

# **Start a Team**

FIRST® Tech Challenge engages students in thrilling robotics competition. Teams of students ages 12-18 design, build, code, and operate robots to compete against the clock to earn the highest score. Participants and alumni have access to education and career discovery opportunities, connections to scholarships and employers, and a place in the FIRST community for life.

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#### **CONTACT US**

www.cafirst.org/california-leadership/



#### **BUILD YOUR TEAM**

- ▶ Up to 15 team members
- At least 2 adult mentor/coaches\*
- Meeting and build space
- \*Team coaches and mentors must complete Youth Protection Screening



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#### REGISTER

▶ Visit www.firstinspires.org/register to create your FIRST® account, set up your new team profile, and purchase your season registration and necessary materials.

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#### **BUILD**

- ▶ Review the season materials and design, construct, and program your robot to compete in the season game.
- ▶ Document your work in an engineering portfolio.



#### **COMPETE IN AN EVENT**

▶ Compete at official *FIRST* events, which may include physical, remote, or a combination of physical and remote elements.





For more information on fundraising, registration, scholarships, and other resources, visit:

WWW.FIRSTINSPIRES.ORG/FTC-GET-STARTED



# **Season Timeline**

#### MAY

Registration for the season opens

#### **SEPTEMBER**

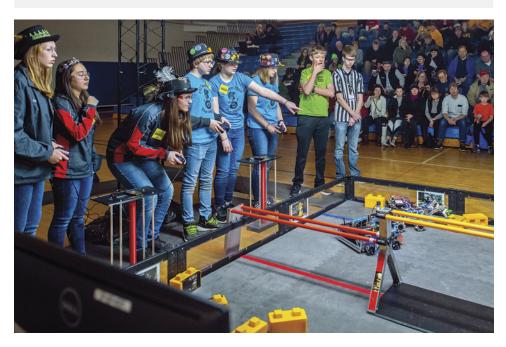
Season Kickoff

#### OCTOBER-MARCH

Local and regional competitive events



APRIL FIRST® Championship



### FIRST is a robotics community that prepares young people for the future.

FIRST is the world's leading youth-serving nonprofit advancing STEM education. Through a suite of inclusive, team-based robotics programs for ages 4-18, FIRST has a proven impact on learning, interest, and skill-building inside and outside of the classroom, creating the people who will change the world – today and tomorrow.



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# FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION – Grades 9-12 REGIONAL DIRECTORS



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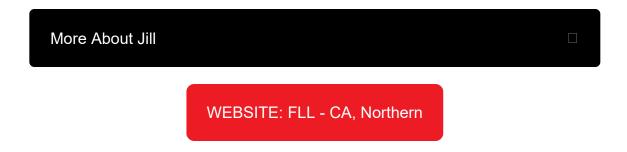
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