Date: March 31, 2017 Subject: Email #5: *FIRST®* LEGO[®] League World Festival at the *FIRST*[®] Championship – St. Louis – Pre-Order Lunch Forms – Consent and Release – St. Louis Cardinals Tickets - Team Pictures

Dear World Festival Teams:

We are excited to welcome you to the $FIRST^{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}}}$ LEGO[®] League World Festival at the $FIRST^{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}}}$ Championship in St. Louis, Missouri, USA on April 26 – 29, 2017! Below is information that may be helpful to you and your team as you plan your trip.

Items in green are specifically for teams **outside** the United States and Canada.

Items in blue are specifically for United States and Canadian teams.

Items in yellow require action by ALL teams.

This is the 5th email blast for the *FIRST*[®] LEGO[®] League World Festival at the *FIRST*[®] Championship in St. Louis. If your team has recently registered and missed the previous email blasts, you will be able to view archived PDF versions <u>here.</u>

Lunch Pre-Orders



The America's Center will offer teams the convenience of preordering lunches for Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

You can pre-order lunches for your team here.

Please read through each of the headings under "yourboxlunch" on the left hand side of the page for important information.

Championship Website

• Take some time to look over the *FIRST* Championship website where you will find lots of information including schedules, maps of venues and other *FIRST* Program details: <u>https://www.firstchampionship.org/first-lego-league-st-louis</u>



FIRST Championship—St. Louis Cardinals Ticket Offer

- Join us for the *FIRST* "Night At The Ballpark" at Busch Stadium, Friday, April 28th to watch the St. Louis Cardinals take on the Cincinnati Reds.
- The Cardinals have generously offered discounted tickets at \$20.00 (+ service fee) each which includes the price of admission, as well as a hot dog and soda voucher for all *FIRST* Championship attendees.
- Come early—all *FIRST* ticketholders will have a chance to participate in a pre-game field parade, and will be able to watch the on-field recognition ceremony, including an Honorary First Pitch to a Cardinals player!
- The Cardinals are also offering a 10% discount at the main Team Store on Level One between Gates 3 & 4 at Busch Stadium. You may stop in the store between Wednesday and Sunday during Championship week—show your *FIRST* badge to take advantage of this great offer.

Please go to the following link to order your tickets directly from the St. Louis Cardinals: <u>http://m.mlb.com/cardinals/tickets/info/first-championship</u>

FIRST® and GET Sports

Once again, *FIRST* has partnered with GET Sports to provide assistance with all your travel needs to the 2017 *FIRST* Championship!

- Whether you need help with air flights, charter busses, rental cars, or shuttles, GET Sports has a solution for you.
- This year they have added some additional services for your convenience, including meal deals at local restaurants, tours and attractions, and travel insurance. They even have some great fundraising solutions! And they aren't all business either!

GET Sports has also partnered with some of the great local attractions to provide activities for teams in their spare time. Be sure to check out these options by visiting their website at http://gettravel.com/2017-first-robotics-championship-st-louis/

Women in STEM

The 4th Annual "Women in STEM, a fun, interactive panel discussion happening at both Championship locations this year. Dynamic women panelists, from a variety of industries and in various stages of their careers, will take your questions about careers, college, working in STEM fields, and more. Everyone is welcome. Friday, April 28th 11:00am to 1:00pm, Ferrara Theater – America's Center.

This is a very popular event so arrive early to get a seat

Picture perfect: Send us a picture of your team's favorite moment from the ANIMAL ALLIESSM season – meeting, competing or getting ready to come to *FIRST*® Championship! We'll use the photos in a special slideshow at the event.

- File format: JPG file, high resolution picture (preferably at least 2 MB in size)
- Send to: Dan Maggio dmaggio@firstinspires.org
- Deadline: Monday, April 10, 5 p.m. ET.

Please label your photo with your Team Name as follow:

St. Louis teams: STL- TeamName.jpg (For example, STL-Cat Squad.jpg)

Please see the reminders below – they are still important!

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Reminders:

 Consent and Release Forms – Due April 3rd - Action REQUIRED Please email your team's signed Consent and Release forms - English version can be found <u>here</u> and Spanish version <u>here</u> to <u>fllwf@firstinspires.org</u> no later than April 3rd, for all outside United States and Canadian teams and for any team member or coach from the United States or Canada that does not have an electronic version on file with *FIRST*.

- Traveling Abroad? Action May Be Required Teams traveling from outside of the United States and who need assistance to secure visas should contact us as soon as possible. Email <u>fllwf@firstinspires.org</u> to get individualized official letters if needed to help speed the visa process along.
- World Festival Welcome and Travel Information Reference Email #1 located here: <u>https://www.firstchampionship.org/sites/default/files/first-lego-league/20170223-</u> wfst-email1-welcome-travelb.pdf
- Competition Information Reference Email #2 located here: <u>https://www.firstchampionship.org/sites/default/files/first-lego-league/20170301-wfst-email2-world-festival-competition-information.pdf</u>
- Judging Information Reference Email #3 located here: <u>https://www.firstchampionship.org/sites/default/files/first-lego-league/20170309-wfst-louis-email3-judging.pdf</u>
- Robot Game Information Reference Email #4 located here: <u>https://www.firstchampionship.org/sites/default/files/first-lego-league/20170322-</u> <u>wfstlouis-email4.pdf</u>

With High 5's and Admiration, WF Team Support