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Local Students Compete to Qualify for the Global Championship at *FIRST*® Robotics Competition Sacramento Regional Event

Event: *FIRST*® Robotics Competition Sacramento Regional

What: Thirty-five teams from California, Nevada and Missouri 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.

[REEFSCAPE presented by Haas](#) is part of the [2024-2025 FIRST® DIVESM](#) presented by Qualcomm season. In REEFSCAPE, teams will use their engineering skills to strengthen one of the ocean's most diverse habitats and make waves to build a better world. Two competing Alliances will score coral, harvest algae, and attach to the barge before time runs out, and Alliances earn additional rewards for meeting specific scoring thresholds and for cooperating with their opponents.

The event will be held for a second year at Pleasant Grove High School in Elk Grove. Pleasant Grove has hosted the Capital City Classic in October for several years. More information about the event can be found at [FIRST® California](#).

[FIRST®](#) (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: **Sunday March 16 and Monday March 17, 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.