Core Values Sample Questions

Inspiration: Discovery

- What's the most important thing you learned this season?
- Would you still do FLL even if there were no awards? Why?
- If an FLL team can't attend an event because there isn't one nearby, is FLL still worth doing? Why?
- Do any of your team members mentor others? If so explain.
- What was the most surprising thing you learned this season?
- Which aspect of FLL did your team like best? Least?
- How did your team decide which aspect of FLL to do first?
- Describe any struggles your team had making sure they addressed all 3 aspects (Project, Robot, Core Values) of FLL.

Inspiration: Team Spirit

- How would you describe your team?
- How did your team decide its name?
- What's the most important thing we should know about your team?
- What does your team do when it is having a bad day?
- How does your team share with others your excitement and enthusiasm?
- Do you participate on any other teams (i.e., sports, debating, chess club, drama club) and, if so, is there anything different about your FLL team experience?

Inspiration: Integration

- Tell us what you have learned about FLL and how you think it will help you in the future.
- Name one of the FLL Core Values and explain how your team uses it (or could use it) outside of FLL.
- Who can give me an example of a way they used an FLL Core Value this year on their own away from the team?
- Does anyone have an example of someone they know (on the team or off) using FLL Core Values in a way that impressed you?

Teamwork: Effectiveness

- What were your team goals this season?
- How did you decide on your team goals?
- Tell me about a problem you had on your team and how it was resolved.
- Tell me about how your group makes decisions together.
- What do you do when your group doesn't agree?
- How does your team solve problems that come up?
- Does your team have a set of rules? If so, what are they, and how are they enforced?

Teamwork: Efficiency

- How did your team decide what to do each time you met?
- Did your team get everything done this season that you set out to do?
- How does your team manage its time?

- If we gave your team one more week to work together, how would you use it?
- Tell us about the roles each of you had on the team and how this worked.
- How did you decide who would do each role?
- What happens if a team member is not getting his/her job done?
- Can someone else do your job? What happens when someone is sick?
- Do you have team leaders? If so, explain how that works.

Teamwork: Kids Do The Work

- What's the most important thing you learned from your coach?
- What does your team do when it gets stuck?
- Describe a situation when your coach helped you. What did he/she do?
- What makes a good coach?
- What kinds of things does a coach need to know?
- What would your team do if it didn't have a coach?
- How did your coach help the team be successful?

Gracious Professionalism: Inclusion

- How does your team get its ideas?
- How does your team decide which ideas they will pursue?
- Tell me about one thing each of you contributed to the team.
- What do you do when you don't like someone else's idea?

Gracious Professionalism: Respect

- What does Gracious Professionalism mean to you?
- How do you show Gracious Professionalism when you relate to your team? To your coach? To others?
- How do you make someone feel valued when you talk to them?

Gracious Professionalism: Coopertition

- What example of Gracious Professionalism have you seen another team do today?
- If you saw something happening to another team and thought it wasn't fair, what would you do and why?
- Explain how Gracious Professionalism is like good sportsmanship. And how is it different?
- Can you give an example of Gracious Professionalism that your team displayed this season?
- Competitions can sometimes be stressful. How does your team prepare each other or maybe other teams to get ready for a big event?

Look for:

- Confidence and enthusiasm of team members.
- Concrete descriptions and examples.
- Are team members listening to each other and to the judges? Are they interrupting each other or waiting their turn?
- Are team members looking at the judges when they speak or at team members when they are talking?
- Is everyone answering questions or just a few?
- Do they encourage each other to participate?
- Does the team look to the coach for direction?