

Information Packet

Bridgewater-Raritan High School

“BONUS Meet”

- Thanks for signing up to join us at the New Jersey FTC Friday Afternoon Meet on January 18th.
- Special thanks to Bridgewater-Raritan High School and to Paul Kloberg and the BRHS FTC Teams for hosting this “Bonus Meet”.
- This is a great chance for all our teams to have one more opportunity to compete and to improve their QP/RP Standings (if still in the hunt for advancement to the state championship).
- We’d also like to thank our volunteers who are helping to add one more event to our busy season. You’re the best!!
- Currently 15 teams have registered for this Meet and we are expecting the field of teams to be very close to what is shown on page 7 of this Packet.



Location

**Bridgewater-Raritan HS
600 Garretson Road
Bridgewater, NJ 08807**

Team Arrival:

As close to 4pm as possible.

This gives time for registration, inspection ... and Matches start at 5pm!

Event Completes: ~7:45 pm

Bridgewater-Raritan High School Information

Website

<http://www.brrsd.k12.nj.us/HighSchool.cfm>

Directions to Bridgewater- Raritan Campus

<http://www.brrsd.k12.nj.us/HighSchool.cfm?subpage=860>

FROM THE SOUTH:

Take Route 202/206 North through the Somerville Circle to Commons Way. At the traffic light make a left onto Commons Way and proceed to the traffic light at the end of Commons Way. You will see The Field house on the left. Make a left onto Garretson Road. The Field House, Athletic Fields and High School are located on the left.

OR

Take the Garden State Parkway North to Route 287 North. Take Exit 14B-Somerville-Route 22 West (The exit lane will be on the left). Proceed on Route 22 West to Commons Way. Stay on Commons Way past the Mall to the traffic light at the end of the road. That is Garretson Road. Make a left hand turn onto Garretson Road. The Field House and High School are on the left.

FROM THE NORTH:

Take Route 287 South to Exit 17. Travel 1/4 mile on Route 202-206 South to Commons Way. Make a right hand turn onto Commons Way and proceed to the traffic light at the end of the road. Make a left hand turn onto Garretson Road. The Field House and High School are on the left.

FROM THE EAST:

Take Route 78 West to Exit 29 and proceed on Route 287 South to Exit 17: Travel 1/4 mile to Commons Way. Make a right hand turn at the light onto Commons Way and proceed to the traffic light at the end of the road. Make a left hand turn onto Garretson Road. The Field House and High School are on the left.

OR

Take Route 22 West to Commons Way and follow the directions above to Garretson Road.

FROM THE WEST:

Take Route 78 East to Exit 29 - Route 287 South to Exit 17:

Travel 1/4 mile to Commons Way and make a right hand turn at the traffic light and follow the road to the end - make a left hand turn onto Garretson Road. The Field House and High School are on the left.

OR

Take Route 22 East to the jug handle after Country Club Road (across from Ethicon) to Route 22 West and proceed past Ethicon to the traffic light. At the traffic light make a right hand turn onto Country Club Road and proceed to the first traffic light. Make a right hand turn at the light onto Garretson Road and proceed a 1/2 mile to the High School on the right. Proceed past the High School to get to the Athletic Fields.

EVENT INFORMATION

Arrival: It is important that all teams arrive on time and report to the check-in table immediately upon arrival. This will allow us to make the match schedule quickly. Please call 862-432-1526 if you are going to be late.

Check In: Team Check-In opens at 3:30pm. We are looking to our teams to arrive as close to 4pm as possible. This will help us to process teams through inspection and flashing of Samantha in time for a prompt start of matches.

Meet Area: The full competition will be held in the school Cafeteria This places the Pits conveniently close to the Playing Field.

Pit Area: Please stay within the boundaries of your pit and be kind to your neighbors. If you have large banners, displays, or posters, we can find a space somewhere else in the arena for these items.

The Pit Areas should stay clear of obstructions to traffic and NO Team networks are allowed in the Pit. We will have a Pit Router set up for the use of all.

Queuing: Per usual, Event Team Queuers will remind teams (as needed) to come to the Competition Area in time for matches. However, remember that Queuers are there to assist and the BEST teams queue themselves and don't need to be reminded that their match is coming up.

Top Teams are watching the Matches, then are in the Queuing area and ready to go for their Match. Please assign someone on your team to help to help your team perform like a top team!

Supplies: Be sure to bring a Utility Strip. Safety Glasses, Battery Chargers (marked with Team Number) and spare parts.

Opening Ceremony: We will make some remarks at the start of the first Match but there are no formal Ceremonies, per se, at Meets.

Match Lists: We are often asked "when will Match Lists be available?". They will be handed out ~4:30. The information will be available sooner if all teams are able to pass inspection earlier., and help them as needed.

EVENT INFORMATION (continued)

Inspection: Arriving robots report IMMEDIATELY to Inspection. This is always THE pacing element in starting the competition on time. Please help.

Judging: We will have some Awards Judging taking place during this Meet. Being piloted this season is a Judging Scorecard and Pit Interview to expedite the Judging process during these short Meets.

There will be Judged Award Certificates given out at the end of the event for the various award CATegories.

Robot Marking: Remember to have your team numbers on the robot in large size, per spec. That sometimes does not happen early in the season. So too, make sure that your robot accommodates the mounting of the Alliance Flag. This has been a problem for some at earlier Meets!

Food: Our host will have a snack area that is open for most of the Meet. There will be plenty of good eats particularly during the planned dinner pause in the competition. Teams are encouraged to “Grab ‘n Go” (i.e., visit the snack area throughout the event). Please remind team members to bring pocket money for snacks and dinner.

If we run into any schedule problem, we will cut the ½ hour lunch a little short. With 15-16 teams competing, things may get a little tight ...hence the encouragement to Grab ‘n Go.

Gracious Professionalism: Please act in accordance with the guidelines of Gracious Professionalism. Ungracious behavior directed at referees or event volunteers will not be tolerated and will be grounds for disqualification from the event. Be kind to your referees, fellow teams, our venue...

FIRST AID: Please go to the Pit Administration table for basic First Aid Supplies. Please alert the event organizers if more involved care is required.

PIT SAFETY: Safety expectations and rules at this Meet are the same as for all FIRST events. Please refer to the FIRST manual for those standards.

GENERAL CONDUCT: Participants and volunteers are expected to behave with Gracious Professionalism at all times. Unruly actions which create safety concerns may result in warnings or ejection from the site at the discretion of the organizers.

Competition Schedule



"Bridgewater Raritan High School - Afternoon

3:00 - 3:30		Arrival Time for Start-Up Volunteers
3:30		All Volunteers On Site Early Arriving Teams
4:00		Team Registration and Inspection Stations Fully Open
4:00 - 5:00		Mechanical & Software Inspection
4:15		Drivers Meeting
4:30		Match List Available
5:00		Qualifying Matches (~15 Teams: 5 Matches Each) <u>20 Matches Played - Two Field Event</u> [6 Minute Cycle Time ...120 Minutes]
		10 Matches accomplished before Break
6:00		Food Arrives - Volunteers Break
		Food Available for Teams to Pick Up
6:30		Final 10 Matches
7:30		Competition Matches Completed
7:45		Standings Hand-Out Awards Certificates Teams Departed



Field of 15 FTC Teams

For the ...

“BRHS - Panthers”

FRIDAY AFTERNOON MEET

Team #	Team Name	School / Org	Key Contact
755	Mechanical Wave	Delbarton School	Greg Devine
756	TEST Team	Bridgewater-Raritan HS	Paul Kloberg
757	Suburban Legends	Bridgewater-Raritan HS	Paul Kloberg
3568	Ice Wolves	NBHS	Roger Weiss
3719	Rampage Raiders	NBHS	Roger Weiss
4301	Tigers	Timothy Christian	Wendy Gall
4780	Team Blu	Francis Lewis High School	Angela Sherman / Marlon Anuran
4890	Hive Voltage 2.0	Bayonne High School	Marie Aloia
5912	LBHS	Long Branch	Joey Keagle
5997	Superusers	Pleasantville High School, Pleasantville NY	Ravi Subramanya
6110	METS	M.E.T.S. Charter School (Jersey City)	Mr. Ian Fallstich
6344	Chargers	Timber Creek Robotics	Kyle O'Donnell
6472	Eagle Tech	Edison High School	Michael Iannace
6613	Robo Yale	Y.A.L.E.	Matthew Brady
6719	Piotech	Pioneer Academy of Science	Ismail Dede