FIRST. 2022 CHAMPIONSHIP

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Social Media Toolkit





Follow & amplify the conversation on social media!

Connect with FIRST®

- o <u>Instagram</u>
- o <u>Twitter</u>
- o <u>Facebook</u>
- o <u>TikTok</u> account launched February 2022 & will be a major platform during Championship
- o <u>LinkedIn</u>

Follow FIRST Programs

- Twitter: <u>@FRCTeams</u>, <u>@FTCTeams</u>, <u>@firstlegoleague</u>
- Facebook: FIRST Robotics Competition, FIRST Tech Challenge, FIRST LEGO League



Join the #FIRSTChamp conversation!

Be a content contributor!

When posting videos and photos during the event, tag *FIRST* handles and use hashtags:

Event hashtag (use to show you are at Championship or talking about Championship): #FIRSTChamp

Narrative hashtag: we are using **#MoreThanRobots** as the overarching Championship narrative to tell a visual and interactive story about what makes *FIRST* more than robots; we are leaning into the buzz surrounding the "More Than Robots" Disney+ documentary and pulling this narrative thread throughout all our Championship content.

Other hashtags:

• **#BuildTheFuture:** as a secondary narrative hashtag, we'll be showcasing how members of the *FIRST* Community (includes students, mentors, volunteers, parents, sponsors, donors, etc.) build the future through their participation in and/or support of *FIRST*).



Tips for telling the FIRST story

• It enlightens

- Provides info to help people understand FIRST and/or how FIRST is #MoreThanRobots
- Captures the community-wide teamwork, *Coopertition[®]* and *Gracious Professionalism[®]* that build the *FIRST* community

o It's entertaining

- Think fun, light-hearted, visual
- Short, attention-grabbing videos are often the most engaging (TikTok style)

• It evokes an emotional response

- Allows the audience to see themselves in the story you're telling, and/or the problem you're trying to solve
- Highlights how the *FIRST* students of today are building the future of tomorrow (#BuildTheFuture)
- o Invites conversation and amplification



Tips Continued

- **Consider video instead of images** even if it's just a few seconds
 - Ex. Pose a question in the caption or as text on the screen, have the question answered by several students in quick clips throughout the video
 - "Why is *FIRST* more than robots to you?"
 - "If you could describe *FIRST* in one word, what would it be?"
- Capture action shots instead of posed shots take screenshots of videos if easier!
 - Highlight teams helping each other, working together, and celebrating one another to demonstrate how the values of Gracious Professionalism[®] and Coopertition[®] make FIRST more than robots
 - Ex. Photos of alliances, teams sharing resources, cheering together, etc.
 - Tip: Try to get the social handles of any teams you're highlighting and tag them!