



## Team Grant Form

### **FIRST in Texas Grant Opportunities**

History has demonstrated that involvement with *FIRST* robotics is one of the most significant and rewarding engineering education experiences students, teachers and mentors ever have. In fact, in so many cases, *FIRST* is a foundation for college and career choices and opportunities.

Through donations made by the generosity of innovative companies right here in the Lonestar state, *FIRST* in Texas has the capacity to distribute grant awards to teams and competition planning committees in order to further the *FIRST* in Texas purpose to grow and retain teams and *FIRST* events in the state.

### **Grant Eligibility, Overview and Policy**

Teams applying for funding are required to submit a student roster with this application, complete with the team's current students' first and last names, grade, age and student ID number (if affiliated with a school). **Rosters must be on school/organization letterhead.** Teams made up of homeschooled children must submit letters written and signed by the homeschooled children's parents indicating their child is homeschooled and intends to participate on the *FIRST* team. Applicants for funding must also submit a W9 form of the school or organization to which the applying team affiliates. The W9 must be submitted with this application.

Any team awarded a *FIRST* in Texas grant must display the logo of the company providing the financial aid on the competing robot unless otherwise indicated. Teams must also list sponsors within their Team Information Management Systems (TIMS).

Teams receiving grants must participate in at least one *FIRST* sanctioned robotics competition in the state of Texas.

Teams will be awarded grants based on their commitment to the *FIRST* program, financial need, committed support, appreciation of previously awarded grants, gracious professionalism portrayed by the team during the season, and this application.

Teams receiving funding through *FIRST* in Texas will be required to complete a photo release form from US *FIRST* as well as *FIRST* in Texas.

Teams receiving funding are required to participate in student and mentor evaluations and surveys administered by *FIRST* in Texas.

This form presents questions you must address to assure a successful and positive experience. All requirements for this grant are to be submitted to *FIRST* in Texas, separately from US *FIRST*.

This form provides the selection committee information concerning your implementation plans and your degree of commitment. To be eligible for grant funds, teams must be registered in the state of Texas.

### **Please send all responses to:**

**Mail:** *FIRST* in Texas  
12770 Coit Rd Ste 805  
Dallas, Texas 75251

**Fax:** Attn: *FIRST* in Texas Team Grants  
214-273-3729 (signed application must be scanned for submission)

**Email:** [grants@firstintexas.org](mailto:grants@firstintexas.org)

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## Grant Application

### Team Information

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Team Number \_\_\_\_\_ Program (circle one) FRC FTC FLL Jr.FLL

School(s)/ Organizations \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Payer ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address of main school/ organization associated with \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years team has existed if you are a veteran team \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran teams are considered any *FIRST* team that has experienced at least one season of competition.

### Preferred Team Contact Information

Please use this section to let us know how to best communicate with your team

Name of Adult Team Leader \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Team Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

### School/Administrative Contact to Receive Grant Check

Approved teams will receive a check that must be delivered to the entity listed on the W9 your team submits with this grant. Check with your school, ISD, or organization and let us know who at the address provided on the W9, *FIRST* in Texas must send a grant check on behalf of your team in the event your team is selected for a grant through *FIRST* in Texas.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Employee Position \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Office Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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## Team Demographics

Please input a numerical value to indicate how many of each of the following are associated with your team. If a person satisfies more than one category please include them in all categories with which they identify.

Students \_\_\_\_\_ Female Students \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher Advisors \_\_\_\_\_ Minority Students \_\_\_\_\_  
Students with Disabilities \_\_\_\_\_ Student on free/reduced lunch \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Mentors \_\_\_\_\_ Team alumni attending college \_\_\_\_\_  
Engineers/Machinists \_\_\_\_\_ Team alumni attending college with a technical major \_\_\_\_\_  
College Students \_\_\_\_\_ Team alumni working in a technical field \_\_\_\_\_  
Home school students on the team \_\_\_\_\_ Number of students whose parents are affiliated with a local military base \_\_\_\_\_

\*Parents of home schooled children must submit a signed letter confirming the child is homeschooled and intends to participate in the *FIRST* program. Send letters with this application.

## Grant Details

Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper to give us more information about your team. Please keep responses brief.

How much money is your team requesting? \_\_\_\_\_

(Please provide a description for fund allocation. How will you use these funds?)

1. Please describe other funding sources your team receives (ie: from sponsors, fundraisers, and the school).
2. Please describe any non-monetary support your team receives from sponsors, the school, etc.
3. Please provide a budget forecast for this coming season.
4. Please submit a student roster of your team completed with current student names, grade, age and student ID number. A final updated roster will be required at the time of competition.
5. Please explain your plans to start and execute a successful *FIRST* robotics team.
6. What is the history of engineering and robotics education at your school/organization?
7. How will your team be organized?
8. Where will you get engineering and mentor support?
  - a. Who is already committed to helping your team?
9. What facilities will you use to build the robot?
10. What plan does your team have for both financial and operational sustainability?

Additional questions for veteran teams (Veteran teams are considered any *FIRST* team that has experienced at least one season of competition.):

1. Please list the community-based events your team has participated in or organized in the past year.  
Examples: mentoring other *FIRST* teams, hosting and/or sponsoring a FLL tournament, sharing the ideals of *FIRST* within your community, any community based volunteering, public robot demonstrations, etc.
2. Does your team attend or host any offseason *FIRST* events? If so, which events?
3. Please describe a significant achievement or improvement that your team has made over a previous season.
4. Please list the awards your team has won over the course of its existence in reverse chronological order.

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**Thank you for submitting a *FIRST* in Texas grant application.** Please make sure all necessary information has been provided with this application. This grant application will be reviewed in the order submitted. The main team contact listed in this grant application will be notified of the status of the grant application following its review.

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**Signature**

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**Date**

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**Print Name**

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**Title**

**\*By signing this document you agree to the policies and eligibility requirements listed at the front of this application. Applications cannot be considered for a grant without a signature.**