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FIRST® ROBOTICS COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Revised Jan 22, 2026 - All times are subject to change

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Team Load-In – 6 Team Reps for all teams
8:00 AM	Machine Shop Open
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Quiet Room Open – location <i>coming soon!</i>
10:00 AM	Inspection Opens
12:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Pits Open
12:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Practice Fields Open
12:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Fields Open to Teams for Measurement & Robot Sensor Calibration and Connection Test
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Driver's Meeting – Galileo Field - Drivers report to the stands
4:30 PM – 4:45 PM	Hall of Fame Ceremony – Galileo Field
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Practice Matches
7:30 PM	Pits, Inspection, and Machine Shop Close

Thursday, April 30, 2026

7:00 AM - 6:30 PM	Pits and Machine Shop Open
7:15 AM – 6:00 PM	Practice Fields Open
7:30 AM – 8:00 AM	Fields Open to Teams for Robot Sensor Calibration and Connection Test
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Quiet Room Open – location <i>coming soon!</i>
8:00 AM – 8:10 AM	Opening Ceremonies
8:10 AM - 6:00 PM	Qualification Matches
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Division Break – Archimedes
11:15 AM – 12:45 PM	Division Break – Curie

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11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Division Break – Daly
11:45 AM – 1:15 PM	Division Break – Galileo
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Division Break – Hopper
12:15 PM – 1:45 PM	Division Break – Johnson
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Division Break – Milstein
12:45 PM – 2:15 PM	Division Break – Newton
6:30 PM	Pits and Machine Shop Close

Friday, May 1, 2026

7:00 AM - 6:30 PM	Pits and Machine Shop Open
7:15 AM – 6:00 PM	Practice Fields Open
7:45 AM – 8:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies (including Volunteer of the Year)
8:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Qualification Matches
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Quiet Room Open – location <i>coming soon!</i>
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Division Break – Newton
11:15 AM – 12:45 PM	Division Break – Milstein
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Division Break – Johnson
11:45 AM – 1:15 PM	Division Break – Hopper
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	<i>FIRST</i> Dean's List Celebration – Hilton America's Ballroom. Doors will open at 11:15am
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Division Break – Galileo
12:15 PM – 1:45 PM	Division Break – Daly
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Division Break – Curie
12:45 PM – 2:15 PM	Division Break – Archimedes
6:30 PM	Pits and Machine Shop Close

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Saturday, May 2, 2026

7:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Pits and Machine Shop Open
7:15 AM	Opening Ceremonies + <i>FIRST</i> Impact Award Finalists, and Alliance Selection
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Quiet Room Open – location <i>coming soon!</i>
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM	Team Load Out
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Division Playoff Matches – Division Awards presented during Playoffs
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Break
2:00 PM	Pits and Machine Shop Close
2:00 PM – 6:30 PM	<i>FIRST</i> Robotics Competition Event Finale (including Einstein Tournament, Einstein Final Matches, Woodie Flowers Award, and the <i>FIRST</i> Impact Award)

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