



VOLUNTEERS



VOLUNTEER WITH PURPOSE



ABOUT *FIRST*®

FIRST® is the world's leading youth robotics community, delivering youth robotics competitions that inspire innovation, build confidence, and prepare young people for life.

FIRST VOLUNTEERS MAKE AN IMPACT

FIRST volunteers are part of a global robotics community preparing young people for the future. *FIRST* competitions and events are made possible by volunteers, including employees of corporate sponsors, teachers, parents, community leaders, and others. From a few hours to events all year long, every role helps students grow, learn, and thrive.

We provide training so that all *FIRST* volunteers feel confident in their roles – from judging to field resets to leading and inspiring teams.



YOUR NEXT STEPS

FIRST offers three distinct programs that require a strong and dedicated volunteer force. You can find exciting and engaging volunteer opportunities in each program.

- Go to firstinspires.org and create a *FIRST* account.
- Search for an event or team near you.
- Apply to volunteer and complete Youth Protection background screening (other screening requirements may apply for some regions).
- Join our volunteer community!

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“Volunteering at *FIRST* is exciting and exhilarating and a way to give back to my community in a way that makes me feel full.”

— KARI, *FIRST* MENTOR & VOLUNTEER FOR 13 YEARS



DEDICATE YOUR TIME AND EXPERTISE TO *FIRST* TEAMS

Lead Coach

Adult volunteers that lead the day-to-day activities of the team, make leadership decisions for the team, and are the primary contacts for the team.

Mentor

Mentors provide subject matter expertise in one or more areas, such as fundraising, robot programming software engineering, travel planning, and more.

Team Volunteer

Individuals who support the team in other ways, such as chaperoning at events or providing other team support.

THERE'S A ROLE FOR YOU

Around the Field

These roles put volunteers right next to the playing area, where they support the excitement up close and help keep matches running smoothly for all. Includes roles like Referee, Scorekeeper, and Field Resetter.

Event Delivery

These roles put volunteers at the heart of the event, working behind the scenes and on the ground to bring the show to life. Includes roles like Emcee, Load In / Load Out Crew, and Event Photographer.



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Meet the Teams

These roles give volunteers the chance to connect with teams and be part of their journey at the event. Includes roles like Judge, Team Registration, and Robot Inspector.

Administrative

These roles help the event come together and focus on event logistics planning and execution. These roles often require pre-event preparation and coordination. Includes roles like Volunteer Check-In, Judge Advisor Assistant, and Volunteer Coordinator.

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Volunteer as a Group

We offer opportunities to volunteer as a group at local events and matching gift programs with many companies, allowing employees to double their impact either through time or money.

FIRST Championship

Be part of something extraordinary when you volunteer at *FIRST* Championship. Regardless of skill level, or time commitment, we have a volunteer position available for you!





OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

You can help students build confidence, resilience, and a lifelong love of learning by giving, big or small:

- Provide meals or transportation to a team
- Provide additional funding or in-kind donations directly to one or multiple teams
- Donate at firstinspires.org/donate
- Double your impact with employee-matched gifts
- Partner with us as a corporate sponsor



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