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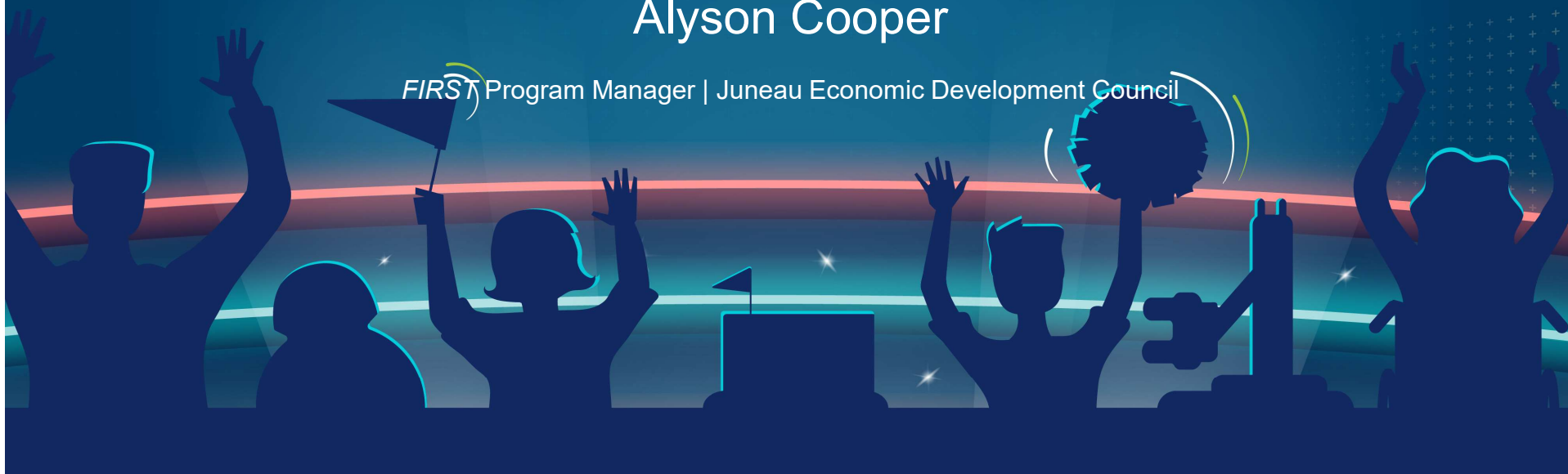
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FTC Coach Meeting

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Agenda

- Welcome/Intro- name, community, team and/or organization, new?
- Quick season overview
 - Everyone is in a different place this season; Core Values are key!
 - Resources- watch the Team Blasts
 - Guidelines for COVID Interruptions
 - Thinkspace
 - FIRST-provided training- [Team Webinars](#)
 - New resources, such as Coach's Playbook
 - FTC website
 - FIRST in Alaska website, www.jedc.org/firstinalaska
 - Slack/Facebook (FIRST in Alaska, FIRST in Alaska FTC Coaches, FTC Share and Learn)
 - Registration/Consent/Youth Protection
 - Survey
 - Tournament scheduling

Youth Protection/consent

- Revised adult consent form- check your dashboard
- Electronic consent for youth- required NOW, not end of season
- Paper only as a last resort, no scanning, no emailing. Contact Alyson.
- Very concerned about data protection
- Step by step guidance coming, but you may have gotten it from FIRST already- please go ahead and take care of it early



Survey

- 20 responses- THANK YOU! (some include multiple teams)
 - Currently 28 registered teams, 31 known participating
 - Anticipate 35-45 by end of the year (48 for Skystone)
- 7 SE, 8 Anch/MatSu, 2 Fairbanks, 2 Kenai Peninsula, 1 Cordova
- 75% school affiliated teams (some of those are homeschool programs)
- There's a lot of interest in a scrimmage
- More inexperienced teams than you might think
- Several teams mentioned funding issues



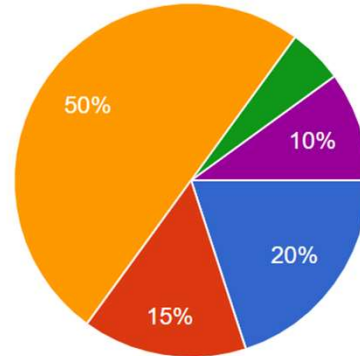
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Survey

How is your team meeting this year?

20 responses



- So far, only virtual
- Mixture of virtual and in person meetings
- Meeting in person, but with limited group size, time, or frequency
- Meeting in person without limitations so far
- Have been meeting in person but we are probably switching...



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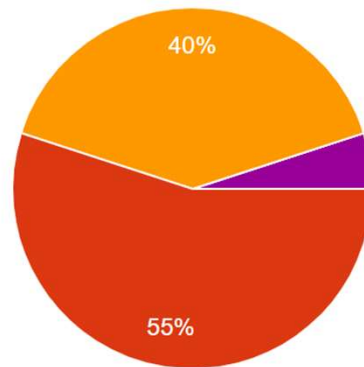


Survey

How is your team progressing in tournament preparations?



20 responses



- Making good progress. Team is mostly on pace with other years.
- Team is making progress, but it's a bit slower than usual or...
- Team is making very slow progress, but maintaining a good pace.
- Team is making very slow progress and is frustrated.
- Team is not making any progress.
- Team hasn't met yet.



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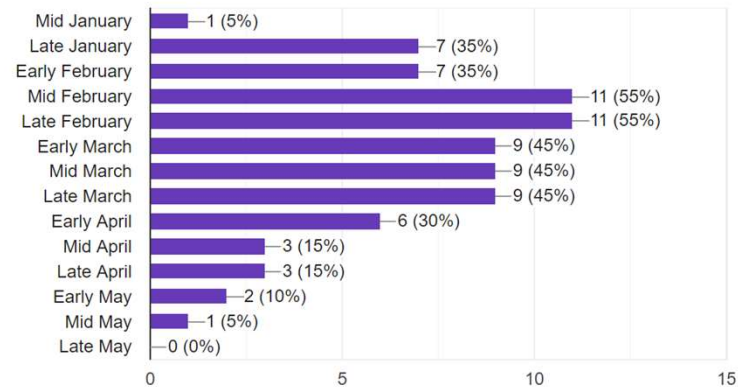


Survey

We are beginning to set dates for our FIRST Tech Challenge qualifying tournaments. If we had enough teams to run a tournament, please select up to five options that would be your preference.



20 responses





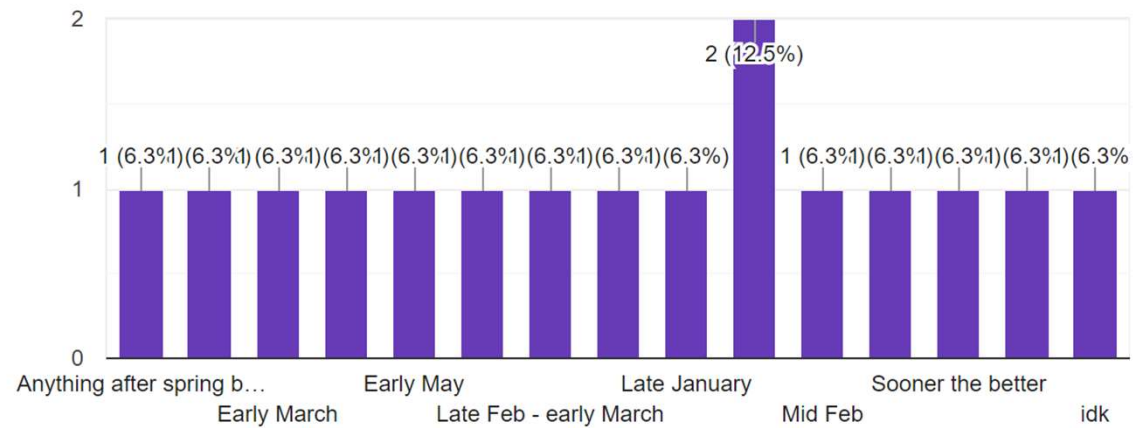
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Survey

If you chose more than one option, which would be your preference?

16 responses





Scheduling

- Southeast-sponsored remote tournament 22-27 Feb
- Fairbanks-sponsored remote tournament 8-13 Mar
- Anchorage/MatSu-sponsored remote tournament 22-27 Mar
- State championship remote tournament- April 12-17
- “Last chance” tournament
- How many should teams participate in? We should make sure everyone is able to participate in at least two if they want
- Scrimmages etc.: Dec 12 Colony, Feb 8-13 TMHS



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Communications

- FIRST FaceBook page
- FIRST in Alaska FaceBook page
- FIRST in Alaska FIRST Tech Challenge coaches group (closed)
- FTC Share and Learn FaceBook group (closed)
- Website www.jedc.org/firstinalaska 2020-2021 Season Updates
- Watch for email
- Contact me- acooper@jedc.org, 465-7524

Questions?

