September – November	December	January
○ Locate a Challenge region nearby	○ Continue team formation	Continue school and team registrations and pre- Challenge survey completion.
Register school or organization	Teams read guidelines and select challenge	Challenge survey completion.
 Receive acknowledgement of registration 	(sea, air or land)	Confirm engineering mentors for all teams who want to be matched. Have mentors obtain
and information on registering student teams		clearances as needed.
and other pertinent data from the regional coordinator (RC).		
Gather information - Read Survival Guide	Link with volunteer engineering mentor as desired	Start engineering design process with brainstorming and background research
for Educators, and Challenge guidelines for		
students. Read next steps. Contact RC or SeAL Group with questions.		Receive Preliminary Design Review (PDR) due date (approx 3-5 weeks after start of semester
·		depending on Challenge date).
O Determine funding or fundraise as needed for the team's robotic systems		
O Determine implementation – in school or outof-school.		
February	March	April/May
Continue team registrations and pre-	Continue engineering design process with	Continue build and test iterations . Practice
Challenge survey completion.	building and coding robotic system	running system.
O Downselect robotic system concept .		○ Air Challenge teams, submit Team Flight
Begin PDR .		certification videos by due date (~2 weeks prior to Challenge Day)
Engage with mentor, share concept	Test system and iterate build as needed	
		Receive Challenge Day schedules and arrange for transportation
Submit PDR by due date. Receive scored results from reviewer.		Prepare introductory (elevator) speech for
		Challenge Day judges
○ CDRs optional		Participate in Challenge Day
Order materials and supplies once PDR		☐ Take post Challenge surveys (online)
review received.		
		Wrap up program with final report or other activity (opt.)