

# Opportunities for ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS in ROBOTICS in New Mexico\*

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Event	Details	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
<b>F.I.R.S.T.</b> Contact: 800-871-8326 <a href="http://www.usfirst.org">www.usfirst.org</a> Regional director: Roseann Stevens, <a href="mailto:rstevens@usfirst.org">rstevens@usfirst.org</a> Location: Regional (Deming & Las Cruces; Finals: St. Louis)	Registration Cost: \$6.5K, Robot Cost: \$3.5K Age: High School Teams: avg. 25-30 students Robotic Skill: 90% RC, 10% Autonomous Robotic Platform: kit provided by <i>FIRST</i>						Prep	Prep	Event	Event		
<b>F.I.R.S.T. Lego League</b> Contact: 800-871-8326 <a href="http://www.usfirst.org">www.usfirst.org</a> Regional contact: Sandy Trissell, Chris Morgan, <a href="mailto:chair@nmfll.org">chair@nmfll.org</a> Location: Regional (ABQ)	Registration Cost: \$225 Robot Cost: \$420-\$1,000 Age: 9 - 14 Teams: Up to 10 Robotic Skill: Autonomous Robot Platform: Lego Mindstorms	Prep	Prep	Event	Event					Global Event By Invite ONLY		
<b>Botball</b> Contact: 405-579-4609 or Marci Corey, <a href="mailto:mcorey@kipr.org">mcorey@kipr.org</a> <a href="http://www.botball.org/answers">www.botball.org/answers</a> Steve Goodgame KISS Institute for Practical Robotics, Norman OK. V: (405) 579-4609 Comp. Location: Las Cruces Workshop: Feb 12-13 Event: April 2 <a href="http://www.botball.org">www.botball.org</a>	Registration Cost: \$2,500 Robot Cost: \$0 Age: Mid-High School Teams: 10-15 students Robotic Skill: Autonomous Robot Platform: Lego Technic							Prep		Event		
<b>B.E.S.T.</b> Contact: Patricia Sullivan <a href="mailto:nmbest@nmsu.edu">nmbest@nmsu.edu</a> College of Engineering, NMSU, Las Cruces 575-646-2913 <a href="http://www.ece.nmsu.edu/nm_best/">www.ece.nmsu.edu/nm_best/</a>	Registration Cost: Free Robot Cost: Free Age: Mid-High School Robotic Skill: Remote Control Robotic Platform: VEXnet Teams: 2 to 5 Winners advance to TX Regional		Prep	Event								

<b>SIATech VEX</b> Contact: Pearl Mathieu Office: 760-631-3414 Cell: 760-212-2344 Mathieu@siatech.org Location: Albuquerque (Jobs Corps Center)	Registration Cost: \$50 Robot Cost: \$50 Age: High School Robotic Skill: 15% autonomous; 85% r.c. Robotic Platform: VEX Teams: 2 to 4	On-going competitions August - March							Register	Finals		
<b>Air Force Research Lab Starbase La Luz Academy</b> Contact: Ronda Cole, Director 505-846-8042 ronda.cole.ctr@kirtland.af.mil <a href="mailto:afirlaluzacademy@kirtland.af.mil">afirlaluzacademy@kirtland.af.mil</a> vs.af.mil/laluz/Intro2SE.asp Location: Kirtland AFB, La Luz Academy, ABQ NOT A FORMAL COMPETITION	Registration Cost: FREE Robot Cost: \$150 Age: 8 <sup>th</sup> grade students Teams: 3-4 Robotic Skill: Autonomous Robotic Platform: Parallax Boe-Bot Kit	Teacher Training August	Teacher & students work together				Demo					
<b>RoboRAVE International</b> Contact: <a href="mailto:russ@gotoif.org">russ@gotoif.org</a> Coaches Only Workshops: Sept. & January Location: Albuquerque	Registration Cost: \$25 Age: 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade-12; university challenge proposed Teams: 2 to 4 Robotic Skill: autonomous Robotic Platform: Open	Prep	Coaches Kick Off	Prep			Coaches Kick Off	Prep	Event			
<b>VEX</b> Contact: Pearl Mathieu Office: 760-631-3414 Cell: 760-212-2344 Mathieu@siatech.org Location: unscheduled	Registration Cost: \$75; \$25 multiple teams Robot Cost: \$420+ Age: Mid-High School Teams: 2 to 4 Robotic Skill: autonomous & r.c. or r.c. only Robotic Platform: VEX	Info Not Released Yet										
<b>Jr. F.I.R.S.T. Lego League</b> Contact: 800-871-8326 www.usfirst.org Location: Regional ( <i>no NM competitions</i> )	Registration Cost: \$25 Robot Cost: \$150-\$170 Age: 6-9 Teams: 2-6 students Robotic Skill: Motorized car Robotic Platform: LEGO	Prep August - October			Competition Season November through May							

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