

FIRST Effects

- ❖ 50% of *FIRST* participants are more likely to attend college
- ❖ Young women in *FIRST* are four times more likely to expect to pursue science and engineering in college
- ❖ Participants are twice as likely to go on to major in science and engineering
- ❖ Minority members of *FIRST* teams are more than twice as likely to enter the fields of science and engineering



Get Involved!

Join or start a team in your area



Sponsor a team or event



Become a team mentor or coach



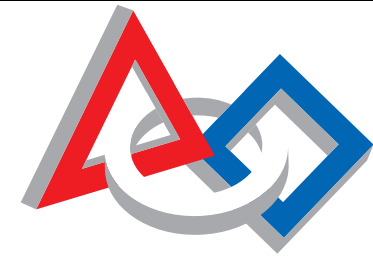
Volunteer at a tournament

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Florida: www.flfirst.org
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FTC

FIRST Tech Challenge

Florida Region

2010-2011 Season



What FTC Offers



- * Design, build and program robots
- * Get hands-on programming and rapid-prototyping experience
- * Apply real-world math and science concepts
- * Develop problem-solving, organizational and team-building skills
- * Learn about *Gracious Professionalism™*
- * Compete and cooperate in Alliances at tournaments
- * Earn a place in the FTC World Championship
- * \$12 million in college scholarships



Financial Commitment

	New Team	Veteran Team
Program Registration Fee	\$275	\$275
2010 Competition Kit	\$749	-0-
2010 Resource Kit	\$199	-0-
2010 Software Renewal Kit	-0-	\$69
Additional Parts*	\$500	\$500
Qualification Tournament Registration*	\$75 per tournament	\$75 per tournament
State Championship Registration*	\$300	\$300
Travel*	\$0 - \$500	\$0 - \$500
*Estimate		

2010 - 2011 Season Overview

Team Registration Opens	May 3, 2010
Season Kickoff (Game Announced)	September 11, 2010
8* Qualification Competitions	November - February
Florida State Championship	February 26, 2011 (Tentative)
FTC World Championship	April 27 - 30, 2011

How FTC Works

- * Grades 9-12; Ages 14-18
- * Recommend up to 10 students per team
- * 2-3 Mentors per team
- * Teams use a modular robotics platform to conceive, build and compete in a *FIRST* designed game
- * Sports-like event with judges and awards
- * Includes schools and community groups
- * Supported by parents, teachers, and volunteers
- * Corporate sponsors