



2/19/2018

Hello FTC teams,

Welcome to the Georgia FIRST Tech Challenge state championship. Saturday 2/24/18. Please note the needed information below as it relates to the tournament and the venue. The Georgia FTC State championship will be held on **Saturday February 24, 2018**.

LOCATION:

Clayton State University (Main campus)
Athletics Building #1
2000 Clayton State Boulevard
Morrow, GA 30260

The event will be held in the Athletics Center, marked as building #1, and you should park in Lot B. Please do not park in Lot A as this space is reserved for Volunteers. You may use the circular drive to unload/Load in front of the building. Please pay attention to the one-way directional signs as you enter the circular drive! A copy of the campus map can be downloaded here <http://www.clayton.edu/Portals/2/images/campus-instructional-sites/Map-Campus.pdf>

TEAM CHECK-IN:

Team check-in begins at 7:30am. Coaches will need to turn in a team roster showing that the electronic consent and release forms have been completed for all members of your team, or you may bring printed forms which can be found here: http://www.firstinspires.org/sites/default/files/uploads/resource_library/volunteer/consent-and-release-form.pdf. Your check-in packet will include among other things, your driver and coach buttons, event schedule and Judge Interview schedule. Please don't lose this.

FRIDAY EARLY PIT SETUP AND SATURDAY INSPECTION:

Teams that wish to setup their pit areas on Friday can do so between 7 and 8pm on Friday evening. A pit map is attached so you can find your assigned pit table. Please do not move or swap places with other teams as this will make it difficult for the judges and inspectors to find you when needed. Teams will not be allowed on the practice field during this period. Prior to arriving at the event Saturday morning, remember to conduct a self-inspection of your robot and bring the completed inspection forms with you to the event. The forms can be found in appendices B and C in part 1 of the game manual.

TOURNAMENT FEE PAYMENT:

If your team has not paid the tournament fee, you can go to the GeorgiaFIRST website at <http://gafirst.org/georgia-first-payments-and-donations/> and choose the online payment method via Paypal. A 4% processing fee will be added to the \$300 tournament fee. We will not be accepting payment on site.

EVENT SCHEDULE:

The schedule for the day is listed below. Please ensure that you arrive on time for check-in and for your team's interview with the Judges.

Time	Event
7:00	Volunteer Check-in
7:30	Team check-in, Pits open, Practice field open
8:00 – 10:00	Inspections & Judging Interviews
10:00	Driver's Meeting
10:30	Opening Ceremony
10:45 – 12:30	Qualification Matches Part 1
12:30 – 1:15	Lunch
1:15 - 3:30	Qualification Matches Part 2
4:00	Alliance Selection
4:15	Elimination & Final Rounds
5:45	Awards & Closing Ceremony
6:30	Pits Close

Judges Interview Schedule						
Time	Panel 1	Panel 2	Panel 3	Panel 4	Panel 5	Panel 6
8:00	9785 Cronos	10219 Batteries Not Included	3819 Green RoboDragons	12762 Tech Titans	2981 Red RoboDragons	11096 East Cobb Robotics
8:20	6047 Twisted Axles	5940 Rockin' Robots	11347 Circuit Runners Black	5494 Oscar	4221 Smida Syndicate	5898 Galactic Lions
8:40	7373 Eagle Robotics Carbon Fiber	11364 Eagle Robotics Diamond Plate	12864 Eclipse	9686 Raiders of the Arc Black	9835 RoboChicks	3726 Mechanics In Blue
9:00	11702 Sentinel Robotics	10158 Kronos Robotics	13593 Scorpius Robotics	7153 Vindicem	11383 Fortissimus	11750 Bellatorum
9:20	12457 Jefferson Dragonics	5100 DarBots 2	6278 RoboGlads	6989 300 Spartans	12769 Rebellion Engineering	11026 Rebel Robotics
9:40	4100 DarBots 1	7673 Dragons & Tiaras	12974 57th Mechanized Brigade	7431 G.E.A.R.S. Silver	5979 CyberStingers Blue	8433 CyberStingers Green

* Teams should be out by 9:55 to attend Drivers meeting at 10:00

USE OF THE PRACTICE FIELD:

Teams will not be allowed use of the practice field until their robots have been inspected. Do not put off getting inspected since this will limit the time available to you to use the practice field later. We will have 2 full practice fields available for use.

FOOD/CONCESSIONS:

In addition to pre-ordered lunches, a concession area is available and will be selling snacks all day. Teams are also allowed to bring in their own food. For those of you wanting to pre-order lunches, a pre-order form is attached to this email. We only have 45 minutes scheduled for lunch which does not leave teams much time to leave the campus for lunch. Teams are highly encouraged to bring their own lunch or take advantage of concessions or pre-order. Please complete and return the form by email to LeTroneMason@clayton.edu by Thursday 2/22 at noon. Clayton State accepts cash, check and credit card payments. If you plan to pay by check on Saturday, please make it payable to Clayton State University.

SITE SAFETY:

Safety glasses are required and must be worn at all times in the pits and well as by drive team members at the competition field and practice field. Make sure you have enough for all your team members. Closed toed shoes are required in the pit area at all time. No cutting, grinding or other activities that generate sparks is allowed in the pit area. If teams need to perform any of these activities, they must be done outside of the venue.

LIMITED LOANER/SPARE PARTS:

We will have limited loaner and spare parts available to teams at pit administration. Parts will be limited to ZTE phones, Moto G phones, Modern Robotics Core modules, Rev Robotics hubs, Tetrax motor and servo controllers a few motors, servos and 12 volt batteries. Teams should bring spare parts as needed for their own use. Spare parts will not be signed out to students, only adult coaches.

REMEMBER TO BRING:

- Your engineering notebook (The team number and team name must appear on the outside of the Engineering Notebook to be considered for awards.)
- Your Robot and laptop for programming. Yes! Teams have actually forgotten to bring these.
- Teams must apply for the Control Award if they wish to be considered for this award. The required form can be found in the Game Manual part 1 and is attached to this email for your use. This form must be given to the judges at the time of your interview.
- A power strip and extension for your pit area. Also be mindful of other teams needs for access to power.
- Label all of your "stuff". Your batteries, chargers, other parts and tools looks a lot like everyone else's.
- Your team spirit and Gracious Professionalism!