FIRST® Robotics Competition events have several awards in different categories. Planning award submissions and materials will greatly improve your team’s chances of earning these awards at events.

**Best Practices for Teams & Awards**

To be eligible for any award, teams will be required to follow FIRST® Core Values, demonstrate Gracious Professionalism®, and implement and follow appropriate safety practices. [FIRST Award Page](#)

**EVENT AWARDS**

01. Common Tasks
02. Awards based on Machine, Creativity, and Innovation (Robot Awards)
03. Team Attribute Awards

**Note:**
Please see specific worksheets for Submitted Awards:
- Dean’s List Award
- FIRST Impact Award
COMMON TASKS

DISCUSSION
These tasks are common to almost every FIRST award. Choose the award or awards your team is pursuing.

1. Carefully read the award descriptions for the guidelines. Note what judges are looking for. Where would you look for this?

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2. Gather documentation. Pictures, thank-you letters, media recognition. Where would you find this? How will you present the info (binder, flyer, etc.)?

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3. Prepare for the pit interviews. Make sure students are prepared to speak and have any necessary supplemental materials. (Practice Questions)

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ROBOT AWARDS

DISCUSSION

Think of all of the things that make your robot, design, strategy, or implementation unique.

1. What makes your robot, design, or strategy unique?
   
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2. Who is knowledgeable and prepared to talk to the judges in the pit? (If no one, training may be needed)
   
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3. How can you demonstrate your robot or explain it using supplemental materials?
   
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1. What makes your team unique? What innovative ways have you found to make an impact?

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2. Who is knowledgeable and prepared to talk to the judges in the pit? (If no one, training may be needed)

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3. How can you demonstrate your team or explain it using supplemental materials??

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