



Volunteer Information Packet



2025-2026 RI FTC Second Chance Qualifier

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Event Details

Date: Saturday, January 31, 2026

Volunteer Arrival Time: Varies, [see below for details](#)

Estimated End Time: 3:30 PM

Location:  CCRI Knight Campus , Great Hall

Address: 400 East Avenue, Warwick, RI

Venue Map: [Click Here for Venue Map](#)

Pit Map: [Click Here for Pit Map](#)

Parking and Entering CCRI Knight Campus

Teams and Volunteers will park in the CCRI Student Lot **(marked in red on the load-in map below)**.

Volunteers must enter via the Main Entrance **(marked by a green arrow on the load-in map below)**.

Volunteer Check-In will be in the Main Lobby.



Volunteer Check-In

Volunteers will receive their Volunteer Name Badge at the Volunteer Check-In Table, which must be visible to teams to identify yourself as a registered volunteer.

Per *FIRST* policy, all volunteers **must** register online and complete a Youth Protection Screening before they are eligible to volunteer at any *FIRST* event. Walk-on volunteers are not permitted.

Volunteer Role Assignments/Arrival Times

Volunteers will receive their Volunteer Role Assignments via email from donotreply@firstinspires.org. This email will include details regarding your specific Role Assignment time. Volunteers who have an assignment time of “Full Day” should plan to arrive around 8:00am on Saturday 1/17.

Please note: Volunteers may receive multiple emails from donotreply@firstinspires.org, listing multiple roles/assignment times. All role assignments can be viewed in your Express Volunteer Summary [here](#).

We anticipate that the event will end by 3:30pm, however, this is subject to change depending on the flow of the event. Volunteer Role Assignments may end earlier than the event’s end time.

If you have any questions about your role assignments or arrival times, please contact Tom Rishworth and Erin Flynn at ftc-ri@nefirst.org.

Food

A light, continental breakfast will be provided in the morning, along with a boxed lunch, water and coffee throughout the day for all volunteers. Vending Machines are available near the Great Hall restrooms as shown on the [Venue Map](#).

Key Volunteers

Below is a list of the Key Volunteers overseeing various roles and responsibilities during this event. Should you have any questions regarding the performance of your duties on event day, do not hesitate to ask your role's Key Volunteer.

Team Registration: Tom Rishworth

Volunteer Check-In: Tom Rishworth

Queuers: Tom Rishworth

Pit Administration: Tom Rishworth

Judges: Adam Bessette/Mike DeSousa

Referees: Mike Daley

Inspectors: Ricky Saquic

Field Resetters: Mike Daley

Game Announcers: Tom Rishworth

Event Schedule

Please see the [event schedule](#) for a tentative outline of the Second Chance Qualifier. Please note that the doors open at 8:00am for teams and that team check in closes at 8:55am. Judging and Inspection will start at 9:00am.

PIT Area

Safety glasses and closed-toed/closed-heeled shoes are required at all times in the PIT area (Lower Commons) and ARENA area (Great Hall). Volunteers serving in roles around the PIT or competition field are subject to this rule. If you have your own pair of safety glasses, feel free to bring them with you. If not, safety glasses will be available for volunteers at Volunteer Check-In.

Per CCRI regulations, teams are **strictly prohibited** from using power tools, high-draw appliances (i.e. Crock-Pots, Electric Kettles), open flame, heat guns and any chemicals which are considered hazardous/emit noxious fumes. This applies to both the PIT area (Lower Commons) and ARENA area (Great Hall) during the event. We ask that all volunteers remain vigilant and report any unsafe behaviors encountered during the event to tournament officials immediately.

As is the case at all *FIRST* Tech Challenge events, no parents or unauthorized visitors are allowed in the PIT (Lower Commons).

Safety & Security Reminders/Emergency Procedures

State Fire Code and CCRI Policy requires everyone to evacuate the building in the event of a fire alarm. We ask that all volunteers familiarize themselves with their nearest Emergency Exit(s), make a plan for how and where you'll regroup with other volunteers, and move away from the building to allow access for first responders. Please keep walkways and exits clear and free of hazards (such as loose extension cords or spills).

For all other emergencies, we ask that all individuals remain calm, remain quiet, and listen carefully for instructions provided by tournament and school officials, which will be relayed over the Public Address system.

Fire extinguishers and AEDs are mounted to the walls in several locations throughout the building. The First Aid Station can be found at the Scoring Table in the ARENA (Great Hall).

In addition to physical safety, emotional and psychological safety are also very important. If you see someone who might be struggling, please check in with them and see how you can help, or notify tournament officials immediately.

Keeping *FIRST* events safe is everyone's responsibility. During the course of this event, if you see something unsafe, please report it to tournament officials immediately.

Practice Field

There will be a practice field in the PIT Area (Lower Commons). **The practice field will not be open during the drivers meeting and opening ceremonies.**

Inspection

Teams have been assigned scheduled times for Inspection. Inspections will take place in the ARENA (Gymnasium) at designated areas. Teams are expected to be at the scheduled location at the time their appointment starts. Teams that do not pass inspection may go up for reinspection, but they must wait until all teams scheduled for that time slot have been inspected. The Inspection Schedule can be found [here](#).

Judging

Teams have been assigned scheduled times for their Structured Interview. Structured Interviews will be taking place in classrooms as shown on the [Venue Map](#). Teams must report to the classroom entrance no later than 5 minutes prior to the start of their Structured Interview. The Judging Schedule can be found [here](#).

Teams may utilize the display screens in the Judging Rooms to display content as part of their Structured Interview. Teams are expected to be ready to begin their Structured Interview within a reasonable period of time after entering the Judging Room, factoring in setup time for any displays/demonstrations. The display screens can accept display input over USB-C or HDMI. USB-C and HDMI cables are already attached to the display screens. Please do not remove, unplug or tamper with the display screens or their attached cables.

Spectators

Spectators are welcome to come and cheer on the teams competing in this qualifier. A livestream of the event is available on the [Rhode Island FTC website](#), for those who are unable to join us in-person. Opening ceremonies are scheduled to begin at 11:30am, and qualification matches are scheduled to begin at 11:45 AM. We expect the event to end around 3:30pm. We respectfully request that spectators do not enter the PIT Area (Lower Commons) during competition.

Livestreaming of the Event

A livestream of the event is available on the [Rhode Island FTC website](#). Access to Live Match Data and Results is available at this link as well.

Audio/Visual Recordings and Photographs

Photographs and video recordings will be taken during this event, entrance to the qualifier serves as permission for these recordings to be made and distributed for purposes including but not limited to social media purposes. For more information, please read the [FIRST Privacy Policy](#).

Guest WiFi Access

A Guest WiFi network is available for teams to utilize during this event. The Network Name is "CCRI_Community". When prompted, enter "ccriquest" as the Username, and "ccri1234" as the Password. For more information, see the CCRI Information Technology website [here](#).

Questions

If you have questions about the event, please contact Erin Flynn and Tom Rishworth at ftc-ri@nefirst.org.



Competing Teams



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Competing Teams

Team Number	Team Name	School/Organization	Town/City	Rookie Year
654	Barrington Bionics	Barrington High School	Barrington	2007
689	Avenge Bots	East Greenwich High School	East Greenwich	2007
3221	Avenge BOTZ	East Greenwich High School	East Greenwich	2008
6402	Mecha Mariners	Rocky Hill School	East Greenwich	2012
7093	RaiderBots	Charles E. Shea Senior High School	Pawtucket	2013
10773	Chariho Chargers	CHARIHotech	Wood River Junction	2015
15374	The Velocity Raptors	North Kingstown High School	North Kingstown	2018
21406	Bulldogs	Westerly High School	Westerly	2022
24507	Beak Bots	Barrington High School	Barrington	2023

4 teams will advance to the 2025-2026 RI FTC Championship (Saturday 2/7/26 at [North Kingstown High School](#))



Event Schedule



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Time	Schedule Item
8:00	PIT & Team Check-In Opens
8:55	Team Check-In Closes, Teams Queued for Judging
9:00	Inspections and Structured Interviews Start
11:00	Inspection Tables Close, Match List Generated
11:15	Driver's Meeting (Practice Field Closed)
11:30	Opening Ceremonies
11:45	Matches Start
12:45	Lunch
1:20	Matches Queued
1:25	Matches Resume
2:30	Alliance Selection
2:45	Playoff Rounds/Awards Start
4:00	PIT Closes

Match Schedule will be distributed to teams and posted on [FTC-Events](#) after Inspections are complete.

Times are subject to change, with or without notice, based on the flow of the event.



Judging/Inspection Schedule

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Judging/Inspection Schedule

	654	689	3221	6402	7093	10773	15374	21406	24507
9:00		Room 1	Room 2						
9:20				Room 1		Table 1	Room 2	Table 1	
9:40	Room 1	Table 1	Table 2		Room 2				
10:00				Table 1			Table 2		Room 1
10:20	Table 1				Table 2	Room 1		Room 2	
10:40									Table 1
11:00									
11:15									

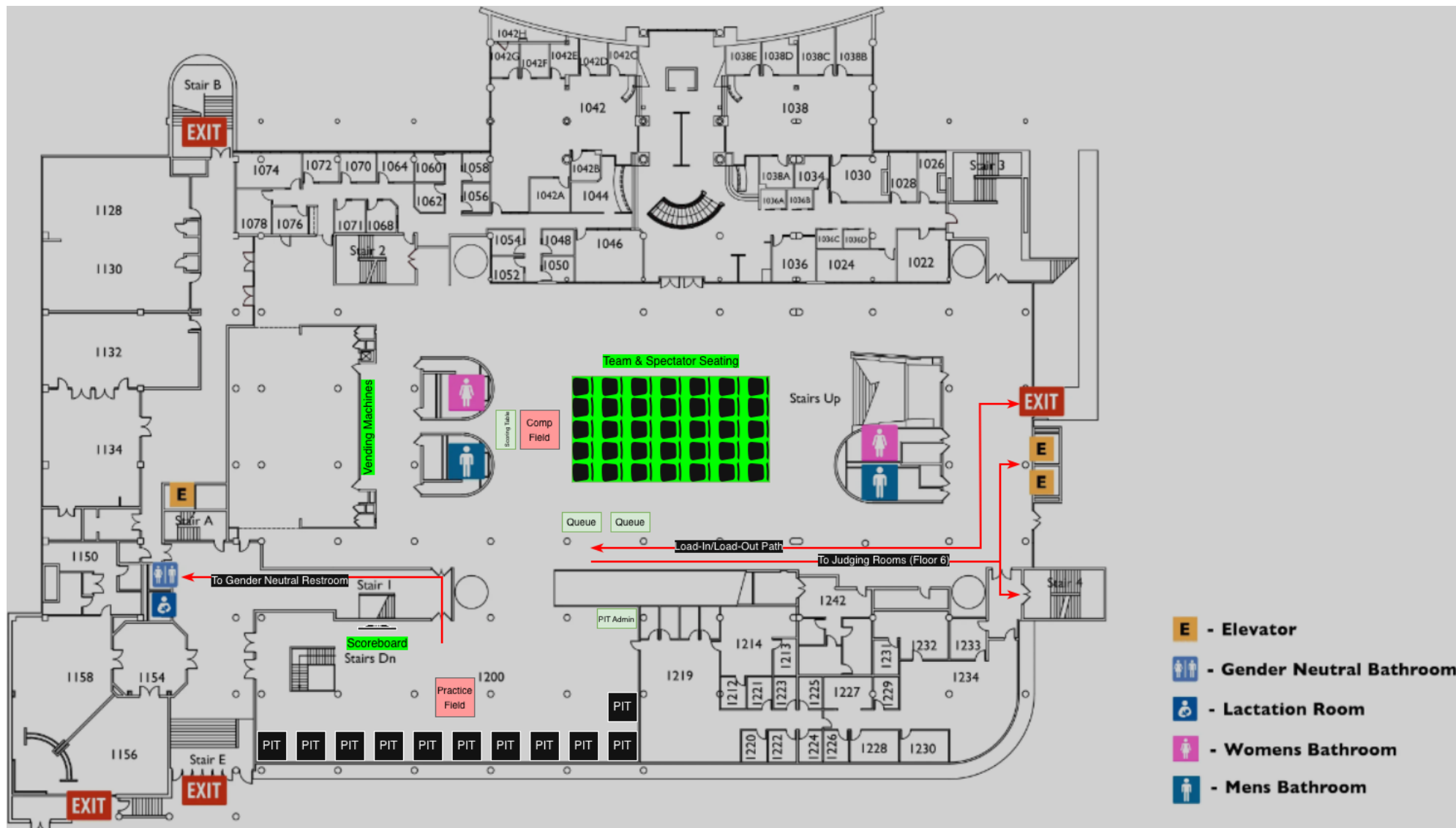
	INSPECTION
	JUDGING (STRUCTURED INTERVIEWS)
	DRIVER'S MEETING - PRACTICE FIELD CLOSED



Venue Map

2025-2026 RI FTC Qualifier 2

Venue Map





Pit Map

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Pit Map

A modern, searchable Pit Map is available at <https://ftc-events.firstinspires.org/2025/USRIWOQ/pitMap>.

