

FIRST 2026 CHAMPIONSHIP

PRESENTED BY **BAE SYSTEMS**

Houston
April 29 - May 2

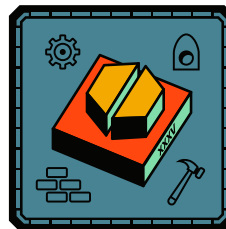
QUICK FACTS

AS OF APRIL 24, 2026

- 50,000+ attendees, including:
 - 19,000+ students on 1,142 teams from 59 countries
 - 1,102 robots
 - 6,200 mentors/coaches/adult supporters
 - 1,600+ event volunteers
- Plus family members, teachers, VIP guests, sponsors, fans, and local spectators

FIRST® Robotics Competition

- 600 teams (out of 3,700+ worldwide)
- 15,000+ students, ages 14-18* (grades 9-12)
- From 16 countries: Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Colombia, Dominican Republic, India, Israel, Mexico, Netherlands, Romania, Switzerland, Türkiye, United Kingdom, and United States
- At FIRST® Championship presented by BAE Systems, teams play several matches with their industrial-sized robots in rotating alliances in one of eight divisions to earn ranking points and advance to final playoffs. They also compete for judged awards.

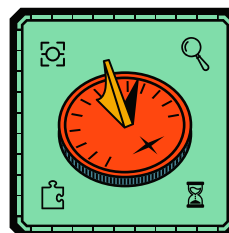


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PRESENTED BY **ANAS**

FIRST® Tech Challenge

- 342 teams (out of 9,600+ worldwide)
- 3,400+ students, ages 12-18* (grades 7-12)
- From 29 countries: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Cyprus, Greece, India, Indonesia, Israel, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mexico, Moldova, Netherlands, New Zealand, Romania, South Africa, South Korea, Switzerland, Thailand, Türkiye, United States, Vietnam, and Independent teams.
- Teams and their classroom-scale robots play 2x2 matches in rotating alliances in one of four divisions across multiple days to earn ranking points and advance to final playoffs. They also compete for judged awards.



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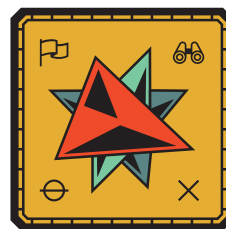
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FIRST® LEGO® League Challenge

- 160 teams (out of 42,000+ worldwide)
- 1,200+ students, ages 9-16* (grades 4-8)
- From 47 countries: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Chinese Taipei, Colombia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Paraguay, Philippines, Romania, Rwanda, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, Uruguay, United States, and Vietnam
- Teams compete to earn awards through robot matches using autonomous LEGO® Education robots, archaeology-themed Innovation Project presentations, and FIRST Core Values activities.

FIRST® LEGO® League Explore

- 40 teams (out of 28,000+ worldwide)
- 200+ students, ages 6-10* (grades 2-4)
- From 14 countries: Brazil, Canada, China, Egypt, Greece, Japan, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Romania, Singapore, South Korea, Switzerland, Thailand, and United States
- Teams present their archaeology-themed models and research to showcase their unique solutions made with LEGO® bricks and LEGO Education technology.



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EVENT RESOURCES

Event Website

www.firstchampionship.org

- Stream Live Matches
- Event Guides
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- Personalized Schedules
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AGE

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*Ages may vary by region



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