



Corporate Fact Sheet

Western Region Robotics Forum, Inc. (WRRF) was formed in 2003 as a California not-for-profit Corporation with 501(c)3 status. The goal of WRRF is to contribute in a meaningful way to the improvement of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education for K-16 students by:

- Promoting Collaborative/Competitive Project-Based Learning (CCPBL) programs such as FIRST Robotics, Botball, FIRST Lego League, and the Tech Challenge in area schools and community groups.
- Demonstrating the value of technology-focused project-based learning activities for students, teachers, mentors, and the general public, and facilitating communication between the growing numbers of area programs, helping them to share resources and ideas.
- Engaging corporate partners in sponsorship, mentorship and support of teams and groups participating in these activities; and, where appropriate, providing grants to schools and groups, allowing them to participate in these programs.
- Hosting off-season competitions and events; establishing an applied learning facility to assist teams in constructing projects; conducting educational workshops for students, teachers, and mentors; and evaluating and developing project-based technology and engineering education programs.
- Increasing the numbers of underrepresented groups, particularly women and minorities, pursuing technology and engineering education and careers.

WRRF At-a-Glance

<i>Founded</i>	2000, as an informal consortium supporting regional robotics competitions
<i>Incorporated</i>	2003, as a 501(c)3 California Not For Profit Corporation
<i>Volunteer Staff</i>	30 +
<i>Participants</i>	600 +
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