

2015-2016 Award Descriptions



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The winner of the Inspire Award at each tournament level has received an automatic invitation to the next tournament level. Once a team has won an Inspire Award at a Championship, they are no longer eligible to win the Inspire Award at additional championship tournaments they may attend. Similarly, once a team wins an Inspire Award at a Qualifying tournament or League Championship, they are no longer eligible to win the Inspire Award at subsequent Qualification tournaments or League Championships within the same region.

- Team must demonstrate respect and Gracious Professionalism toward everyone they encounter at an FTC event.
- Team is a strong contender for several other Judged awards. The Inspire Award celebrates the strongest qualities of all the Judged Awards.
- The Team is an ambassador for FIRST programs and demonstrates and documents their work in their community.
- Team dynamic is positive and inclusive, and each team member contributes to the success of the team.
- Engineering Notebook must be submitted, and must include an Engineering Section, a Team Section and a Business or Strategic Plan. The entire Engineering Notebook must be high quality, thoughtful, thorough, detailed and well organized.
- Robot design is creative and innovative, and the robot performs reliably on the field. Team communicates clearly about their robot design and strategy to the judges.
- Team presentation is professional and engaging.