



Sports for the Mind

# Los Altos Robotics

## FIRST™ LEGO® League



### Do you want to build robots and have fun with your friends?

The 11<sup>th</sup> annual Los Altos Robotics FIRST LEGO League program starts Sep 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 and you are invited to join us. See if you can improve our quality of life by conquering the **Food Factor™ Challenge**. Boys and girls 9 to 14 years old explore the topic of food safety and examine the possible points of contamination our food encounters – from exposure to insects and creatures, to unsterile processing and transportation, to unsanitary preparation and storage – then find ways to prevent or combat these contaminants.

To get involved, organize an FLL team with a group of friends, sign up to get your robot kit, and get ready for 3 months of awesome fun. Each fall, teams of 4-6 players have 8 weeks to design, construct, program, and test their robots. They compete in exciting tournaments in the Bay Area and even beyond, running their robots against other teams, and showing off their ingenious ideas.

Los Altos Robotics hosts the **Los Altos FLL Tournament**, a popular qualifying event for the Northern California state tournament. Last year, 24 Los Altos area teams with over 120 local students participated. Cost per player ranges from \$125 to \$160. Over 15,000 teams, with more than 180,000 players will be competing in similar tournaments around the world. Visit [www.LosAltosRobotics.org](http://www.LosAltosRobotics.org) for news, tournament videos, and team participation information.

### 2011 Schedule

- Open NOW! Team Registration is open now at [www.FirstLegoLeague.org](http://www.FirstLegoLeague.org)
- Sun, Aug 14 I.am FIRST event on ABC TV featuring Will.I.Am of Black Eyed Peas
- Fri, Sep 2 Challenge announced at [www.FirstLegoLeague.org](http://www.FirstLegoLeague.org) and [www.usfirst.org](http://www.usfirst.org)
- Tue, Sep 6 **Parent Orientation** meeting, 7:30 PM, at Mnt View HS
- Wed, Sep 7 Application for Los Altos scrimmage opens at [www.LosAltosRobotics.org](http://www.LosAltosRobotics.org)
- Early Oct Application for Bay Area tournaments opens at [www.norcalFLL.org](http://www.norcalFLL.org)

#### Tournament Dates

- Sun, Oct 23 **Los Altos Scrimmage** at Blach School. All visitors are welcome.
- Sun, Nov 13 **Los Altos Tournament** at Blach School All visitors are welcome.

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Call Wyn or Michael Schuh at (650) 965-8037 if you have questions