## 20 20 23 REC FOUNDATION EVENT PARTNER SUMMIT



## Event Region EP/KV Training Model

Sarah Jones Event Engagement Manager



## Topics

Summit Models

Regional EP Summit Models

Training a New Event Partner

Key Volunteers

**REC** Library

## **Meet the Facilitators**



Sarah Jones Event Engagement Manager

- Event Engagement Manager for AR, KY, MO, NC, SC, TN & VA
- 9 years of event experience for IQ and VRC
- AR Event Region Championship Event Partner for 8 years
- REC Foundation Employee for 1 year.

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## **Meet the Facilitators**



**Leslie Cruse** Event Engagement Manager

- Event Engagement Manager for AL, GA, FL, LA and MS
- 9 years of event experience for IQ and VRC
- State Championship Co-Event Partner for initial AL State Championship
- REC Foundation Employee for 7 year.







#### **EVENT PARTNER SUMMIT 2023**

## **Meet the Facilitators**



Randy Decker Event Engagement Manager

- Event Engagement Manager for Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio.
- One of the first EPs in Indiana starting in 2007 through 2016 in VRC and IQ
- Organized and ran over 40 events during my time as an EP.
- REC Foundation Employee for 7 years.

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## Regional Event Partner Summit Models

What has been the most useful training experience at a conference/PD?

- *How was it different?*
- What made it so helpful to you?





## **Regional Event Partner** Summit Models

How can the regional Event Partner Summits become more useful and effective for all Event Partners and Key Volunteers?

- Would it be helpful to allow Head Referees to meet prior to the season?
- Could judging become more consistent if regional Judge Advisors meet to discuss the updated guide to judging and share best practices?
- Can you think of multiple topics that would be needed for your region that may not have been addressed in previous years?





## **Regional Event Partner** Summit Models

- Who typically attends your regional summits?
- Is there a group of individuals who would benefit from these meetings who typically do not attend?
- How can we reach more individuals and get them involved?
- Would coaches benefit from attending even if they do not host events?
- How do we change the culture of EP summits to encourage more attendance, and create more of a community of individuals to support regions?





# **Tennessee Event Partner Summit**

## **Models for 2022-23**

- General Session for Season Updates and Planning
- Individual Breakout Session Topics (presented by regional EPs and KVs)
  - VIQRC Referee • VRC Referee Training
  - Judge Advisor Training 0
  - Tournament Manager 0 0 (Basic, Intermediate, 0 and Advanced options) 0
- Training
  - Tablet Scoring
  - **Raspberry Pis** 
    - Live Streaming



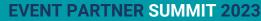
## **Fresh Look**

**Regional Summits** 

If you were planning your regional summit.....

- What would be the length of the summit?
- What topics would you think would be most needed?
- What type of facility/location would you utilize?
- Who would you invite?







**Training New Event Partner** 

#### **Event Partners**

- Have them shadow a veteran EP
- Based on your experience, what are some common challenges or areas where new event partners may need extra assistance, training or guidance?
- Are there any training materials, resources, or documentation that you found helpful for a new event partner?
- How can we create a supportive and collaborative environment between new event partners and veteran event partners?
- What is one thing you wished you would have known when hosting your very first event?

## **Best Practices**

#### **Key Volunteers**

- How do you ensure that your Key Volunteers have the experience necessary for their role?
- What role-specific training do you provide?
- What incentives do you offer your Key Volunteers?
- What do you do if your Key Volunteer isn't working out during an event?

- How do you start and grow your relationships with your Key Volunteers?
- How do you handle communication and coordination with Key volunteers before, during and after an event?
- Do you have any guidelines or best practices for managing conflicts or challenges that might occur during your event?

## **REC Foundation**

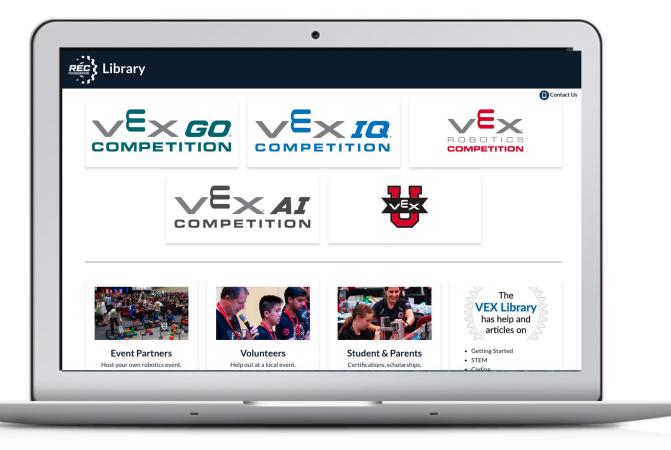
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### **Event Partners**

- Certification and Training
- Qualifying Criteria
- Event Support Articles

#### Volunteers

- Certification and Training
- Detailed Information for
  each Volunteer Role —





## **COMING UP NEXT**



## THANK YOU



## **Coming Up Next**

### **Schedule of Events**

7/12/23	10:00 AM - 10:50 AM	Small Group Breakout Session 1	Breakout Rooms
7/12/23	11:00 AM - 11:50 AM	Small Group Breakout Session 2	Breakout Rooms
7/12/23	12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	Kettering University Learning Commons
7/12/23	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Campus Tours	Kettering University
7/12/23	2:00 PM - 2:50 PM	Small Group Breakout Session 3	Breakout Rooms
7/12/23	3:00 PM - 3:50 PM	Small Group Breakout Session 4	Breakout Rooms
7/12/23	4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Award Chart Discussion	Sunset Room
7/12/23	5:00 PM- 5:45 PM	Q and A / Hot Topics	Sunset Room
7/12/23	5:45 PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner / Networking	Kettering University Cafeteria