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Ivy Tech Northeast to host FIRST LEGO League robotics competition

Ivy Tech Community College Northeast will host the **FIRST® LEGO® League Qualifying Tournament**, a robotics competition, from **8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 23 at the Public Safety Academy: Ivy Tech South Campus** (7602 Patriot Crossing). Registration starts at 8 a.m., and closing ceremonies are at 4 p.m.

This qualifying event is one of many in locations throughout Indiana. It will feature 14 LEGO® robot teams bringing their completed robots before judges. They will compete in four areas:

1. Robot performance
2. FIRST® LEGO® League core values, which references how teams prepare for the tournament and behave as a team
3. Robot design
4. Project

Each of the four areas will have a first and second place finisher, and the top three overall teams will advance to the Indiana FIRST® LEGO® League Championship Tournament, to be held Dec. 14 at IPFW.

“Many teams have been working on their robots for a while, so this is the culmination of a lot of hard work,” says Andy Bell, chair for Pre-Engineering and Engineering Technology at Ivy Tech Northeast.

To learn more about FIRST® LEGO® League, visit www.etc.ipfw.edu/fl.

The competition was started by FIRST®, which stands for For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology. Its mission is to inspire young people to be leaders in science and technology.

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