

SCHOLARS BOWL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOME to the 2023-24 SCHOLARS BOWL SEASON!

This is your scholars bowl communication hub. Announcements and resources are posted here throughout the season.



Having accurate contact information within the KSHSAA database is crucial. It's time to "BUZZ IN" with your activity director (school administration) to make sure your name and email address is listed correctly. The KSHSAA (Scholars Bowl = Rod Garman and Mikaela Cox) often emails notices/info directly to coaches throughout the school year. Don't miss out! Also, your AD will have your login credentials to the KSHSAA site. You will need to login under the "Schools" tab for various reasons including accessing online publications, question submission, postseason entry forms, and coaches can access other schools' coach contact info under "Directories". This is helpful when sending out tournament invites.

SCHOLARS BOWL MANUAL

The 2023-24 KSHSAA Scholars Bowl Manual was mailed to schools in late July. This is a vital resource all coaches and administrators will want to become familiar with. It can also be accessed online once logged into the KSHSAA site. Simply click on the "Publications" link and under "Manuals" select "Scholars Bowl". The manual covers topics such as rules of play, hosting guidelines, and postseason information.

Click [HERE](#) for this year's manual revisions. These revisions reflect current practices and were brought forth by the Kansas Association of Scholars Bowl Coaches (KASBC) through survey results submitted by you and your fellow coaches across the state. The KSHSAA Executive Board approved the revisions for the 2023-24 season.

CPR/AED TRAINING REQUIREMENT

Alert! All coaches (head and assistant) are required to be CPR/AED trained every two years. Are you? Follow up with your activity director (school administration) about this KSHSAA coach education requirement.

RULES MEETING REQUIREMENT

High School Head Coaches are required to complete an annual online rules meeting. This meeting will be available for completion between September 12 and October 16. The rules meeting is taken online using coach/sponsor login information provided to school activities directors.

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOLARS BOWL COACHES (KASBC)

A link to the Kansas Association of Scholars Bowl Coaches (KASBC) Website is posted on the KSHSAA Scholars Bowl Homepage. Additionally, there is a link to this year's KASBC Mailing including information for their Fall Coaches' Clinics being held on the following dates: September 9, 16, and 23. Great opportunity to network and learn! Those who attend one of the KASBC Coaches' Clinics will complete the KSHSAA Online Rules Meeting requirement for head coaches.

QUESTION SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT

A KSHSAA requirement for participating schools is the online submission of 35 questions for postseason competition. The deadline for online question submission is October 20. The question submission link is active; it may be accessed when logged-in on the KSHSAA site under "Activities – Scholars Bowl". For more information regarding this process, refer to pages 12-14 of the KSHSAA Scholars Bowl Manual. Schools not submitting the required questions to the KSHSAA will not be given a regional assignment unless a double entry fee is paid.

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 14 = Practice May Begin

Sept. 12 – Oct. 16 = Online Rules Meeting is accessible.

Oct. 3 = Submit Regional Scholars Bowl Entry Fee (Form ADM-WINTER) – **This is done by school administration.*

Oct. 16 = Earliest Possible Competition

Oct. 20 = Submit Online to KSHSAA: 35 Required Questions

Nov. 10-11 = Question Validation Committee @ KSHSAA

Dec. 24-28 = Winter Moratorium (No Practice or Competition)

Jan. 26 = Submit Regional Entry Form to Regional Tourney Mgr. (SB-1)

Feb. 1 = Regional Competition

Feb. 5 = Submit State Entry Form to State Tourney Mgr. (SB-2)

Feb. 10 = State Competition

Please notify Rod Garman at the KSHSAA by October 3 if your school is willing and able to host a Regional and/or State Scholars Bowl Competition for the 2023-24 School Year.

NUMBER OF SCHOLARS BOWL COMPETITIONS (KSHSAA RULE 51-2-3)

No student may participate in more than nine Scholars Bowl competitions per year, exclusive of regional and state. On those days when schooltime is used, only two competitions may start prior to 3 p.m. C.T.

NOTE: Each student is limited to eight scholars bowl competitions, except that should his or her school host a league or invitational tournament, then he or she may participate in nine scholars bowl competitions. If a school attempts to host a tournament and is unable to do so, it may appeal to the Executive Board for a waiver of this regulation to permit its students to enter nine scholars bowl competitions.

REGULAR SEASON COMPETITIONS

In person competitions during the regular season are highly recommended and preferred since the postseason competitions will be held in person. However, if necessary, schools may host virtual scholars bowl competitions during the regular season. An online competition format and procedures may be accessed on the KSHSAA Scholars Bowl Homepage at www.kshsaa.org. Virtual competitions do count towards a student's maximum of nine regular season competitions. Also, schools hosting a virtual competition may consider it an invitational tournament if several schools are participating.

POSTSEASON QUESTION VALIDATION COMMITTEE

The KASBC works with the KSHSAA to validate questions for the Regional and State competitions. Educators with Kansas curriculum content expertise spend two days (November 10-11) in Topeka reading, validating, sorting, and selecting questions for the rounds at the Regional and State competitions. Proofreading is especially important. If you are interested in serving, please notify the KASBC Question Validation Coordinator, Mary Beth Mattingly, at mbmattingly@gmail.com before October 1. Service to the Profession PDC Points may be received.

