tech Challenge is to recognize the engineering design process and the journey that a Team makes. This journey encompasses the phases of the problem definition, concept design, system-level design, detailed design, test and verification, and production of the Robot.



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Engineering Portfolio

- Teams may choose to document their summary portfolio with either handwritten or electronic documents.
- To be considered for judged awards, a Team must submit an Engineering Portfolio.
- The total number of pages for an Engineering Portfolio must not exceed 15 pages, plus a cover sheet for a total of 16 pages.
- For more information, visit Game Manual 1, page 51:
<https://firstinspiresst01.blob.core.windows.net/first-in-show-ftc/game-manual-part-1-traditional.pdf>



Next Coaches Corner

FIRST Indiana Robotics is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: FTC December Coaches Corner

Time: Dec 5, 2023 07:00 PM Indiana (East)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81229972476?pwd=N3BXZGZocnB0RWM1MC9ycjRETU8zdz09>

Meeting ID: 812 2997 2476

Passcode: 326066



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