Teacher Timeline for Fall Game Participation

- **As soon as possible:** Get on the teacher contact list to get information on signup procedures and deadlines *(Strongly Advised)*
  - Will receive the teacher newsletters and information on registering
  - [http://www.rockymountainbest.org/teams/signup/](http://www.rockymountainbest.org/teams/signup/) is the link to get on list

- **May – June:** Schools sign up to sponsor team *(Required)*
  - Registration will close in June for 28 teams plus one alternate team
  - Will need school name and point-of-contact

- **Summer:** FREE Teacher / Mentor Institute, TMI *(Strongly Advised)*
  - Two days of presentations of information (Programming, Engineering Design, Panels, for example) to help new (and experienced!) Mentors prepare their teams for the competition
  - Includes building a simple robot for a hands-on experience

- **A Saturday in September:** Kickoff of Robot build *(Required)*
  - New game for the year presented
  - Kits of building materials handed out (a returnable kit and a consumable kit)
  - Tutorials on aspects of robot building available for students and mentors

- **A Saturday in October, FIVE weeks after Kickoff:** Practice Day *(Strongly Advised)*
  - Students get to practice on the game field with their robots
  - Engineering notebooks are turned in *(Required)*

- **A Saturday in October, ONE week after Practice Day:** Game Day at Metropolitan State University of Denver *(Auraria Event Center)*

**Handy email addresses:**

- [www.rmbest.org](http://www.rmbest.org) or [www.rockymountainbest.org](http://www.rockymountainbest.org): The Rocky Mountain BEST website
- [http://www.bestinc.org/bestology/](http://www.bestinc.org/bestology/): Website for weekly projects, game hints, and skill sets for students to be competitive in the game and workplace (available starting in late winter/spring) - Current and former game themes/activities available
- [www.bestinc.org](http://www.bestinc.org): National BEST organization website (BEST Robotics, Inc.)