



Team Selection Policy

Application Process

Due West Robotics will establish an application period for each program. Enough time will be allowed for teams to be assembled before FIRST team registration deadlines.

Each applicant must complete and return an application by the end of the application period. *Please note that filling out an application does not guarantee a position on a team roster.*

Due West Robotics can not honor special requests or guarantee a specific coach, team, etc., for any applicant.

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Coaches and Workshop staff will meet to review all applications and set the team rosters.

Applications of team members selected will be based on the following priorities:

- Past team involvement (Jr.FLL, FLL, FTC, TARC team)
- Past Club Involvement (Game Developer's Club, Maker Club, Aerospace Club)
- Workshop Involvement
- Location
 1. Donalds/Due West
 2. Abbeville County
 3. Outside Abbeville County
- Behavior/Maturity/Teamwork (based on past team, club, and/or workshop review)

Selected team members will be notified by mail or email.

Applicants not selected for a team will be notified by phone or email.

Team Composition and Participation Requirements

- Jr.FLL
 - Coaches - maximum of 2 (one head coach and one assistant coach)
 - Team Members - maximum of 6
 - 6-10 years old

- FLL
 - Coaches - maximum of 3 (one head coach and two assistant coaches)
 - Team Members - maximum of 10 (8 members preferred)
 - 9-14 years old
 - Past participation in an FLL workshop

- FTC
 - Coaches - maximum of 4 (one head coach and three assistant coaches)
 - Team Members - maximum of 15 (9-12 members preferred)
 - 12-18 years old
 - Past participation in FTC Training

Due West Robotics establishes maximum and preferred team sizes based on past experience. These team sizes allow for reasonable levels of participation for each team member and ensure that each member has the opportunity to receive appropriate amounts of direction from the coaches. If a unique circumstance causes a minor change to be considered, the coaches will be consulted before any change is made.

Some team levels have an overlap in ages. An applicant moving up to the next level must have participated for *at least two years* at the previous level. Coaches of both teams will make the final decision to determine whether or not an applicant is prepared to advance to the next level. Any exceptions to the two year requirement due to special circumstances will be assessed on a case by case basis by the coaches.