

## GAME ANNOUNCER

### POSITION SUMMARY

Work as part of a team with the Master of Ceremonies to energize the teams and spectators, generate and maintain interest, enthusiasm, and excitement throughout the matches. Announce play-by-play commentary for each match. Play a critical role in ensuring smooth flow of match play, and maintaining the pace of the event. Key volunteer position, significantly impacts the success of the event.

### BENEFITS OF THE POSITION

- Make a difference in the lives of youth by creating a fun, meaningful and inspirational experience for team members
- High profile position, audible and visible presence at competition
- Significant level of responsibility
- Community exposure
- Opportunity to utilize and further develop public speaking skills
- Opportunity to set the pace of the event; impact overall quality of event
- Opportunity to work in an exciting, fun, highly-charged environment

### ACTIVITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Demonstrate Gracious Professionalism
- Attend Volunteer Meeting
- Participate in training opportunities offered by FIRST
- Provide play-by-play commentary for each match
- Report match scores and winning team alliance
- Make “housekeeping” announcements
- Assist Master of Ceremonies in keeping spectators informed of competition agenda and status; seek and announce unique information specific to individual teams

### EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS NEEDED

- FIRST experience strongly preferred
- Public speaking experience highly preferred; TV/radio/acting experience ideal
- Comfortable using a microphone and addressing a large crowd; vocally energetic
- High energy, gregarious; sense of humor
- Ability to develop commentary as matches occur
- Ability to collaborate with others
- Strong organizational skills
- Thorough knowledge of the game
- Ability to sit for long periods of time

### TRAINING

Provided by FIRST headquarters prior to start of competition season. May include: live and/or recorded web conferences, teleconference(s), manual and other support materials, email communications and one-on-one support. First-year volunteer may serve in an apprentice role, working with a veteran Game Announcer.

### TIME COMMITMENT AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

**Commitment:** Friday and Saturday, Thursday is optional, and Wednesday Dinner Meeting; participation in training offered by FIRST

DAY(S)TIMES	ACTIVITIES
* <i>Volunteers should arrive on site 30-45 minutes prior to start of shift</i> * <i>Shift times may vary by regional event</i>	
Wednesday Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attend Volunteer Meeting</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Optional, practice matches only</li> <li>• Opportunity to observe and become familiar with the game</li> </ul>

<b>Friday</b> 8am-6pm <b>*Saturday</b> 8am-5pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prior to start of shift:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check-in at Volunteer Registration/Information Table</li><li>• Report to field</li></ul></li><li>• Consult with Master of Ceremonies</li><li>• Perform duties</li></ul>
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**REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS AND SUPERVISION**

- Event Manager provides direct supervision
- Oversight by Volunteer Coordinator