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Local Students Compete to Qualify for Global Robotics Championship at FIRST® Robotics Competition Sacramento Regional Event at Pleasant Grove High School

Event: FIRST® Robotics Competition Sacramento Regional

What: Thirty-eight teams from California, Hawaii and international high schools will compete in

the *FIRST*® Robotics Competition Sacramento Regional event. This high-tech sporting event will produce excitement and energy for participants and spectators alike, as teams compete for honors and recognition that reward design excellence, sportsmanship,

teamwork, and more.

CRESCENDO presented by Haas is part of the 2024 FIRST IN SHOWSM presented by Qualcomm season. In CRESCENDO, teams are encouraged to see all that is possible, when combining their creative ideas and innovations with engineering and design. Through collaboration and communication, participants around the world will celebrate the role that the arts play in STEAM. Students will learn that our skills make it possible to create art and experiences that bring us together, entertain us and move us.

This year, the event has moved from the University of California, Davis to Pleasant Grove High School in Elk Grove. Pleasant Grove has hosted the Capital City Classic in October for several years.

<u>FIRST®</u> (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) is a not-for-profit organization, founded by inventor Dean Kamen, dedicated to preparing young people for the future. The *FIRST* Robotics Competition is a program that challenges high school students – working with professional mentors – to design and build a robot to compete in matches that measure the effectiveness of each robot, the power of collaboration and the determination of students.

When: Friday March 15 and Saturday March 16, 2024

Time: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Where: Pleasant Grove High School

9531 Bond Road, Elk Grove, California

Details: Admission is free and open to the public. More information: www.firstinspires.org

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About FIRST®

FIRST* is a robotics community that prepares young people for the future through a suite of inclusive, team-based robotics programs for ages 4-18 (PreK-12) that can be facilitated in school or in structured afterschool programs. Boosted by a global support system of volunteers, educators, and sponsors that include over 200 of the Fortune 500 companies, teams operate under a signature set of FIRST Core Values to conduct research, fundraise, design, build, and showcase their achievements during annual challenges. An international not-for-profit organization founded by accomplished inventor Dean Kamen in 1989, FIRST has a proven impact on STEM learning, interest, and skill-building well beyond high school. Alumni of FIRST programs gain access to exclusive scholarships, internships and other opportunities that create connections and open pathways to a wide variety of careers. Learn more at firstinspires.org.