

FLL Challenge / FLL Explore 2024-25 Team Blast 008



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Welcome To Our New Teams!!!

Welcome to the 2024-25 FIRST Submerged Season. Please check out our website for the events list, registration system and other specific program information.

FMA-FLL Team Blasts for 2024-25

MUST READ: Participation and Registration Document

<u>Explore Team Info</u> <u>Challenge Team Info</u>

NJ-North Calendar PA-East Calendar

Event Registration Opened One Week Ago

All Instructions can be found in the <u>FMA FLL Team Participation and Registration</u> <u>Process Document</u>. You have done great registering!!!! We are cleaning up problems and getting ready to send out invoices. If you have not registered yet, please do ASAP. Please be patient.

A Few NJ-North Scrimmage Spots Open

There are still a couple of spots left in the North NJ Scrimmages, so if interested please sign up now using this

link https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd1zo33TGu_DefXH6qxgZGcX0F UFIBm26t1iURZNww5qIgBdg/viewform to sign up. This will be the last chance to sign up before I release the last few spots to teams that have requested a second chance to play.

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Get Your Team Rosters Ready

Being Event Ready means that your team has 2 coaches that had completed the FIRST Youth Protection Program or YPP process. I can repot many have done that so thank you.

Starting in a week I will be sending out your team Team Status Report update. We now need you to be sure that your students are reported on your Team Rosters. When you go to any event you will need to hand in a printed Team Roster showing the coaches and students. There must be a check mark for each indicating each has completed a FIRST Consent and Release Form. There will also be an indication that each Coach has completed their FIRST YPP.

Having this done will save you a lot of time at event check in. If a student is not listed on the roster, your team will move to the side and someone will have to fill out and sign FIRST Youth Consent and Release Form for each missing team.

If you have any 8-year-old students, you may not be able to add them to the FIRST system. In this case you will need to bring a paper release form for them. In the coming weeks, I will make sure we have a copy of that under Coach's Required Reading.

LET's Be Frank Zoom Call, every Wednesday at 7:30 PM

We had an issue this past week. But we think we are good now.

Explore Teams can go to Two, or possibly Three Festivals

We have so many events, register for several events. Register for your first Explore Festival now, in your region, and in November you will be able to register for a second event across regions. More to come...



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VERY IMPORTANT !!!! - Check Your Team Information in the FIRST Database

For all the team Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Administrators, please verify your information in your team entries in the FIRST Dashboard (Mentor Registration) System. You need to make sure your emails and your phone numbers are correct. If any of the positions have changed, please update the database to reflect the changes. *We cannot change any of the data!*

You can access the Team database by going to https://firstinspires.org and then logging in. If you need help making changes, please contact FIRST at (603) 666-3906 or (800) 871-8326 and ask for FIRST Lego League Team support.

Many thanks, let's see if we can all make this a great season.

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