



ORTOP JFLL Coaches:

Welcome to a new JFLL Season! Some of you are returning coaches, some of you are new coaches and I imagine some of you are moving up to FIRST LEGO League! If you want off the JFLL list serv, please send a note to cathy_swider@ous.edu

Your 2007 ORTOP JFLL Co-Coordinator will be Cassidy Swider and Stephanie Bryan. Cassidy was the JFLL Coordinator last year and Stephanie was our Head Expo Reviewer. They have a meeting scheduled for later this week to discuss Expo details. We'll keep you informed.

You can contact Stephanie and Cassidy at jfll-questions@ortop.org . If you want additional adult helpers added to this list serv, drop Stephanie and Cassidy a note.

This will be an exciting new season. Our pilot year was tremendously successful. We are anticipating substantial growth in 2007. Our thanks to everyone who participated last year and gave us feedback; it has helped shape the program for this year.

The link to the JFLL webpage on the ORTOP website is <http://www.ortop.org/jfll.htm>

Official JFLL information and registration on the national website is on <http://www.firstlegoleague.org/default.aspx?pid=18130>

Unfortunately, JFLL will not assign you a JFLL Team number but ORTOP will! Once we receive your information from the national site we will contact you with your JFLL/ORTOP Team #. It is easier for us to administer the program with Team #'s.

National JFLL has made some program changes. For those of you who participated last year, you can use your LEGO kit from last year and just pay a \$15 registration fee. If you are new, you need to pay the \$15 registration fee and it is suggested that you purchase the JFLL LEGO set for \$95. (2006 teams can purchase the new LEGO set if desired.)

Another change: All models will have to fit in a 15" x 15" square. I looked at the optional products on the registration site and I do recommend that you add the 15" x 15" base plate (\$9.99) if you don't have one. They are also available at the Washington Square LEGO Store in Beaverton. You are free to use any LEGO pieces that your team owns.

The JFLL Power Puzzle Challenge will be released on Sept. 5th but you can register at any time. Welcome back and please encourage others to participate. The Challenge is very straight forward this year and very understandable!

Regards,

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