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Third Annual FIRST LEGO Robotics Competition

Saturday, December 10, 2011 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

At the Putnam Museum

Davenport, Iowa- Five Davenport Community Schools teams will join over 37 teams from the Quad Cities area to compete in the Third Annual FIRST LEGO Robotics Competition held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, December 10, 2011, in the Putnam Museum, 1717 West 12th Street, Davenport.

Davenport Community Schools teams returning to competition include:

#4619	Food Botz	Smart intermediate School
#4620	Germ Busters	Williams Intermediate School
#6307	Giant Crazy Cow with a Huge Blue-Orange Kabab with a Bowl of Soup McBoom	Wood Intermediate School
#7355	The BaconatoRs	Walcott Intermediate School
#9566	Electric Jaguars	Young Intermediate School

Approximately 1,000 people are expected at this event. In FIRST LEGO League students deal with real-world science and technology challenges. Teams of students build autonomous LEGO robots that perform a series of missions. This year's theme for the competition is "Food Factor Challenge." The idea behind "Food Factor" is to solve a contamination or spoiling problem so that people do not get sick from eating bad food. In order to be successful in the competition, students will use a range of skill sets including applying real-world math and science concepts, creativity, critical thinking, time management, collaboration and communication.

Judges for the competition will be engineers and community professionals from John Deere, Alcoa, and other local businesses.

For additional information www.firstlegoleague.org/challenge/2011foodfactor

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