

# FRC Team 16 – Bomb Squad

## 2026 FIRST World Championship – Houston, TX

April 28 – May 3, 2026

*Abbreviated Itinerary for Village Travel / Driver Craig*

### Key Contacts

**J.R. Bergenstock (Lead):** (870) 405-4826

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**Group Size:** ~20 students + mentors

### Key Addresses

Location	Address	Notes
<b>Bomb Shelter (Pickup)</b>	1439 College St, Mountain Home, AR 72653	Departure point
<b>Hotel</b>	Holiday Inn Express & Suites Houston IAH 1920 N Sam Houston Pkwy E, Houston, TX 77032	(346) 209-6027
<b>Competition Venue</b>	George R. Brown Convention Center 1001 Avenida De Las Americas, Houston, TX 77010	Daily destination Wed–Sat
<b>Galleria Mall</b>	5085 Westheimer Rd, Houston, TX 77056	Wed lunch stop
<b>Mia's Table</b>	3131 Argonne St, Houston, TX 77098	Tue dinner w/ Breakaway
<b>Portillo's</b>	7511 FM 1960 Rd W, Houston, TX 77070	Fri dinner

### Daily Schedule

#### Tuesday, April 28 — Travel Day

**4:00 AM** Bus arrives at Bomb Shelter — 1439 College St, Mountain Home

**4:30 AM** Load bus

**4:45 AM** DEPART Mountain Home for Houston (~11 hours)

**12:30 PM** Lunch stop en route (on their own — ~30 min)

**~4:00 PM** Arrive Holiday Inn Express IAH — check in

**5:30 PM** Drive to Mia's Table for dinner with Breakaway (3131 Argonne St)

**8:30 PM** Return to hotel

#### Wednesday, April 29 — Load-In & Practice

*Note: Load-in crew has separate transportation. Bus is NOT needed for the 8:00 AM load-in.*

**10:00 AM** Depart hotel for Galleria Mall (lunch/free time)

**1:00 PM** Leave Galleria Mall → GRB Convention Center

**7:30 PM** Competition activities end — return to hotel

## Thursday, April 30 — Competition Day 1

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*Note: Dinner will be picked up and brought to the hotel. No restaurant stop needed.*

**5:15 AM** Depart hotel for GRB Convention Center

**6:45 PM** Competition activities end — return directly to hotel

## Friday, May 1 — Competition Day 2

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**5:15 AM** Depart hotel for GRB Convention Center

**6:45 PM** Competition activities end

**~7:00 PM** Drive to Portillo's (7511 FM 1960 Rd W) for dinner

**~9:30 PM** Return to hotel

## Saturday, May 2 — Finals & Return

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**⚠ Students will load ALL luggage on the bus before leaving the hotel. We do NOT return to the hotel.**

**5:15 AM** Depart hotel for GRB Convention Center (luggage loaded)

**~6:30 PM** Competition ends — DEPART Houston for Mountain Home (~11 hours)

**~4:00 AM Sun** Approximate arrival in Mountain Home

## Notes for Driver

- All times are approximate and may shift — J.R. will communicate any changes directly.
- The convention center has bus parking and drop-off areas. Follow signs for FIRST Robotics.
- Tuesday has a dinner stop at Mia's Table (Upper Kirby area). Wednesday is the multi-stop day (Galleria → GRB → hotel). Thursday and Saturday are simple hotel → GRB → hotel roundtrips. Friday adds a dinner stop at Portillo's.
- Wednesday and Thursday dinners are being picked up by a team member — no bus needed for those restaurant runs.
- Saturday is the long day — bus needs to be loaded with luggage in the morning. We leave Houston directly from the venue after the event ends (~6:30 PM).
- The group includes high school students. We appreciate your patience and safe driving!

***Thank you, Mindy & Craig! We appreciate Village Travel!***

*— FRC Team 16, Bomb Squad — Mountain Home, Arkansas —*