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Lake Oswego Robotics affiliated *FIRST* Tech Challenge Teams Advance to 2025 *FIRST* Championship and Premier Events

Lake Oswego Robotics is proud to host five FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) teams, namely All Hands on Tech (18127), Proxima Nova (25631), Mostly Operational (18119), Wire Fire (23260) and Beyond Tech (25952). We are proud to announce that all five of our FTC teams qualified for Oregon's FIRST Tech Challenge Championship Tournament held on March 15th and 16th. Four of our teams reached the Division finals and two competed in the Oregon championship finals; the championship tournament involved a total of 48 competing teams.

The FIRST Tech Challenge is a premier global STEM robotics program for high school and 8th grade middle school students. Each season, teams design, build, and program their robot to complete complex game challenges. Matches pair two-team alliances against each other requiring these teams to incorporate both cooperation and competition as a strategy, known as "coopertition" in these circles. This year's challenge, INTO THE DEEP, immerses teams in an underwater themed competition.

Congratulations to **Team 18127 All Hands on Tech** and **Team 25631 Proxima Nova** for advancing to the **2025 FIRST Championship** in Houston, Texas, on April 16-20th. Additionally, congratulations to **Team 18119 Mostly Operational** and **Team 25952 Beyond Tech** for earning a spot at a **FIRST Premier Event.** Lake Oswego Robotics celebrates these outstanding achievements and wishes all four teams the best of luck at these exciting events!



Team 18127 - All Hands on Tech

- 2025 FIRST Championship Qualifier
- Inspire Award 2nd Place Oregon Championship
- Finalist Alliance Partner Oregon Championship

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- 2025 FIRST Championship Qualifier
- Winning Alliance Captain Oregon Championship
- Innovate Award Oregon Championship
- Tony Zeng Dean's List Semifinalist

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Team 18119 - Mostly Operational

- 2025 FIRST Premier Event Qualifier
- Gold Division Finalist Alliance Captain Oregon Championship
- Motivate Award Oregon Championship
- Rohan Gore and Issac Cho Dean's List Semifinalists

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Team 25952 - Beyond Tech

- 2025 FIRST Premier Event Qualifier
- Gold Division Finalist Alliance Oregon Championship
- Winning Alliance Captain Spark Invitational
- Control Award Spark Invitational

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Team 23260 - Wire Fire

- Oregon Championship Qualifier
- Design Award Rose City League Tournament

Philosophy: To excel in Music, Sports, & Robotics

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Lake Oswego Robotics is incredibly proud of its robotics teams and deeply grateful to our sponsors, mentors, coaches, and the Lake Oswego School District for their support. Lake

Oswego Robotics is a non-profit, volunteer-led organization that sponsors FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) teams, summer robotics camps, and STEM-related activities in the Lake Oswego community.

We invite high school and middle school students interested in robotics, along with their families, to an **Open House** on Saturday, April 26th, at 10 a.m. in the **Robotics Room at Lake Oswego High School**. This is a great opportunity to meet our teams, explore robotics, and learn how to get involved. For more information, please visit LORobotics.org or email us at info@lorobotics.org.

To connect with a specific team, please reach out to the team mentors or coaches listed above.