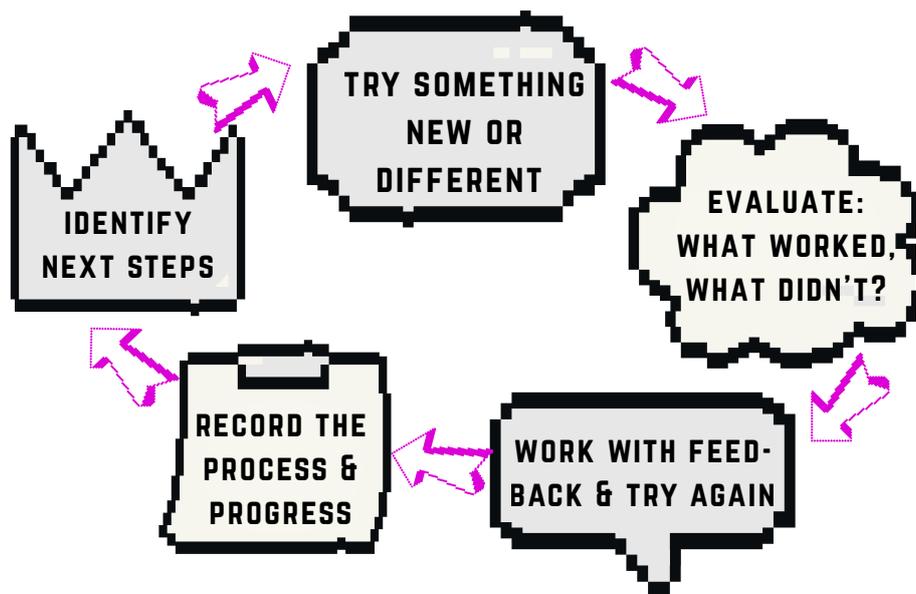


Performing as a FIRST® LEGO® League team



During sessions teams should be practicing the FIRST® LEGO® League Core Values of innovation, teamwork, discovery, fun, impact and inclusion. Each session is also an opportunity to build confidence. Be prepared to learn alongside your team, start slowly and keep it simple.

As sessions progress, students will start to lead the activity. Encouraging free building, creative design, problem solving and, most importantly, collaborative decision-making will help to strengthen your team. As their team coach you can help confident students to use their confidence to raise others up. Short feedback loops can help to build skills and confidence:



TOP TIP: Document project development and all changes to both the code and the robot design. Take photos of every model made along the way, you might want to reference it later.

TOP TIP: Read through the Tips & Tricks document by Clive Seager - 2022's "Best LEGO Coach In The World!" - and envision your team as the next Combat Wombats!

TOP TIP: Your team does not need to come up with a solution for every mission. Start small, focus on a couple of missions and build your strategy from there.

Getting to a FIRST[®] LEGO[®] League Tournament



Fundraising

Participation in *FIRST*[®] LEGO[®] League costs money, but fundraising is an activity the whole team can get involved with:

-  Encourage your team to work together to raise funds through activities such as bake sales, quiz nights or sponsored activities.
-  Engage with the school community and share your journey via the school's existing communication channels.
-  Write to local businesses to ask for sponsorship. In return, offer them the chance to come and see the robot in action, watch the presentations and provide professional feedback.

Going to a Regional Tournament

Attending a regional tournament is an amazing opportunity and could even lead to the chance to attend Nationals – trust us, it is worth the effort!

-  Organise this in the same way as you would organise any other school trip, following your own school's procedure.
-  Your tournament host will give you all the information you need, make sure you read and respond to their communications in a timely manner and seek clarification if needed.
-  Tournaments can be crowded, fast-paced, noisy environments. Make your tournament host aware if any of your team members have access requirements or could find this kind of environment challenging.
-  When on site, especially in an industrial workplace setting, it is a matter of health, safety and security to ensure all instructions are heard and followed by everyone. It is the responsibility of the adults attending with the teams to ensure high standards of behaviour are maintained.
-  Make sure everyone has fun – we will help with that!