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**WHAT TEAMS
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**Over \$14 Million
in College
Scholarships for
FIRST Students**

**FIRST® FAMILY
OF PROGRAMS**

*It's the Hardest Fun
You'll Ever Have!*

FIRST

- Founded 1989
- Headquartered in Manchester, NH
- 501(c)(3) public charity
- [FIRST Financial Information](#)

Leadership

- **Dean Kamen, Founder**
- **Walt Havenstein, Chairman of the Board**
- **Jon Dudas, President**
- **Board of Directors & Senior Management**

Supporters

- **More than 100,000 Volunteers make FIRST happen**
- **FIRST is supported by a network of more than 3,500 Sponsors, including corporations, educational and professional institutions, and individuals**

Programs

- **FIRST Robotics Competition for Grades 9-12 (ages 14-18)**
- **FIRST Tech Challenge for Grades 9-12 (ages 14-18)**
- **FIRST LEGO League for Grades 4-8 (ages 9-16; 9-14 in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico)**
- **Junior FIRST LEGO League for Grades K-3 (ages 6-9)**
- **FIRST Place for ages 6 to adult**

2012 FIRST Scholarship Program

- More than \$14 million in college scholarships
- 665+ scholarship opportunities
- 150+ scholarship providers

Overall Reach - All Programs Combined (projected for the 2011/12 season)

- 293,000+ students

- 26,800+ teams
- 24,000+ robots
- 51,000 Mentors/adult supporters
- 50,000 other Volunteers (e.g. events Volunteers, Operational and Affiliate Partners)

See breakdowns by individual program below (projections for 2011/12 season).

2012 *FIRST* Robotics Competition

- 2,343 teams
- 58,000+ high-school students (Grades 9-12)
- 52 Regional Events; 1 State Championship; 1 Region Championship; 15 District Competitions
- *FIRST* Robotics Competition Championship at the *FIRST* Championship in St. Louis, MO, April 25-28, 2012
- Robots are built in 6 weeks from a common kit of parts provided by *FIRST*, and typically weigh up to 150 lbs.

2011/12 *FIRST* Tech Challenge

- 2,100 teams
- 21,000 high-school students (Grades 9-12)
- 100+ Qualifying and Championship Tournaments
- *FIRST* Tech Challenge World Championship at the *FIRST* Championship in St. Louis, MO, April 25-28, 2012
- Robots are built using a re-usable, modular robotics platform

2011/12 *FIRST* LEGO League

- 19,800 teams
- 198,000 children, ages 9 to 16* (Grades 4-8)
- From 50+ countries
- 560 Qualifying Tournaments; 117 Championship Tournaments; 3 Open Championships
- *FIRST* LEGO League World Festival at the *FIRST* Championship in St. Louis, MO, April 25-28, 2012
- Autonomous robots are built using LEGO MINDSTORMS technologies

*Ages 9 to 14 in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico

2011/12 Junior *FIRST* LEGO League

- 2,600 teams
- 15,600 kids, ages 6 to 9 (Grades K-3)
- 80+ Jr.FLL Expos
- Participants design and construct a model using LEGO bricks and moving parts and present their research journey on a poster

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