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Coming to you from FIRST[®] LEGO[®] League Jr. Headquarters in Manchester, NH, USA.

This is the 3rd email blast for the *FIRST* LEGO League Jr. World Festival Expo at the *FIRST*[®] Championship in Houston. If your team recently registered – welcome! You can find the World Festival email blast archive <u>here</u>.

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What's New?

Event A-Z Guide

The guide includes information about parking, concessions, safety, and more – check it out here.

Event App

Enhance your *FIRST* Championship experience with our event app! The app includes detailed program schedules, interactive maps, activities, team info, alerts, and more. Download.

Pre-Order Lunch

To pre-order lunch on-site and view lunch selections, please use the order form found <u>here.</u> Submit your pre-orders by April 13.

Team Numbers

Your team will be assigned a World Festival Expo Team Number (1-60) at the event. This number will be your team's identification throughout the event and the number called at our Awards Ceremony. We will have existing team numbers and team names posted next to your World Festival Expo team number for spectators.

Reviewing

We are very excited to test a new reviewing model at this year's World Festival Expo in both Houston and Detroit. The goal of the "new" reviewing model is to ensure teams know what to expect at the event and feel they have accomplished something they should be proud of. In an effort to help teams feel relaxed and prepared for the reviewing process, attached you will find the assessment sheet that our reviewers will be using. The second page is a list of the awards that will be given to each team at the event.

In addition to these awards, we will also be introducing a Team Choice Award! After meeting other teams on Thursday and Friday, teams will be able to vote on which team they think is the best representation of a *FIRST* LEGO League Jr. team for our Team Choice award.

Details regarding this process and the opportunity to ask questions will take place during the Coaches' Meeting on Thursday afternoon. Questions prior to World Festival Expo can be directed to <u>Kristen MacCulloch</u>.

LEGO[®] Education Interviews

Exciting opportunity! The LEGO Education development team is visiting Houston and would like to setup interviews with coaches/teachers using WeDo in the elementary classroom. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Torben Jessen torben.jessen@lego.com.

Calling all volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers to fill roles on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in Houston. Please



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encourage family and friends to join in on the fun. Volunteers receive free meals and parking during their scheduled volunteer hours, as well as a t-shirt. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit our Volunteer Roles and Application Instructions <u>here</u>.

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Important Reminders:

Coaches' Meeting

Please ensure one of your team's coaches can attend the Coaches' Meeting on **Thursday from 4:00 - 4:30pm**. Teams will receive detailed information regarding the reviewing and activities schedule.

Travel Discounts

It's time to book your *FIRST* Championship travel! Book your discounted hotel, car rental, ground transportation and airfare with *FIRST*. When you book through *FIRST*, you'll be booking secure and safe travel that's been vetted by us at the best price. For more information, check out the Championship Travel Discount webpage <u>here</u>.

We're looking forward to seeing you soon!

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