



The 2004 Indiana Robotics Invitational Information Document

“Supplement 1”

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I. Introduction

This supplement is written to provide additional details for the 2004 Indiana Robotics Invitational, otherwise known as the “IRI”.

This information will also be incorporated into the master document as Revision 1.

This update includes:

Hotel Information

Summary of Important IRI dates

IRI Chairman’s Competition Information

IRI Website Design Competition Information

IRI Scholarship Essay and Recommendation Form

XVII. Hotels

- A. Many hotels are located in the I-69, 82nd Street, 96th Street area.
Be sure you are on the North-East Side of Indianapolis
- B. The following hotels have expressed an interest in special rates available for the IRI. More details will be provided.

OMNI

8181 North Shadeland Ave

Indianapolis, IN 46250

317-849-6668

\$89. Ask for the IRI / FIRST rate.

Candlewood Suites

8111 Bash Street

Indianapolis, IN 46250

317-595-9292

\$99 for a suite. Ask for Perry Meridian High School rate.

Super 8 Indianapolis NE Castleton

7202 E. 82nd Street

Indianapolis, IN 46256

317-841-8585

\$60 for 2 double beds, \$69 for 2 room suite (2 beds + pullout).

This rate includes continental breakfast. Ask for Robotics Tournament rate.

All of these hotels are very close to Lawrence North and are excited to be a part of the IRI.

Important Dates

May 1	Release Information Package (IndianaFIRST and Chief Delphi)
May 14	Team Registration Begins Volunteer Registration Begins Links and Email Addresses Active Registration for IRI Chairman's, Website Design, Animation
May 30	Registration Ends
June 1	Registration For IRI Chairman's Ends Information for IRI Chairman's Released Website Design Details Released
June 15	Payment Due Information for Senior Recognition Due
June 30	President's Award Package Due Mentor of the Year Entries Due IRI Scholarship Entries Due
July 1	Website Entry Due
July 9	IRI Begins T-Shirts for IRI Quilt Due Backpacks for 2 nd Graders Due Animation Competition Begins Talent Show Entry Closes

2003 IRI Chairman's Award Competition

Teams participating in the 2004 IRI Chairman's Award Competition must bring their own competition supplies, which include:

- 1 digital camera
- 1 laptop computer loaded with Microsoft Office PowerPoint software
- Music to use in a PowerPoint presentation (must be CLEAN music!)

BRING THESE ITEMS TO THE IRI

PRIOR TO THE IRI:

Participating teams need to already have prepared a PowerPoint presentation that includes:

- A title slide that includes your team nickname, team number, and team logo
- A slide with a picture and name of your school/schools that make up your team
- A description, done in any manner, of how your team is involved in your community
- A description, done in any manner, of how your team is connected with your sponsors
- A description, done in any manner, of how you build teamwork among the members of your team
- A description, done in any manner, of how your team fundraises
- An acronym, that YOU MAKE UP, using the letters FIRST (try to think of what FIRST means to your team and use these letters to design your own acronym)

You will add to this presentation when you arrive at the IRI. However, we wanted you to have an opportunity to add a personal touch to the presentation you will take away from the IRI that you can possibly use as a tool for recruitment, fundraising, or awareness.

- You are limited to a 3.5 minute PowerPoint presentation, overall. (Remember, you will add to the portion you do ahead of time using information you will be given on-site!)
- Number of slides on the presentation is unlimited, but cannot exceed the time limit of 3.5 minutes

Judging will be based on the following criteria:

- Creativity
- Including all criteria listed above in the presentation
- Number of different teams shown in the presentation
- Quality of photos
- Visual appearance (text is large enough to see from afar, colors are easy to see, good use of backgrounds, etc.)
- Judging will be based on a point system. The team with the most number of points will win this competition. The winner will be announced at the closing ceremony.
- Each participating team will present their presentations to the panel of judges in the order given by IRI judges. This will take place on Saturday, July 10, 2004. All submissions will be turned in at a set time to ensure no one has more time to work on their entry than others. We will have a memory key drive for you to save to.
- The winning submission will be shown, in full, at the awards ceremony.

2004 IRI Website Competition

Website Content:

1. **Digital Quilt** - This year, host teams of the IRI will be creating an IRI quilt consisting of team shirts from each participating team. The website competition also requires an IRI team quilt consisting of a logo from each 2004 IRI participant. Teams will be responsible for obtaining a logo from each team and creating a digital quilt using only the team logos. If a team has a logo on their web site, it can not be altered. If a team does not have a web site, you must find a creative way to incorporate that particular team into the quilt. There also must be a **link** to each teams' website that is represented on the digital quilt.
2. **Digital Quilt Description** – In one to two paragraphs, describe how the digital quilt represents the true meaning of FIRST.
3. **FIRST Acronym** – Your website submission must include the acronym FIRST. However you are not to use “For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology.” You must create your own acronym of what FIRST means to you. You can only use the letters F-I-R-S-T.
4. **IRI Logo** – The IRI logo must be displayed somewhere on the web page.
5. **IRI Link** – The web page must contain a prominent link to the IndianaFIRST website, www.IndianaFIRST.org. (website is one word, no space)
6. **Team Photo** – A 2004 team photo must be included on the site.

Scoring Criteria:

The following criteria will be used to judge the 2004 IRI Website Competition:

1. **Content (25)**
 - a. Does the website include the areas of website content listed above?
 - b. Does the website adequately represent FIRST and IRI ideals?
2. **Structure and Navigation (25 points)**
 - a. Is the site well organized?
 - b. Is the site easy to navigate through?
 - c. Is important information easily accessible?
 - d. Is there a predominant link to the Indiana FIRST website?
 - e. Are links available to required sites? (2004 IRI participating teams)
3. **Visual Design (25 points)**
 - a. Does the website communicate a visual experience reflective of the 2004 IRI?
 - b. Does the site use color and iconography in a consistent and appealing way?

In order to submit your website for the 2004 IRI competition, there must be a visible link from the team's home page to the team's IRI website competition page. Teams must inform the IRI judges that their team is participating in the website competition. E-mail your team's website address to website@indianafirst.org. The entry deadline is July 2, 2004 at 6:00 p.m.



IRI Scholarship Information & Application

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Criteria:

1. Applicants must be a recently graduated high school senior (2004).
2. Applicants must be from an Indiana high school OR must be attending post-graduate education (college, university, etc.) in Indiana during the fall of 2004.
3. Applicants need to write a one-page essay, describing their FIRST experience. This paper needs to be emailed to IRIScholar@indianafirst.org by June 30th. Describe your experiences, skills, and/or stories about FIRST and its influence on you. The essays should not be over 500 words in length.
4. Applicants must also get two FIRST mentors to fill out the following recommendation form on pages 2 and 3. These mentors need to send their recommendations to IRIScholar@indianafirst.org by July 2nd.
5. The applicant must be on a FIRST team who is attending the 2004 **IRI**.

These applications will be reviewed and judged by the **IRI** Organizing Committee. The **scholarship** winner will be announced during the awards ceremony.

So... graduating seniors from Indiana FIRST teams or those of you who are heading to Indiana for college... this is for you. We wanted to give a **scholarship** out to a student, but we also want this to be an Indiana-centric **scholarship**, since this is the "IRI" and all.

Good luck!

Indiana Robotics Invitational Scholarship Recommendation

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Note to applicant:

Please fill out the first four lines only and then give this sheet to an adult mentor in FIRST who will recommend you for this scholarship.

Also, the only students who are eligible for this award are **current Indiana high school students, or high school students who will be attending college in Indiana.**

Applicant:

Name: _____

Address: _____

College to attend: _____

Major course of study: _____

Authorization:

I hereby request and authorize you to disclose to the IRI Organizing Committee any and all information requested on this form.

Applicant name date

Note to recommender:

Please complete this recommendation and send it electronically to IRIScholar@indianafirst.org by July 12th. It will be shared with the IRI organizing committee. Please answer only those questions for which you can give a frank and honest opinion of the applicant. Your comments will be held in strict confidence and should not be shown to the applicant or any person outside the IRI organization committee. Please add comments. All recommendations need to be emailed to IRIScholar@indianafirst.org on or before June 30.

1. How many years and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

How would you rank the applicant in each of the following characteristics in comparison to students you have known in the same age group?

2. Leadership

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

3. Maturity

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

4. Industriousness

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

5. Reliability

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

6. Scholastic Interest

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

7. Moral Character

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

8. Good Citizenship

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

9. Cooperation / teamwork

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

10. Respect shown by peers

___ among the top 5% ___ among the top 25% ___ among the top 50% ___ in the lower 50%

Comments:

11. Do you think the applicant will succeed in the major course of study selected?

12. What are the applicant's most significant talents?

13. What are the applicant's most significant limitations, if any?

14. Additional comments:

Name of recommender

Title

FIRST Team

email address

phone #

date