FTCA wards

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Control A ward (Programming)

- Definition: mastering robot intelligence
- To win this award, a separate submission is required
- Judges look at the team's engineering notebook for documentation of the implementation of software, sensors, and mechanical control
- Judges look for a team that utilizes software and sensors to increase the robot's functionality on the field
- There are judges at competition looking at your field performance

Motivate Award (Outreach)

- Definition: sparking others to embrace the culture of FIRST
- Examples:
 - Community Outreach
 - FLL Mentoring
 - Showcasing robot to public

Connect A ward (Outreach)

- Definition: connecting the dots between community,
 FIRST, and the diversity of the engineering world
- Connecting with professionals
- Working with companies to fabricate parts for your robot
 - touring companies
 - learning from professionals about SCRUM or common idea or materials
- Connecting with the community
- any public in community event
- Connecting with FIRST
- Volunteering at FLL competitions
- Hosting Scrimmages

Design Award (Robot)

- Definition: industrial design at its best
- Judges look for design and aesthetic of robot
- Not just practical function
- Design section of engineering robot is considered
- How well thought out is your design?
- What industrial features and concepts do you incorporate in your design?

Rockwell Collins Innovate (Robot)

- Definition: bringing great ideas from concept to reality
- Judges look for innovative features on a team's robot that show creative ways of solving game challenges
- Can address one part or the whole design
- What are you most proud of on your robot?

Think A ward (All)

- Definition: removing engineering obstacles through creative thinking
- Engineering Notebook award
- Judges the journey of the team and growth
- Judges look at design and build sections for progress
- Documentation is pivotal

Inspire Award (All)

- Overarching award
- Embodies all aspects of FIRST
- Team who displays all of the award criteria
- Team ranks high in all judged award categories

Judges A ward

- A team that does not fit into any of the award criteria but the judges feel should be recognized
- Often given to rookie teams
- Does not advance teams

Promote A ward (optional video)

- Each year, FIRST gives teams a question or concept regarding FIRST to answer
- Video submission
- Does not advance teams in competitions
- Example prompt: If every student participated in FIRST, the world would be...

Compass A ward (optional video)

- Video submission by teams describing why their mentor deserves to be recognized by FIRST
- Not a judged award for competition (cannot advance teams)
- A good way to thank mentors

Advancement Order for Awards

- Inspire Award
- 2. Think Award
- Connect Award
- 4. Rockwell Collins Innovate Award
- 5. Design Award
- 6. Motivate Award
- 7. Control Award

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