

Judging in the Time of Covid-19

what you need to know

What FTC Judging Entails Usually

- Formal Team Interview
- Engineering Notebook
- Evaluation of Performance
- Pit Interviews

What FTC Judging Entails This Year

- Formal Team Interview - now remote
- Engineering Notebook - and the Portfolio
- Evaluation of Performance - video of control award
- Pit Interviews - 5 - 10 minute call backs
- Optional team feedback form

The Formal Interview

- Sign up for your time
- be prepared – computers ready, upload paperwork
- first impressions
- use time wisely – a) 5 minute presentation
b) 10 minute questions

The Engineering Notebook and Portfolio

- the initial impression
- what are the rules?
- follow the rules
- many examples
- lots of guidelines (rules and expectations)
- start as you mean to go on
- develop a meaningful written record

Pit Interview - actually Call Back Interview

- Every team will have one
- Listen to the questions carefully
- answer their questions clearly and specifically
- offer other information but be respectful of their time
- be polite and enthusiastic

Getting the most out of the process

- Plan and Prepare
- Organize a practice interview
- Practice however you will be doing the interview
- Use the Team Judging Session Self Reflection Sheet
- Remember the core values

FTC Core Values 2017 version

- We display Gracious Professionalism® with everyone we engage with and in everything we do.
- We act with integrity.
- We have fun.
- We are a welcoming community of students, Mentors, and Volunteers.
- What we learn is more important than what we win.
- We respect each other and celebrate our diversity.
- Students and adults work together to find solutions to challenges.
- We honor the spirit of friendly competition.
- We behave with courtesy and compassion for others always.
- We act as ambassadors for FIRST and FIRST Tech Challenge.
- We inspire others to adopt these values.

FTC Core Values 2018 version



Core Values

FIRST Core Values

We express the *FIRST* philosophies of *Gracious Professionalism* and *Coopertition* through our Core Values:

- **Discovery:** *We explore new skills and ideas.*
- **Innovation:** *We use creativity and persistence to solve problems.*
- **Impact:** *We apply what we learn to improve our world.*
- **Inclusion:** *We respect each other and embrace our differences.*
- **Teamwork:** *We are stronger when we work together.*
- **Fun:** *We enjoy and celebrate what we do!*

Inspire

- role model team
- top contender in most areas
- strong performance
- consistent GP
- can only be won once at each level

Think

- best reflects the journey
- The portfolio gets the team nominated for think
- strong engineering notebook
- exemplary engineering section
- Important to read the guidelines

Connect

- connects the dots
- outreach
- strategic plan
- community and business

Collins UTC Innovate

- thinks outside the box
- ingenuity and inventiveness
- sub-assembly elegant and unique
- work reliably
- notebook

Control Award sponsored by Arm, Inc.

- uses sensors and software to enhance performance
- apply on correct form
- Video submission required
- notebook
- work reliably

Motivate

- exemplifies essence of FTC
- enthusiasm
- celebration
- functions well as unit
- All team members should participate in the interview

Design

- design elements functional and aesthetic
- well considered design basis
- differentiated
- notebook

Other Awards

- Which ones are being given?
- Promote
- Compass
- Judges

Keeping everything in Perspective

- playing the game
- enjoying the culmination of your work
- expectations
- goals

Questions?