Event Preparation Tips for FLL Challenge

Info: https://www.firstinspires.org/resource-library/fll/challenge/challenge-and-resources

Before the Event

get all kids signed up with C&R signed (requires 2 coaches with YPP done)

questions? Look here: https://www.firstinspires.org/resource-library/youth-registration-system

print roster to bring to event

be prepared for delay if any incomplete roster

watch event prep video with the team

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OTmQigVHNMg&feature=youtu.be

you will get a team info packet containing location, list of teams, schedule, food, awards, checklist of what to bring, etc.

At the Event

teams get detailed schedule

coach meeting, covering

this is all about the kids, not the adults

any particulars about the venue – washrooms, judging rooms, off-limits areas

schedule

reminder about judging - be on time, coach must not interfere, core values are judged

everywhere, not just during the judging session

where and when to get rubrics

food

safety - First Aid, emergencies

practice table use

lost and found, general info

non-team members should not approach judges or refs about a team's performance

judging

check out the judging slideshow posted here https://firstroboticsbc.org/fll-challenge-season-information/ under "coach resources"

no coaching while in the judging room

who carries what into the room? (team needs to carry everything)

practice the presentation

check against rubrics; make it easy for the judges

don't make it too long (5 min max)

have a list of what you definitely want to get across

don't leave anything (paper, pamphlets) with the judges

robot runs

practice robot runs, including coming to the table and setting up

check robot game updates online

who carries what to the tables?

once there, everything needs to be on the table or in your hands

if you carry a bin, where will it go?

get set up, have programs ready

know program order, who will run what, who will be at each launch area, will you swap?

remember people can't switch between launch areas

no handing anything directly to other launch area

check the table before start, tell ref if anything seems wrong

wait for the ref to give the ok to take robot away at the end

if not agreeing with ref at the end, team (not the coach) should ask for head ref