

Itinerary

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April 20, 2016 to April 24, 2016



THE BEST OF THE BEST

You've made it. For more than half a year, you've prototyped designs, built robots, played hundreds of matches, and proved to all of California that you are part of one of the best teams out there. Now it's time to prove that to the whole world. In less than a month, you'll be competing against over 450 teams from around the globe. Only three teams will rise to the top. Will you be one of them?

Timeline

All times are listed in the city's local time zone, are approximations, and are subject to change. Louisville (EDT) is three hours ahead of San Ramon (PDT).

All boarding times listed are 30 minutes prior to the plane's departure time.

Wednesday, April 20 (Day 1 of Worlds)

3:00AM	Meet at DVHS. Load vehicles.
3:15	Depart DVHS for SFO.
4:30	Arrive at SFO. Check in and proceed through security.
5:30	Board Plane to Houston (Group 1).
5:30	Board Plane to Chicago (Groups 2, 4).
6:45	Board Plane to Phoenix (Group 3).
9:10	Arrive at Phoenix (Group 3).
9:40	Board Plane to Louisville (Group 3).
11:52 (9:52AM PDT)	Arrive at Houston (Group 1).
12:21PM (10:21AM PDT)	Arrive at Chicago (Groups 2, 4).
12:35 (10:35AM PDT)	Board Plane to Louisville (Group 1).
2:41 (12:41PM PDT)	Board Plane to Louisville (Groups 2, 4).
4:22 (1:22 PM PDT)	Arrive at Louisville (Group 1). Wait for group 3.
4:30	Arrive at Louisville (Group 3). Obtain baggage. Depart for hotel via Marriott shuttles (Have an adult or Andrew call for shuttle).
5:00	Check in to SpringHill Suites Marriott.
5:30	Depart hotel for KEC. Check in, set up pits, complete inspection.

5:32	Arrive at Louisville (Groups 2, 4). Obtain baggage. Depart for hotel via Marriott shuttles (Have an adult or Andrew call for shuttle).
7:00	Depart KEC for hotel. Eat dinner.

Thursday, April 21 (Day 2 of Worlds)

7:00 ^{AM}	Wake up. Get ready. Eat breakfast in hotel.
7:45	Depart hotel for KEC.
8:00	Arrive at KEC. Finish check in and inspection (if necessary), practice, do skills.
10:00 – 11:00	Team/Driver Meeting in Broadbent Arena.
11:00 – 12:30 ^{PM}	Practice Matches.
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch.
1:30 – 2:30	Opening Ceremony and Parade of Nations in Freedom Hall.
2:45 – 6:30	Qualifying Matches and Skills Challenge.
7:00	Depart KEC for hotel. Eat dinner.

Friday, April 22 (Day 3 of Worlds)

7:00 ^{AM}	Wake up. Get ready. Eat breakfast in hotel.
7:45	Depart hotel for KEC.
8:30 – 9:15	Opening Ceremony and Awards in Freedom Hall.
9:30 – 12:00 ^{PM}	Qualifying Matches and Skills Challenge.
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch.
1:00 – 5:00	Qualifying Matches and Skills Challenge.
5:30 – 6:30	VRC New Game Unveiling Ceremony in Freedom Hall.

7:00

Depart KEC for hotel. Eat dinner.

Saturday, April 23 (Day 4 of Worlds)

7:00_{AM}

Wake up. Get ready. Eat breakfast in hotel.

7:45

Depart hotel for KEC.

9:00 – 11:00

Qualifying Rounds and Skills Challenge.

11:15

Alliance Selection.

11:30 – 12:30_{PM}

Lunch.

12:30 – 2:30

Division Playoffs and Awards.

3:00 – 4:00

Division Champions Round Robin in Freedom Hall.

4:00 – 6:00

Finals, Awards and Closing Ceremony in Freedom Hall.

6:00 – 12:00_{AM}

Team Party at Kentucky Kingdom.

The pits will close at 6:00. You will have to bring the robot back before going to Kentucky Kingdom.

12:00

Depart Kentucky Kingdom for hotel.

Sunday, April 24 (Day after Worlds)

3:30_{AM}

Wake up. Get ready. Pack belongings (Groups 1, 4).

4:15

Depart hotel for SDF (Groups 1, 4).

4:45

Arrive at SDF. Check in and proceed through security (Groups 1, 4).

5:30

Wake Up. Get ready. Pack belongings (Group 2).

5:45

Board plane to Chicago (Groups 1, 4).

6:15

Depart hotel for SDF (Group 2).

6:45

Arrive at SDF. Check in and proceed through security (Group 2).

6:46 (7:46 AM EDT)	Arrive at Chicago (Groups 1, 4).
7:30	Wake up. Get ready. Pack belongings (Group 3).
7:35	Board plane to Houston (Group 2).
8:00	Check out of SpringHill Suites Marriott.
8:15	Depart hotel for SDF (Group 3).
8:45	Arrive at SDF. Check in and proceed through security (Group 3).
9:55	Board plane to Phoenix (Group 3).
8:55 (9:55AM EDT)	Board plane to San Francisco (Groups 1, 4).
9:40 (10:40AM EDT)	Arrive at Houston (Group 2).
10:55 (12:55PM EDT)	Board plane to San Francisco (Group 2).
11:20 (2:20PM EDT)	Arrive at Phoenix (Group 3).
11:40 (2:40PM EDT)	Board plane to San Francisco (Group 3).
11:54 (2:54PM EDT)	Arrive at San Francisco (Groups 1, 4). Obtain baggage. Depart for DVHS.
1:45 PM (4:45PM EDT)	Arrive at San Francisco (Group 3). Obtain baggage. Depart for DVHS.
1:48	Arrive at San Francisco (Group 2). Obtain baggage. Depart for DVHS.

The VEX Worlds Program Book contains important information about the World Championship, including shuttle information, maps of the city and venue, restaurant information, agendas, and other important info.

<http://www.roboticseducation.org/documents/2016/03/vex-worlds-2016-program-book.pdf>

All information regarding matches, teams, etc., in addition to a live stream of the tournament, can be found on the VRC High School Robot Events page.

<http://www.robotevents.com/robot-competitions/vex-robotics-competition/re-vc-16-3279.html>

Flights

This year, due to the large number of attendees, all attendees will be split into three different flights. Your groups have already been chosen, and you can find your group on the next page. Since there are no airlines that offer direct flights to Louisville, all flights will have layovers.

Departure Flight (April 20, Day 1 of Worlds)

- Group 1: The flight will be from 6:00 AM PDT to 4:22 PM EDT. There will be a layover in Houston, Texas. United Flights 1457 and 4528.
- Groups 2 and 4: The flight will be from 6:00 AM PDT to 5:32 PM EDT. There will be a layover in Chicago, Illinois. United Flights 734 and 5372.
- Group 3: The flight will be from 7:15 AM PDT to 4:30 PM EDT. There will be a layover in Phoenix, Arizona. Southwest Flights 2928 and 2726.

Return Flight (April 24, Day After Worlds)

- Groups 1 and 4: The flight will be from 6:15 AM EDT to 11:54 AM PDT. There will be a layover in Chicago, Illinois. United Flights 3633 and 769.
- Group 2: The flight will be from 8:05 AM EDT to 1:48 PM PDT. There will be a layover in Houston, Texas. United Flights 4505 and 690.
- Group 3: The flight will be from 10:25 AM EDT to 1:45 PM PDT. There will be a layover in Denver, Colorado. Southwest Flights 796 and 3101.



Lodging

Due to the massive amount of attendees this year, attendees will be dispersed among two Marriott hotels this year. The hotels are right across the street from each other and are a short walk from KEC.

Both hotels have free Wi-Fi, free breakfast and appliances in all rooms.



All students, some chaperones and the advisor will sleep in this hotel:

[SpringHill Suites Louisville Airport](#)

820 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209
(502) 361-9009

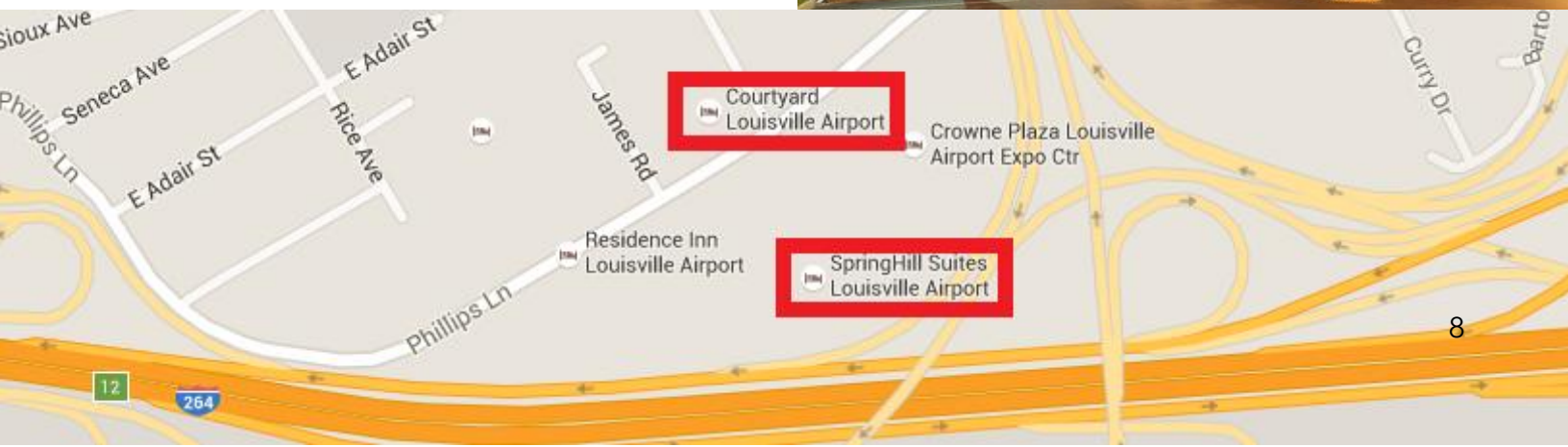
Walk to either Crowne Plaza or Courtyard to board the VEX Shuttle (Route 5).

All other chaperones will sleep in this hotel:

[Courtyard Louisville Airport](#)

819 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209
(502) 368-5678

Walk outside to board the VEX Shuttle (Route 5).



Packing List

Each person will carry their luggage with them on the plane – it will not be checked (unless you pay \$25). Be sure your suitcase fits in the overhead bins. You can also bring a personal item that will go under your seat. All liquids must fit into a quart sized bag and must be three ounces or less. Refer to the [ISA website](#) for more information.

What to pack in your individual luggage:

- Four days of clothes (pants, sweatshirts, layers, DVHS Robotics shirt, etc.) and one outfit to sleep in
 - Please wear your DVHS Robotics shirt on travel days
- Personal toiletry items (Liquids must be less than three ounces unless checked in)
- Casual shoes
- Medications (if any) in its original packaging/container.
 - If prescribed, it MUST be checked in with Mr. Jones, along with any medical forms
- Form of identification
 - If under 18, bring your student ID Card.
 - If 18 or over, bring a form of government identification in addition to your student ID. This can be a government ID card or passport. If you don't have either of those, bring some other form of identification with your name (such as a debit/credit card or medical card) and inform your chaperone.
- Electronics (laptops, etc.) and chargers
 - Please label ALL items– we are not liable for your lost items!
- Empty Water Bottle – you will get thirsty and airport water is expensive!
- Food – make sure liquids are less than 3 ounces.
- \$50 to \$100 to cover five days of lunches, any emergency robot parts and any souvenirs that you plan on purchasing.

What to pack as a team (to check in):

- Your robot, packaged and padded.
- One suitcase filled with all your tools, parts, etc.
- All batteries – do NOT put in your carry-on luggage!
- Make sure your team's two baggages weigh less than 50 pounds and do not exceed 62 inches (length + width + height)!

Policies

Here are the policies that you will be expected to adhere to during this year's Worlds trip. Failure to follow these policies may result in removal from the club.

1. Every chaperone will be responsible for a set number of students (refer to the itinerary). The chaperone will be responsible for making sure that everyone in his or her group wakes up at the same time, leaves the hotel/KEC at the same time, and stays together (in the same venue) at all times (unless given permission to separate). Attendance may be taken to ensure students are present and on time.
 - a. Teams will have the freedom of choosing when they want to wake up, as long as their chaperone knows about it beforehand.
 - b. The only exception to this rule is Kentucky Kingdom. If you go to Kentucky Kingdom, you must go there together as a group and leave together as a group. You are, however, free to roam around the park separately or with another group, as long as your group contains two other DVHS members. People who do not go will remain in the hotel and will be supervised by chaperones.
2. Students should always stay in groups of at least three people - do NOT wander off by yourself!
3. At night, students will be allowed to go to other team mates' rooms, but they will NOT be allowed to leave the hotel for any reason (unless they have permission from their chaperone to do so).
4. Student team members may NOT leave the KEC during the day to go and get lunch from other restaurants unless a chaperone is present with them. If you would like to order food from a restaurant outside of the venue, talk to your chaperone beforehand and he/she will assist you in obtaining the food.
 - a. We are not, in any way, dictating what you can or cannot eat. We will give you the freedom to choose where to eat, if you make arrangements in advance the night before.

Policies ctd.

5. There will be a new policy for getting hotel keys this year. By default, each room will be given four keys - three for the students, one for the room's designated chaperone.
 - a. Only team captains can get extra keys.
 - b. The people sleeping in that room must be of the same gender as the person requesting the key.
 - c. People can only request keys for other student rooms. They cannot request keys for any chaperone rooms (unless parent approval is given).
 - d. Team captains can only get keys for other teams' rooms if they have permission from that team's team captain to do so.
6. Every team is responsible for providing their own chaperones to transport students to and from the airport and DVHS, just like any other tournament. Parents may choose to do long-term parking, but they will not be reimbursed by the club if they choose that option. For the return flight, if a student prefers to be picked up at the airport, the parent must sign off to show that they have picked up their child and will assume all liability from that point on.

If you have any questions regarding these policies, please contact either your chaperone, Mr. Jones, or Andrew.

Emergency Contacts

If any problem arises, please notify one of these people immediately. Please print this page and take it with you to Worlds.

Call your designated chaperone first. If he or she does not respond, call the people on the top first, then go to the next person if no one responds.

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If you have any questions regarding the trip, please email them to andrewlu@dvhsrobotics.com.

Finally, please remember that you are representing Dougherty Valley High School Robotics and we want to make a positive name for ourselves! Be on time for check-ins, do NOT go anywhere by yourself, stay in groups of at least THREE people, eat well, and sleep well.

Let's make this year's Worlds trip amazing (and hopefully win)!

- DVHS Robotics