

MINNEAPOLIS NORTH STAR REGIONAL SITE INFORMATION

April 2-4, 2009

Event Location

Mariucci Arena
1901 4th Street S.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55455

NOTE: The Mariucci Arena will not accept or store team robots or toolboxes.

Phone: 612-625-8365

<http://www.mnfirstregional.org/>

http://www.gophersports.com/SportSelect.dbml?&&DB_OEM_ID=8400&KEY=&SPID=3322&SPSID=39237

From the Airport Exit airport on Highway 5 westbound towards 494 and Bloomington. Merge with 494 westbound and continue to Highway 77 northbound. Follow Highway 77 northbound to Highway 62. Exit onto Highway 62 westbound towards Minneapolis. Exit onto 35W northbound towards Minneapolis. Take Exit 17C on northbound I-35W. Follow the University of Minnesota East Bank signs over the Mississippi River to the East Bank. Continue on Washington a few blocks and turn left Oak St. SE. Cross University Ave (one-way). Oak St runs into 4th St. (one –way opposite direction of University Ave). Mariucci Arena will be on your right.

From the North Take Exit 18 on southbound I-35W, the University of Minnesota East Bank exit. Follow the University of Minnesota signs, and turn left on University Ave. SE. Continue on University Ave SE to Oak Street. Turn left and Oak St. runs into 4th St. (one –way opposite direction of University Ave). Mariucci Arena will be on your right.

From the South Take Exit 17C on northbound I-35W. Follow the University of Minnesota East Bank signs over the Mississippi River to the East Bank. Continue on Washington a few blocks and turn left Oak St. SE. Cross University Ave (one-way) and Williams Arena will be on your left. Oak St runs into 4th St. (one –way opposite direction of University Ave). Mariucci Arena will be on your right.

From the West Follow 394 east bound to 94 east bound. Continue on 94 to the 35W north bound exit. Take Exit 17C on northbound I-35W. Follow the University of Minnesota East Bank signs over the Mississippi River to the East Bank. Continue on Washington a few blocks and turn left Oak St. SE. Cross University Ave (one-way) and Williams Arena will be on your left. Oak St runs into 4th St. (one –way opposite direction of University Ave). Mariucci Arena will be on your right.

From the East Take the University of Minnesota east bank exit (Huron Blvd). Follow Huron Blvd to Oak St SE. Oak St runs into 4th St. Mariucci Arena will be on your right.

For a Map

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Legend:

- Freshman Admissions Welcome Center
- Transfer & International Admissions Welcome Center
- Information centers
- Major intercampus bus stops with connections to intracampus circulators
- Meter parking
- Public parking
- Public parking (events only)
- Code blue emergency telephones

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Site Restrictions

Please read the following restrictions and adhere to them in order to promote an orderly, safe, pleasant, and exciting competition. As a group, we all should honor agreements with the venue and help promote the spirit of good partnership.

Please:

- **Do not bring food** on the site. If you bring food, do not bring it onto the property.
- **Do not use noisy devices**, such as any type of floor stompers, whistles, or air horns.
- **Do not save seats**. It is not fair to other teams or to the public guests we hope to interest as team sponsors or volunteers.
- **Do not ship robots directly to the site**. All shipments go through the Drayage Company.
- **Do not arrange for Internet access** on the site or bring free phone lines for same.
- **Do not sell any products**. This includes food, hats, shirts, or any promotional products.
- **Do not give out any free food products**, such as candy, water, soft drinks, or fruit. You may trade team pins, however.
- **Do not use helium tanks**.
- **Do not bring live bands** to play in the audience. This dilutes the presentation on the playing field and is too loud and confusing for the audience.
- **Do not play loud music in the Pit** because it interferes with important announcements. If a team receives more than a warning or two, the power to the team's Pit Station will be shut off and/or the music confiscated.
- **Do not run in the venue**.
- **Open-toed shoes are not allowed**.

FIRST Consent Form Revisions Overview

FIRST has revised the Consent and Release Form with several goals in mind: 1) simplifying the process by creating a unified form; 2) collecting participant data to make it possible to conduct more effective outreach and marketing to alumni; 3) and give *FIRST* the capacity to conduct regular follow-up studies of its participants in order to better demonstrate impact. This information is critical to *FIRST* because it will provide a roadmap for the organization, guide program implementation and management, and communicate more confidently the impact to schools, sponsors and other groups. In order for *FIRST* to quantitatively state that our programs are positively impacting participating students, corporations, schools and communities we need to collect information on the individual level. The Consent Forms are the only place where *FIRST* collects that type of information.

The goal of the *FIRST* Consent Forms is to ensure the following:

- To get consent and release of liabilities due to harm and/or injury *for FIRST* and *FIRST's* "Cooperating Entities"
- To grant *FIRST* the right to use participant's likeness during the participation in *FIRST* events
- To ensure that agents of *FIRST* and on behalf of *FIRST* can collect and analyze information for us
- To grant *FIRST* the right to contact the Parent/Guardian and participants at a later time for evaluation and/or announce other benefits like alumni outreach efforts

Because we are dealing with youth and youth information, *FIRST* must be in compliance with the US Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (under the age 13) and the Canadian Online Protection Act

The following form is the only acceptable *FIRST* form for the 2009 FRC events. Remember to bring your competed forms to your initial competition event - for all the persons on your team. Make sure each person under 18 has a legal parent/guardian sign it also.

2008-09 CONSENT, RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND AUTHORIZATION TO REPRODUCE PHYSICAL LIKENESS

Program: FRC _____ FTC _____ FLL _____ JFL _____ Kickoff _____ Event(s): _____ Team# _____
Role: Mentor Team Leader Student Participant Volunteer Supporters

This is a Consent and Release of Rights in favor of the United States Foundation For the Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology, and its officers, directors, employees, successors and assigns ("FIRST"), as well as entities designated and approved to assist FIRST in managing, contracting, sponsoring, hosting, conducting, evaluating or publicizing (including individuals and entities working with FIRST in print, publication, television, broadcast or video media) FIRST's programs ("FIRST's Cooperating Entities") including any and all FIRST Place, the FIRST LEGO® League ("FLL"), Junior FIRST LEGO League ("JFL") FIRST Tech Challenge ("FTC"), and FIRST Robotics Competition ("FRC") Events (the "FIRST Events"). As used below, "Participant" means any individual, student, mentor, teacher, or volunteer involved in a FIRST event. (Mascots, cheerleaders, and band squads ("Supporters") not only attending but participating in a FIRST Event should also sign this Consent Form.) In consideration of accepting my participation in one or more FIRST Events, I agree to the following:

I hereby grant to FIRST, to FIRST's Cooperating Entities, and to the press and media admitted into FIRST Events the right to photograph, videotape, or otherwise digitally collect my likeness, voice and sounds (as "Works") during my participation at the FIRST Event(s). I acknowledge the Works to be works made for hire, and otherwise irrevocably assign and grant to FIRST and to FIRST's Cooperating Entities all rights in these Works and the right to use or sublicense these Works and my name, likeness and biography, in FIRST's discretion, in all media and in all forms and for all purposes, including without limitation, advertising and other promotions for FIRST or the FIRST's Cooperating Entities, without any further consideration to me or any limitation whatsoever. It is a FIRST policy not to print a minor's name with his/her picture without specific permission from his/her parent or guardian.

There are risks inherent in participating in FIRST Events, including the risks inherent in the construction of robots and LEGO structures, as well as in working with electrical connections, traveling to and from events, and participating in public competitions. These risks include the risk of bodily harm (including without limitation, death) and property damage. Being fully cognizant of the risks in participating in an Event, I hereby assume those risks. Except to the extent due to the gross negligence or willful misconduct of FIRST or FIRST's Cooperating Entities, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, I HEREBY WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION which I may now or hereafter have against FIRST and FIRST's Cooperating Entities arising in connection with my participation in any FIRST Event, and I will indemnify and hold harmless FIRST and FIRST's Cooperating Entities against any and all claims resulting from such participation, including, without limitation, claims for compensation, defamation, or invasion of privacy, or other infringements or violations of personal or property rights of any sort whatsoever.

In the event I should sustain injuries or illness while involved in an FIRST Event, I hereby authorize FIRST and FIRST's Cooperating Entities to administer, or cause to be administered, such first aid or other treatment and medications I may bring as may be necessary under the circumstances, to include treatment by a physician or hospital of FIRST's or FIRST's Cooperating Entities' choice.

This Release shall be binding upon my heirs, my personal representatives and assigns, and me and shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, which shall be the venue for any legal action. This Release constitutes the entire agreement among the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter of this Release and supersedes any and all such previous agreements among the parties, whether written or oral.

FIRST strongly believes in confidentiality of all contact information. FIRST promises that it will not rent, sell or distribute this contact information to any organization other than those directly involved in the operation and support of FIRST programs. FIRST will be using the personal contact information provided here as part of its participant database and to contact the FIRST participant and/or the participant's guardian as part of its research, program evaluation, or alumni outreach efforts, or other related outreach activities as they may occur.

Unless I check this box to remove my consent, I hereby grant to FIRST the right to use the personal contact information provided here for FIRST's research, program evaluation, alumni efforts and/or other outreach activities.

I understand that this form involves a release of legal rights.

Participant Name [Print Clearly] _____ Participant Signature _____ Date _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: Home () _____ Email address: _____ Gender: _____(M) _____
(F)
Date of Birth: Month: ___ Date: ___ Year: ___ Ethnicity (optional): Hispanic Non-Hispanic
Race: (optional) African-American Asian/Pacific Islander Native American/Alaskan White Multiple races

For Participants under the age of eighteen (18) years listed above: I hereby consent and agree to the above on Page 1 (one) as the Parent/Legal Guardian of _____ (minor's name), in which case "I", "me" and "my" as used herein shall refer to said minor.

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature _____
Print Parent or Guardian Name