

BATTLE O' BALTIMORE

Welcome to the 20th Annual Battle O' Baltimore!

The Maryland Robotics Alliance Inc. proudly presents the Battle O' Baltimore, the only off-season event in Maryland.

The MRA, a mentor and team support organization in the Baltimore area, wants to thank our sponsors for their generous support.

Enclosed in this packet, you will find a team questionnaire to complete and bring with you, as well as information that we hope will be helpful.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to visit our website at www.battleobaltimore.com or contact the MRA at bob@mdrobotalliance.org

Maryland Robotics Alliance Inc.

Archbishop Spalding HS



Battle of Baltimore (BoB)
Team Welcome Information
October 17, 2026
[Schedule](#)

We're thrilled to extend a warm greeting to all the FIRST Robotics Competition teams joining us at Battle of Baltimore (BoB). Archbishop Spalding High School, located at [8080 New Cut Road, Severn, MD. 21144](#), is home to Team 4541 - Cavineers.

Load-in: [Parking Map](#) | Load-in will occur from 4 PM - 8 PM on Friday, October 16. As you enter our school parking lot, your team will continue straight on the right-hand side of our school building to the back parking lot.

Trailer Parking: You may leave your trailers in our gravel lot also located in the back of the school overnight. | [Parking Map](#)

Pre-order Lunches: We are offering [pre-order lunches](#) through Absolutely Perfect Catering. Orders are due by Friday, October 12th at noon. Orders and payment for pre-ordered lunches is handled through the catering company directly.

Concessions: We will offer concessions on Saturday, see our [menu](#) for options. We accept credit cards and cash. We understand that it can be a challenge organizing lunch for your team, so you are welcome to bring in outside food to our cafeteria.

Spectators: We ask that family, friends, and spectators enter the competition through the doors located closest to our football field near our parking circle. There is more parking on this side of the school. | [Parking Map](#)

Pits: Pit Map | Pits will be 9 ft. X 9 ft and located in Gym 1, which is easily accessible from the load-in entrance.



DO

HAVE FUN!!!!

Do respect everyone at the venue

Do bring banners/displays

Do operate in a safe manner

Do wear safety glasses and closed toed shoes in the pits and while competing

Do use tether cables to control your robot when not on the field

Do cheer for your team and show team spirit

Do cheer for other teams

Do look at other robots in the pits

Do be prepared to show off your robot to visitors

Do be prepared to have younger roboteers and the public come to your pit and ask questions

DON'T

Don't run in the arena

Don't block aisles with toolboxes, carts, supplies, etc.

Don't boo other teams

Don't bang sticks or other noisemakers on bleachers

Don't bring flammable liquids into the arena

Don't have food in the pits or around the playing field

Don't sell food or other items

No wireless hotspots in the pits or stands!

WHAT TO BRING CHECKLIST

SAFETY ITEMS

- Safety Glasses for all team members and pit area guests
- Emergency contact numbers for all team members
- Simple First Aid kit supplies
- Gloves for pit crew and drive team!

ROBOT ITEMS

- Robot, tether cable, and all accessories needed
- Extra battery and charger for the robot
- A backup of your programs
- Laptop computer if necessary

PIT ITEMS

- Power strip and extension cords
- Tools needed for robot repair
- Extra parts needed for robot repair

TEAM ITEMS

- Gracious Professionalism
- Team Spirit
- Money for breakfast and lunch
- Notepaper and pens/pencils
- Team promotional handouts
- Camera
- Pit decorations if desired

Absolutely no active wireless hotspots in the pits or stands!

Safety

Safety rules will be strictly enforced at the Battle O' Baltimore. That means...

Safety glasses must be worn by everyone, at all times, in the pits and on the playing field!

Closed toe shoes are a requirement for team members in the pits and on the playing field.

Ear protection should be used where appropriate.

Please take extra care to tape down electrical cords if they may be a tripping hazard. Do not apply duct tape to the gym floor. See staff for gaff tape if needed.

If you arrive on Friday, please do not leave batteries charging overnight!

Pit space is limited—consider safety issues as you decide what to set up.

Battle O' Baltimore Team Questionnaire Please bring to event!

1. Team Number:
2. School/Sponsoring Organization:
3. Community Partners:
4. Team Nickname (and what it means or where you got the idea for it):
5. Robot Name (is there anything meaningful about that?)
6. Years in FIRST:
7. Hometown and State. Is this a big city or a small town? What makes your hometown special?
8. How many students are on your team? Mentors? Other significant adults? Do your mentors come from one company, or a variety of businesses?
9. What events has your team participated in?
10. What awards have you won?
11. What does your team do other than build robots for the FIRST competition? Are you involved in any other FIRST-related activities? Are you involved as a team in any other community activities?
12. Is there anything you want to share about your team's alumni and their continuing involvement in FIRST or technology-related activities?
13. What else would you like for others to know about your team?

Use back of page if needed.