# DISCOVERY ACADEMY OF SCIENCE



### EXPLORE

Previously Jr. FLL – Junior First Lego League

### FLL Explore Presentation

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### 1-What is FLL Explore

- FLL Explore is the middle member of the FIRST family of robotics programs
- Each year in August, FIRST LEGO League Explore releases a new Challenge for teams that focuses on a scientific topic. Teams are sent on a journey of discovery to learn all they can about the topic, then present their findings in the form of a team poster and a LEGO model that moves.



### 1-What is FLL Explore

- FLL Explore is the middle member of the FIRST family of robotics programs
- FLL Explore introduces students in a playful yet innovative way to engineering, problem solving, robotics, computer programming, research and science
- FLL Explore is an EXPO not a competition utilizing nothing but LEGOS
- https://www.firstinspires.org/



### 1-What is FLL Explore





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#### 2 - Core Values

- We are a team.
- We do the work. Our coaches and mentors help us learn, but we find the answers ourselves.
- We share our experiences and discoveries with others.
- We are helpful, kind, and show respect when we work, play, and share. We call this Gracious Professionalism®.

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- We are all winners.
- We have fun.



### 2021 FLL Explore Challenge

- Research the annual topic
- Review challenge
- Create a LEGO model using one or more simple machine
- Create a "Show-Me" poster
- Display project at EXPO





#### 3-Team Structure

- For students ages 6 10 years of age (2nd 5th grade).
- 4 to 6 students and 2 coaches per team.
- Each team must have at least
  2 adult coaches.
- We have kits for up to 4 teams.



#### 3-Team Structure

- Teams are coached by 2 Adult Volunteers
- At least one parent must pass level 2 screening on each team. The other can be level 1 but the level 2 coach must be at all meetings.
- Coaches encourage the students to do the work!
- All work is <u>student work!</u>





### 4-Weekly Meetings

- Time commitment:
  - Practice once a week for 1.5 to 2 hours.
  - Practice for about 4 to 8 weeks.
- Teams form based on students and coach availability.
- Teams meet afterschool or weekends.





#### 5-Local Events

- Weekly meetings
- Participate in events in nearby cities
- Celebrate their invention and research
- Receive certificates of achievement
- Goal... Science is fun!





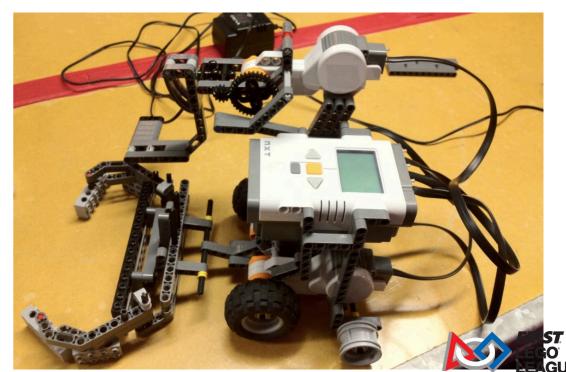
### 6-What is FLL Challenge

- Unlike FLL Explore, FLL Challenge is a competition
- Teams are made of Middle School students
- Teams select which local competition to attend to qualify regional
- Teams need to receive qualification to compete in regional and advanced level competitions
- Interested students should be creative, detail oriented and dedicated team player.

### 6-What is FLL Challenge



 Each task brings certain points, team with the most points in shortest time wins the match and matches other winning teams in tournament • Students use their prebuilt robot to complete as many tasks as they have on FLL table in 2 minutes against other team



### 7 - Questions

#### Questions?

Reach out to holly.baker@daspvo.org





## 8 – Sign UP

To request a spot on one of our teams fill out the form at:

#### https://cutt.ly/FLLChallenge

- Please fill out the form by October 27th.
- Filling out this form does not guarantee a team placement for each student.
- We will only fill as many teams as we have coaches for (max of 4 teams). We need 2 coaches per team so please consider signing up to coach.
- If a student's availability matches with a coach, then the student will be placed on a team and parent will be informed to pay signup fee, usually \$30-\$40 based on number of participants.