

Maryland FLL and Qualifier Information



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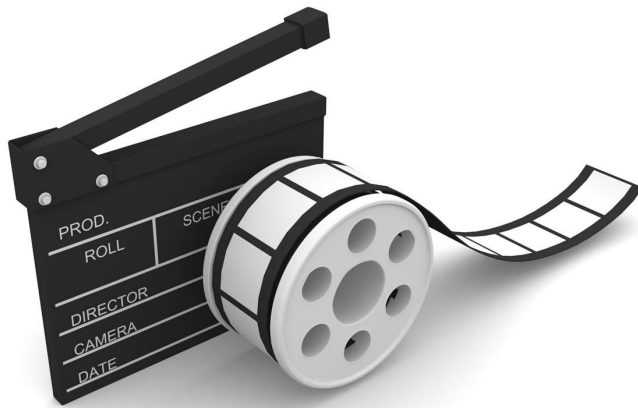
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Welcome Back

Quick Recap, FIRST updated some branding over the last few years





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Fun Facts about FLL in Maryland

Bel-air Boys and Girls club

20 Teams 2003

40 Teams 2004

UMBC

2005: 60 + Teams

2006: 75 +Teams

2007: 90+ Teams

2008: 103 Teams

2009: 165 Teams

2010: 200 Teams

2011: 264 Teams

2012-2013: 300 - 320

2014-2019 ~370-400

2020-2022 ~100-200



FLL Planning Committee

Operational Partner - Jamie Gurganus

Committee Chair - Damian Doyle

Head Judge Advisor - Dave Baran

Head Referee - Richard Blorstad

Qualifier Coordinator - Rose Young

State Volunteer Coordinator - Kalika White

FIRST Senior Mentor - Thomas Milnes

Judge Advisors - Teresa Jahng, Rob Laura, Joe Cunningham, Glenn Speights,

Head Referees - Andy Leeds, Keaton Taliaferro, Thomas Murphy, Joe Cunningham, Ken Schreihofer

Communications and PR - Poulomi Banerjee

Operations and State Championship Manager- Robert Oehrli

Planning Logistics and Technology - Ken Schreihofer and Chris Moss

What should I expect at the Qualifier?

FUN!!!!



- Same Judging, FUN, scoring, FUN, referring, FUN, team participation, core values, LOADS OF FUN, respect, learning, corporation, gracious professionalism.. FUN FUN FUN! As the State competition.
- Every Qualifier is trained to mimic the state level as close as possible



Competition Details

To participate in a Qualifier and State Tournament: One time
Registration Fee (Maryland) : \$75 Due: TBD

Qualifiers and State Tournament

- To receive entrance into the state tournament, teams must participate and be selected from the Qualifiers

Registration:

- A. Your choice of top three
- B. Will hopefully begin no later than second week of October and close end of October. Assignments will be given out a week after.
- D. You must be able to Go to the planned snow date

Please note some of the times may be subject to change.



Qualifier Name	Approximate Location	Date
South County Showdown	Edgewater	12/17/2022
Eastern Shore Regional	Salisbury	1/14/2023
Rockville Science Center	Rockville	1/14/2023
Roar of the Robots 1	Westminster	1/21/2023
M-NCPPC Qualifier	Fort Washington	1/21/2023
McDonogh School Qualifier	Owings Mills	1/21/2023
BSU Qualifier	Bowie	1/21/2023
Roar of the Robots 2	Westminster	1/22/2023
Team APG (Remote)	Remote	1/28/2023
Roboquake on the Lake	Baltimore	1/28/2023
Johns Hopkins APL	Laurel	2/4/2023
Garett Qualifier	Accident	2/4/2023
Baltimore City Qualifier	Baltimore	2/11/2023
State Championship	UMBC	2/25/2023



State Tournament Info

Core Awards Given out at Qualifiers and State Championships

Champion's Award
Robot Design Award
Robot Performance Award
Project Award
Core values Award
Judges Choice (May be up to 2 Teams)

Amount of Awards is based on the amount of teams in each qualifier

Every Student will receive a Medal at competition

How many teams advance to States?

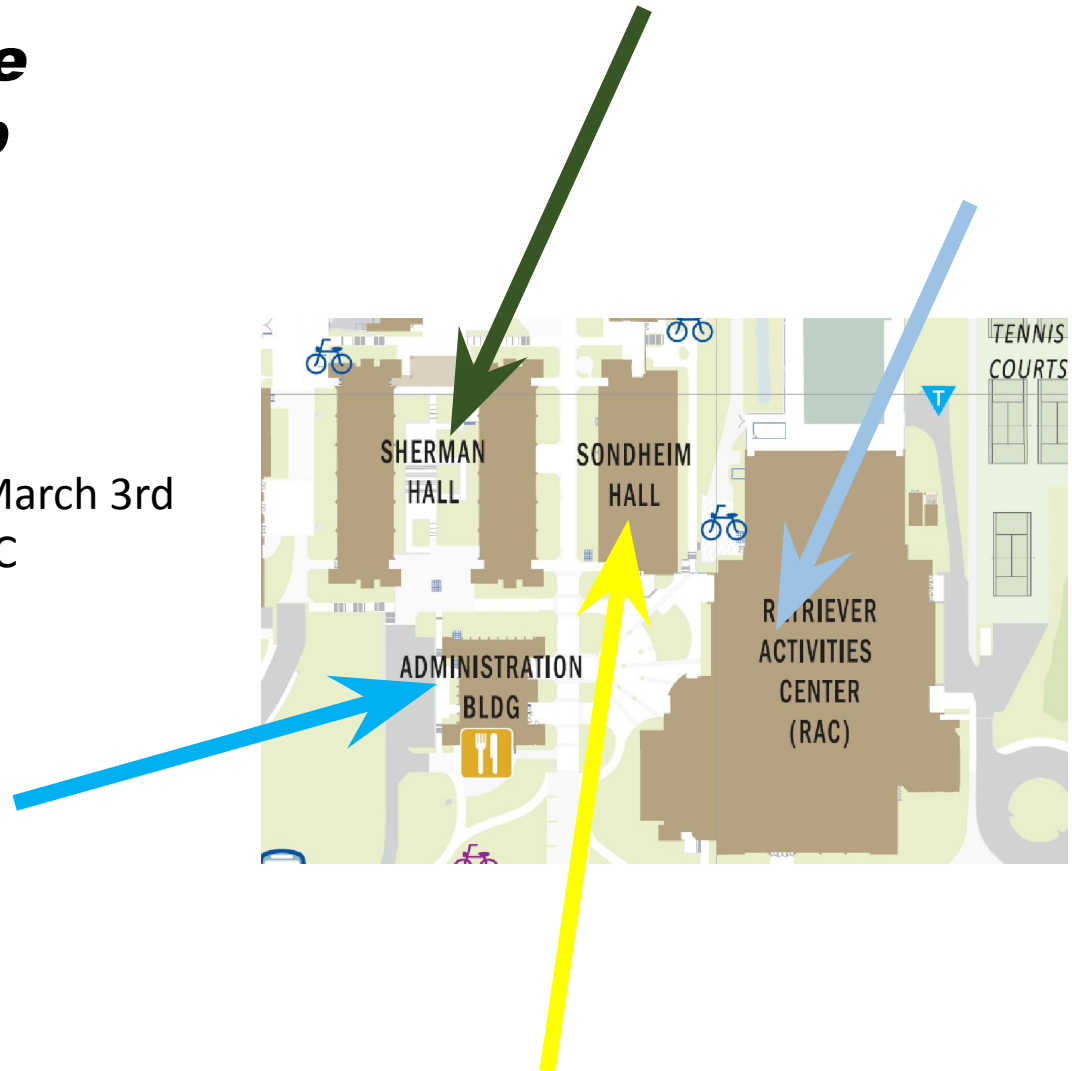
Around 20% of teams advance

Can my Team visit, even if we don't Qualify?

Of course, You may not be able to compete, but please come see the competition! It's a blast, and fun to watch.

Maryland State Championship Location

Date: February 25th, Snow Date March 3rd
Location: Back in the RAC at UMBC



Sample Schedule for Qualifiers and State

Example schedule

7am-8:30am

Check –in and set up for teams to get into the
PIT Area

8:15am

Coaches Meeting

9am-2pm Judging and Practice Rounds

Combined Judging, all at once

At least one practice round in morning

12:30

Opening Ceremony

1pm-4pm

Robot Match Rounds

4:30ish

Awards Ceremony



Judging Overview

- Maryland now uses Consolidated Judging
- Teams will spend 25 - 30 minutes with judges
- Robot Design, Core Values and Project all covered
- No Core Values Activity in Judging
- Know the Rubrics!



Judging Session



Awards

- **Awards**

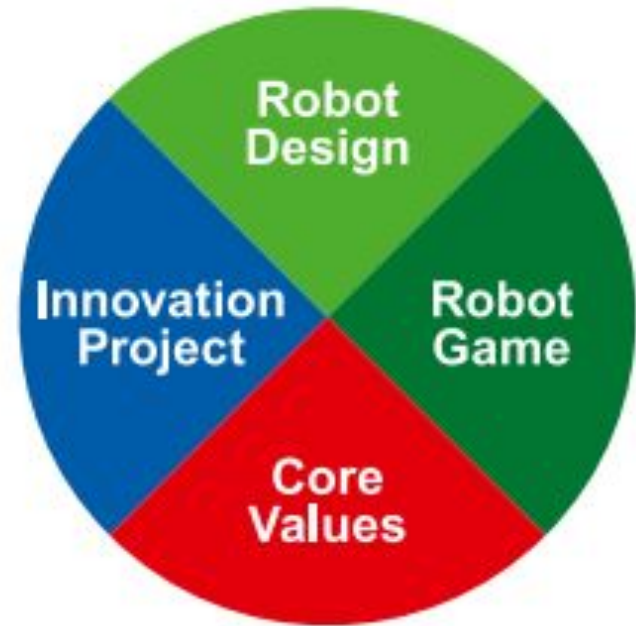
- Champion's Award
- Core Awards (given to equal depth)
 - Core Values
 - Innovation Project
 - Robot Design
 - Robot Performance
- Judges Awards (qualifier dependent)

- **Global Innovation**

- Nomination, not an award
- One nominee per qualifier

Advancement

- **Advancement**
 - Similar percentage of advancing teams across all qualifiers
 - Criteria: Performance across all four areas
 - Robot Design
 - Core Values
 - Innovation Project
 - Robot Performance



Teams may win awards without advancing and may advance without winning Awards!

Other Great Resources



Ways to Connect and Ask Questions

Maryland Coaches Google Group
(all coaches automatically subscribed)

- No Spamming
- No Fundraising
- Anything said, remarked, and commented as inappropriate will have you removed.

Please:

- Ask questions to other teams
- Ask for technical Help about FLL
- Good conversation on ideas is allowed!

Please Make sure if you have any Mentors, Coaches etc, have them sign up by following these [instructions](#). Group name is fll_maryland_coaches-group@umbc.edu

FLL Challenge Website
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