



You are invited to attend the

UC Davis - Sacramento Region  
FIRST

(For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology)

Robotics Competition Kickoff Event

Saturday, January 5th, 2008 at 7:00 am - 9:30 am

(No, it's not a typo; the event is a webcast from New Hampshire)

123 Sciences Lecture Hall

UC Davis Campus

This event marks the beginning of the 2008 FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) season. This year's game will be unveiled through a simultaneous broadcast at "local kickoff" sites (including ours) across the country.

The purpose of FIRST ([www.usfirst.org](http://www.usfirst.org)) is to inspire middle school and high school students to pursue careers in engineering and science. The high school robotics program brings together students, their teachers, professional engineers, university professors/students and their communities to celebrate engineering design, creativity, strategic thinking, gracious professionalism and teamwork. At the high school level, over 1,000 high school teams will compete in the FIRST Robotics competition this year. Teams have six weeks in January and February to build a robot utilizing a common kit of parts, to succeed in a game that changes every year. UC Davis will host the Sacramento Regional competition on March 20-22, 2008, at the ARC Pavilion.

If you are interested in becoming a team mentor, learning how to start a team, want to support local teams or the regional competition, or just want to learn more about the FIRST program and see firsthand how teams get started in this year's

competition, please join us at this kick-off event. It's free and open to the public so bring the whole family. For more information see the website:

<http://firstsac.engineering.ucdavis.edu/pages/kickoff.html>

Maps and Direction  
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Driving east on Interstate 80 from the San Francisco Bay Area or driving west on I-80 from Sacramento. Take the Highway 113 exit north.

Take the first exit is UC Davis (Hutchison Drive) exit and go east until you reach the campus.

Heading east while staying on Hutchison Drive you will cross La Rue Rd. at the stop light. Parking lot P41 is on your right at the first stop sign.

Please park in parking lot P41

Parking will be free for the Kick-off

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