

NorCal FTC Town Hall





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Housekeeping

Everyone is muted
All questions through "question box"
Unanswered questions will be answered on the website
This session is being recorded
link to recording will be posted on the website







Introductions

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Agenda

- Decreasing number of plays
- Waitlists
- Volunteers
- FTC Scoring System
 - Document Submission
 - Playing Matches
- JotForm
- Championship/Advancement
- Communication







Decreased Number of Plays - all March/April event 16 teams

- Struggling to find unaffiliated judge volunteers
- Means fewer teams per event
- Will open more spots if possible
- Size will freeze 2 weeks before judging (1 week before play opens)
- Anticipate all late March and all April events to be full (assuming no more Covid surprises)





Waitlists

- Send email waitlist request to ftcwait@playingatlearning.org
- Can be on up to 3 event waitlists at a time
 - As they expire, can add more
- If opening comes up must respond quickly
- An open waitlist spot is just like a registration subject to plays, cancellation, changes, etc.





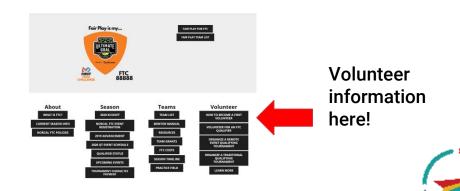


Volunteers

- Must be unaffilated with any current FTC team
- ~1 hour of online training & certification
- Event day ~8:00am to 5:00pm-ish with a lunch break

PLEASE help recruit!!

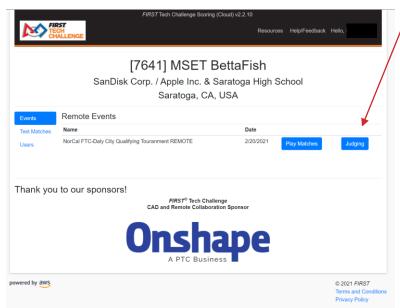
Neighbors, friends, co-workers!



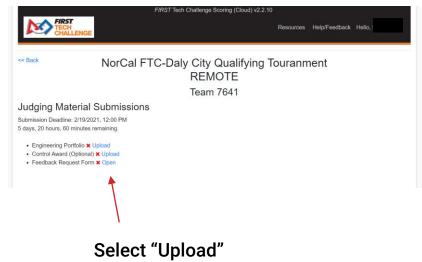




- Document Submission
 - Due noon on Friday!



Select "Judging" to upload docs









Document Submission - Feedback Request Form

	FIRST Tech Challenge Scoring (Cloud) v2.2.10
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	Team 7641
Judging M	laterial Submissions
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	Judging Feedback Form	
Teams must complete the top portion of this form and submit it to the Event Judges in order to eceive feedback*		
Team Number		
Team Name		
Team City/State/Province		
Number of students on the team		
What is the one thing your team is most excited to learn or do in this FTC Season (400 characters or less)		
Please describe what Gracious Professionalism means for your team (400 characters or less)		

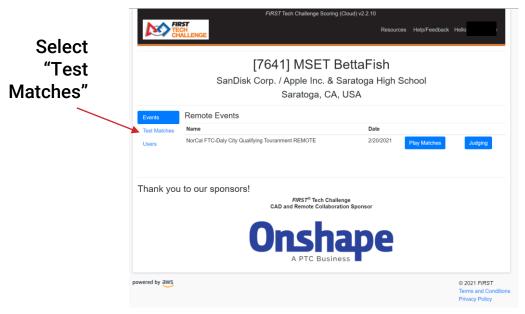
Coach will fill this out inside the Scoring System - be sure you have student answers to the questions.

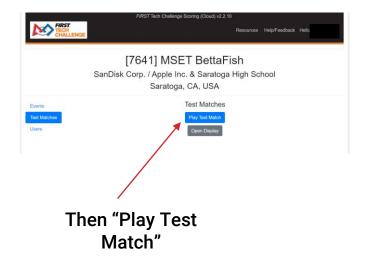






Practice ("Test") Matches



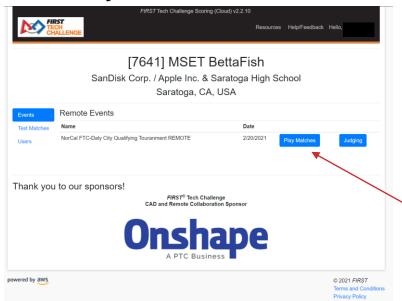


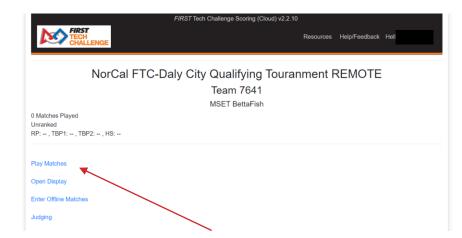






Play Matches





Then "Play Matches"

Select "Play Matches"







FTC Scoring System - Deadlines!!!

- Judging Submissions
 - due by 12pm (noon) the day before the event
- Match Submissions
 - due by 2pm on final day of event DON'T PROCRASTINATE







JotForm

- Collect contact information
- Submit Team Photo
- Submit something to share virtually
- Opt-in for Pit Visits
- Due Tuesday of play week







Championship Update

- Remote Event
- Still evaluating season
- May 1st 2nd
 - Likely judging Saturday morning and 2nd session on Sunday
 - Awards Sunday evening
 - Play will likely be April 26th @ 7:00am through May 2nd @ 2pm
- Looking at 36-48 teams
- Advancement order from Game Manual Part 1 applies for all events
- Advancement will be proportional for size of events





Event Timeline

- 2 weeks before event date last day to add capacity
 - (if enough judges)
- Wednesday before event window opens (10-11 days ahead)
 - Confirm event goes forward
 - Registration closes for event
 - Teams receive first email with details
- Event week
 - Sun/Mon at 7:00am Scoring window opens
 - Tuesday JotForm Due; Judging schedule emailed out
 - Fri/Sat noon upload deadline for documents
 - Friday Zoom login credentials sent to coaches







Event Timeline (continued)

- Judging Day (event date on website)
 - Morning judge interview session (9:00am noon)
 - 2:00pm deadline for all qualifying scores
 - Afternoon pit interviews (1:30-3:30-ish)
 - Pit Visits with other teams (~3:30-4:30p)
 - (Zoom rooms can be open until 5:45pm-ish)
 - Award ceremony (6:00pm-ish)







Communication

- 12 more events
 - 16-24 teams/event
 - expect 3 emails per team (intro, schedule, Zoom credentials)
- Each event
 - verify rosters, payment, submissions (JotForm, FTC Scoring System)
- Plus managing waitlists, schedule changes, general questions and team support

PLEASE READ YOUR EMAILS - and reply as needed in a TIMELY fashion! Pay attention to your deadlines!







Questions???

To ask a question, please type the question into the Question Box!!!



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