



All I Ever Needed to Know I Learned in FIRST

Science, engineering and technology can be fun • Be nice to others • Share your resources • Duct tape is what holds the world together • It's not about winning, it's about how you play the game • Meet your deadlines • Work hard when it's time to work and play hard when it's time to play • Listen to other people; adults can teach you a lot • Listen to other people; students can teach you a lot • You can build all the robots you want, but you still need people to make the world turn • Become a lifelong volunteer • There is no "I" in "TEAM" • Smile • Gracious Professionalism goes a long way • There's always going to be tough calls • The world does not revolve around you • Make new friends • Riding on a Segway™ is the closest thing you'll get to a magic carpet ride • Set goals • Sometimes you just have to move out of your own way • Don't whine • If it ain't broke, don't fix it • Life is full of successes and failures and you can learn a lot from both • Lend a hand • Don't operate machinery unless someone shows you how • Reach for the stars • Safety glasses are NOT forehead protectors • If you've learned something, pass it on • Say "Thank You" often • It's OK to sleep if you're tired, even during the middle of Build • File these memories so you can take them out in old age • Take pride in what you've accomplished • Agree to disagree • Always carry a band-aid • Challenge yourself • Laugh at your mistakes • Use the right tool for the right job • Measure twice, cut once • Act as though your grandmother was watching you • Take risks; you can always ask for forgiveness later • If you're not willing to be part of the solution, don't be part of the problem • Pursue your passion •

*Think outside the universe *

