
Welcome North Bay FRC Event Teams

We are very excited to welcome you to our North Bay Week 4 Event, Friday March 24 to Sunday March 26 at [Nipissing University's](#) beautiful [Robert Surtees Athletic Centre](#). Thank you for choosing our event!

Thank you also to Chris Minor and Paul Cook, our gracious co-chairs.

Here are a few details to assist you in planning your *FIRST* Robotics Competition experience with us.

Welcome Rookies!

Welcome Rookie FRC Team 9127, the Lioneers from Kanata!

Team Gifts

Thank you to our gracious Platinum Sponsor, [Redpath](#), for sponsoring our event. Once again, they will be providing team and individual student gifts. Each team will receive a battery and each student receives a stainless steel water bottle.

Food on campus

We will be advising re. cafeteria hours for the main Nipissing University building in our next email blast. Everyone is encouraged to bring a refillable water bottle. Nipissing has water bottle filling stations throughout the venue, and we want everyone to stay healthy and hydrated.

Help for Teams

Be sure to check out the *FIRST* Canada Hub and [resource page](#). We will also have team support volunteers should you need assistance with your robot.

Robot Carts

For those teams traveling, we have robot carts for your use. Please let me (Don McGrath) know if you need a robot cart.

Machine shop

We will have a machine shop trailer staffed with volunteers to assist teams with their machining needs.

Accommodations

Be sure to book your hotels soon. Check out [Tourism North Bay Hotels](#) for some suggestions.

Volunteers

If you have anyone joining you that would be interested in volunteering at the North Bay event, please contact our co-Volunteer Coordinators, Anthony Calicuri at anthonycalicuri@gmail.com or Nancy Dewar Stenning at ndewarstenning@gmail.com

Team Rosters

Just a reminder to complete the Team Roster on your dashboard at www.firstinspires.org *Dashboard*.

Ontario COVID-19 Protocols and Policies for Indoor In-person Events

Masks are mandatory for all attendees at any in-person indoor *FIRST* Robotics Canada. More details can be found here: [FIRST COVID-19](#)

Student Ambassadors

We are inviting a representative from each team to join our sponsors for a reception after opening ceremonies on Saturday. Kathy Wilcox will be checking in with each team to see if you have a student ambassador.

Viewing Party Guide

On behalf of the University of Ottawa *FIRST* Alumni Group and the North Bay Robotics Steering Committee, we would like to invite you to join us in a new way to involve your team and your fans. Not everyone can make the trip to North Bay and as such, we would like you to help us plan viewing parties across the province. Teams can plan a viewing party and invite sponsors, friends, families, and other local teams to join us virtually in celebrating *FIRST* Recharge! The viewing parties will have the chance to be featured at special moments on the big screen at Nipissing University during the competition.

If this interests any of you, please send an email to uofirstalumni@gmail.com.

How to plan your viewing party:

- Find a location that can host your estimated attendance.
- Arrange for a computer with a decent camera (external or built-in) (microphone is not needed)
- Communicate with uO *FIRST* to indicate your interest and for us to assist you.
- Invite your guests (sponsors, friends, families, team members, other local teams)
- Should you wish to have food (optional), find a sponsor/provider, and arrange for the food (Note: uO *FIRST* and NBR will not be able to sponsor or arrange for any food).
- uO *FIRST* will share a Zoom meeting link closer to the competition.
- All you have to do is join the call and point your camera towards the viewers. Our AV team will take care of the rest.
- Finally, enjoy the competition and cheer on your favourite team(s).

Websites and Social Media

[FIRST Canada Event Agenda North Bay](#)

[North Bay First Robotics](#)

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[NBR Twitter](#)

