



OKLAHOMA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

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TO: Academic Coach

FROM: Todd Goolsby, Assistant

RE: Academic Bowl Competition

DATE: September 24, 2020

- **The school listed with an asterisk in each seeding district is responsible for calling a meeting of all schools involved in that district. The meeting may be conducted by telephone. The meeting shall be held during the week of September 28 – October 2 for all classes.**
- At that meeting the academic coaches **will select the site** for the Academic Seeding District Tournament. This tournament will be held on Monday, October 12, 2020 for all classes.
- The academic questions will be shipped by FEDEX on Monday, October 5, 2020 to the principal of the school assigned to host the district seeding meeting. They will arrive in a white package from the OSSAA and will be labeled "**ACADEMIC BOWL DISTRICT SEEDING INFORMATION**". Open this package.
- Inside this package will be two separate envelopes. One will be a brown envelope with important information regarding the tournament, open this envelope immediately. The other will be a white envelope with the Academic Questions enclosed. **DO NOT** open the Academic Questions.
- If we have to add a late entry team to your district and have already shipped the questions and manager packet, then you will be responsible for making additional copies.
- If the tournament is held at a site other than the site of the seeding meeting, the selected tournament manager is responsible for securing the questions from the principal of the school that hosted the district seeding meeting.

QUESTIONS SHALL NOT BE OPENED UNTIL THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT!

**ONLY THE CHIEF JUDGES AND MODERATORS WORKING THE TOURNAMENT SHALL
OPEN THE QUESTIONS!!**

ALL QUESTIONS SHALL BE RETURNED AFTER THE TOURNAMENT IS COMPLETED!!



ACADEMIC BOWL COVID-19 GUIDELINES

To ensure safety of all, the OSSAA offers the following guidelines for the purpose of social distancing and contact tracing during the Fall 2020 Academic Bowl competition. The situation surrounding COVID-19 is fluid and adjustments may need to be made. Coaches and participants should adhere to all CDC, local health authority and school facility guidelines and restrictions.

- Masks/ face coverings are required for all participants at the site.
- Teams will be limited to essential personnel only. This will constitute a **total of 8 personnel**. This includes players **and** coaches. (*For example, 7 players and 1 coach, or 6 players and 2 coaches*).
- Teams will provide a roster upon arrival to the District competition site.
- No spectators will be allowed.
- No streaming will be allowed.
- If feasible, host sites are encouraged to utilize larger competition rooms.
- Host sites are encouraged to establish cleaning and sanitization protocols.
- An extra 10 minutes should be added between competitions to allow cleaning of the buzzer system, tables, and chairs between games.
- Teams are encouraged to supply their own paper and pencils.
- Temperature checks should be administered and the COVID-19 Athlete/Coach Monitoring Form should be filled out prior to leaving for competition.
- For the DISTRICT competition, the OSSAA recommends that officials (moderators and chief judge) simultaneously serve as scorekeeper and timekeeper thus limiting the head table to 2 individuals.

COVID-19 Athlete/Coach Monitoring Form

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TO: Academic Bowl Coaches
From: Todd Goolsby, Assistant
Re: 2020-2021 Academic Bowl Competition
Date: September 24, 2020

The remaining pairings and information sheet for the regional, area, and state will be posted on the OSSAA website. The address is www.ossaa.com. From the home page, click on non-athletics and then click on Academic Bowl. There will be no further correspondence from the OSSAA regarding future pairings.

If you are hosting a district, regional, and/or area tournament, please include an emergency contact number in your information that you send to participating schools. This should be a number for which schools can contact the host site on the day of the tournament in case of an emergency.

For a list of available judges and moderators for the playoff tournament, please contact Todd Goolsby at tgoalsby@ossaa.com. This list is to assist you in finding judges and moderators for your playoff tournament. If you have officials that you have trained yourself and are not on the list, that is fine. The list is **not meant** to be exclusive, but only to assist you if you need help.

Good luck with your Academic Bowl season.



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TO: Principal/Academic Coach

FROM: Todd Goolsby, Assistant

RE: Academic Bowl: Site Confirmation

DATE: September 24, 2020

If your school is selected to host a District Seeding Tournament or is listed to host a Regional or Area Academic Tournament, please complete and mail or fax (405-840-9559) the information sheet on the bottom of this page.

RETURN TO: Brooke Johnson
OSSAA
P.O. Box 14590
Oklahoma City OK 73113-0590

School Name

Site Manager

Street Address

City, Zip

E-mail

Tournament(s) Assigned

H.S. Principal/Supt. Signature

Academic Coach Signature

School Telephone Number

Classification

SEEDING DISTRICT

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The school listed with an asterisk in each district is responsible for calling a meeting of all schools involved in that district.
2. The district seeding tournament is to be held on Monday, October 12, 2020.
3. The seeding tournament is a round-robin tournament in which all teams **must participate**. All teams in Classes 4A, 3A, 2A, and A will advance to the regional tournament and all teams in Classes 6A and 5A will advance to the area tournament.
4. Questions for the seeding tournament will be provided by the OSSAA.
5. During the seeding tournament, each team will play a maximum of three games. In the event only two teams participate in the tournament, play the best two out of three games.
6. Moderators, chief judges, scorekeepers and timers will be provided by the schools participating in the seeding tournament.
7. The district seeding tournament should not be held during regular school hours unless ALL schools participating in the tournament agree.
8. During the week of September 28th through October 2nd, a meeting of the coaches assigned to a district seeding tournament shall be held. The meeting may be conducted by telephone. At that meeting the following items shall be decided:
 - A. Location and time of the tournament. (if the original location changes please notify us)
 - B. Selection of the tournament manager and contact information.
 - C. Availability of trained chief judges and moderators.
 - D. Drawing the bracket for the seeding tournament.
9. Each school participating in the district tournament will provide a timer or a scorekeeper to work the tournament. If the school attends a tournament without a trained student or adult volunteer, the team will forfeit that round. One person may perform either duty, but must be trained as timer and scorer.
- 10. The questions will be shipped by Fedex on Monday, October 5, 2020 to the principal of the school assigned to host the seeding district meeting. If the tournament is held at a site other than the site of the seeding meeting, the selected tournament manager is responsible for securing the questions from the principal of the school that hosted the seeding meeting.**
11. If your school has been selected as a site for the district seeding tournament, please return the site confirmation sheet to the OSSAA office **immediately** with the street address and person responsible for receiving the questions.
12. When the tournament is complete, the manager shall forward the results of the seeding tournament to the OSSAA office. The manager should also return all questions.
13. The results must be returned to the OSSAA office by Thursday, October 15, 2020.
14. Other information regarding the seeding district tournament can be found in the academic manual.

REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Regional Academic Bowl Tournaments will be held on Saturday, November 14, 2020 for Classes 4A, 3A, 2A and A.
2. The sites for the regional tournaments have been selected and are included in this mailing.
3. The pairings for each regional will be determined by the scoring averages achieved by each team in the seeding districts. If teams do not attend the regional tournament, their position on the bracket should be treated as a bye.
4. Four teams (champion, runner-up, third and fourth place finishers) will advance to the area tournament.
5. Each school participating in the regional tournament will provide a timer or a scorekeeper to work the tournament. If the school attends a tournament without a trained student or adult volunteer, the team will forfeit that round. One person may perform either duty, but must be trained as timer and scorer.
6. The brackets for the regional tournament will be released on November 2, 2020.
7. It is the responsibility of the regional tournament site manager to employ chief judges and moderators. They, as well as the site manager, will be paid \$50.00 for the tournament by the OSSAA. (See the tournament schedule on pages 13 and 14 of the Academic Manual.)

NOTE: If your school has been selected as a site for a regional tournament, you should begin making your plans now (See page 11 of the Academic Manual, Hosting a Tournament). Please return the site confirmation sheet to the OSSAA office with the street address and person responsible for receiving the questions and trophies.

8. Questions will be shipped via UPS on November 9, 2020
9. Return all regional results and questions to the OSSAA office by Wednesday, November 18, 2020.

AREA TOURNAMENTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Area Academic Bowl Tournament will be held on Saturday, January 16, 2021 for all classes.
2. The sites for the area tournaments have been selected and are included in this mailing.
3. Teams in Classes 4A 3A, 2A, and A will be seeded on the area tournament bracket based on their finishing place in the regional tournament. Teams in Classes 6A and 5A will be seeded on the area bracket based on their performance in the district seeding tournament.
4. Two teams will advance to the state tournament from each area tournament.
5. Each school participating in the area tournament will provide a timer or a scorekeeper to work the tournament. If the school attends a tournament without a trained student or adult volunteer, the team will forfeit that round. One person may perform either duty, but must be trained as timer and scorer.
6. The brackets for the area tournament will be released on November 24, 2020.
7. It is the responsibility of the area tournament site manager to employ chief judges and moderators. They, as well as the site manager, will be paid \$50.00 for the tournament by the OSSAA. (See the tournament schedule on page 15 of the Academic Manual.)

NOTE: If your school has been selected as a site for an area tournament, you should begin making your plans now (See page 11 of the Academic Manual, Hosting a Tournament). Please return the site confirmation sheet to the OSSAA office with the street address and person responsible for receiving the questions and trophies.

8. Questions will be shipped via UPS on January 11, 2021.
9. Return all area results and questions to the OSSAA office by Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

STATE TOURNAMENT

1. The State Academic Tournament will be held on Saturday, February 6, 2021.
2. The state tournament will be held at Redlands Community College in El Reno, Oklahoma.
3. Each school participating in the state tournament will provide a timer or a scorekeeper to work the tournament. If the school attends a tournament without a trained student or adult volunteer, the team will forfeit that round. One person may perform either duty, but must be trained as timer and scorer.

SPORTSMANSHIP

The OSSAA's vision for sportsmanship is built on expectations. Expectations that the school community—administrators, teachers, coaches, students, and patrons strive for displaying only positive behavior and good sportsmanship in everything they do at all interscholastic contests.

As educators we have the unique opportunity to teach the value of discipline, dignity, integrity, fairness and respect to young people each day.

We encourage all school personnel to take advantage of the opportunity and make a lasting difference.



What about bad weather?

Postponing the tournament will be made much easier if a plan is made in advance!!!

1. Have the tournament later in the day, after the roads have cleared.
2. Have the tournament on Sunday afternoon.
Begin at 1:30 p.m. or 2:00 p.m.
3. Have the tournament on Monday afternoon, beginning no earlier than 1:00 p.m.
4. Set up a phone relay in case the tournament must be postponed. Communicate with the schools and officials beforehand.
5. Postpone ONLY if it is absolutely, positively necessary!!!!

ACADEMIC PAIRINGS

CLASS 5A

SEEDING DISTRICT #1

- * 1. **El Reno**
(pking@elrenops.org)
- 2. Guymon
- 3. Piedmont

SEEDING DISTRICT #2

- * 1. **Bishop McGuinness**
(ngoff@bmchs.org)
- 2. Guthrie
- 3. Noble

AREA I TOURNAMENT SITE

Manager - Christopher Burdine

(Districts 1 & 2)

El Reno

Email – cburdine@elrenops.org

SEEDING DISTRICT #3

- * 1. **Eisenhower**
(raymond.scott@lawtonps.org)
- 2. Altus
- 3. MacArthur

SEEDING DISTRICT #4

- * 1. **Ardmore**
(sbivens@ardmoreschools.org)
- 2. Duncan
- 3. Durant

AREA II TOURNAMENT SITE

Manager - Raymond Scott

(Districts 3 & 4)

Eisenhower

Email – raymond.scott@lawtonps.org

SEEDING DISTRICT #5

- * 1. **Shawnee**
(sbartley@shawnee.k12.ok.us)
- 2. Carl Albert
- 3. McAlester

SEEDING DISTRICT #6

- * 1. **Sapulpa**
(rbraswell@sapulpa.org)
- 2. Glenpool
- 3. Edison Prep

AREA III TOURNAMENT SITE

Manager - Brooke Beasley

(Districts 5 & 6)

Carl Albert

Email – bbeasley@mid-del.net

SEEDING DISTRICT #7

- * 1. **Bishop Kelley**
(mbendel@bishopkelley.org)
- 2. East Central
- 3. Collinsville
- 4. Nathan Hale

SEEDING DISTRICT #8

- * 1. **Coweta**
(les.kern@cowetaps.org)
- 2. Memorial (Tulsa)
- 3. Claremore
- 4. Tahlequah

AREA IV TOURNAMENT SITE

Manager - Jeana Sutton

(Districts 7 & 8)

Bishop Kelley

Email – jsutton@bishopkelley.org

* - Schools in bold and listed with emails in **red** are responsible for calling a meeting to decide District site.

Please notify the OSSAA prior to the District Seeding Tournament if the school designated with an asterisk changes. Otherwise questions will be sent to these schools.