

TO: Academic Coach

FROM: Todd Goolsby, Assistant Director RE: Academic Bowl - Area Assignment

DATE: November 24, 2020

Congratulations to your academic team for advancing to the 2021 Area Academic Bowl Tournament! Enclosed you will find the tournament bracket. The area tournament will be held on Saturday, January 16, 2021, for all classes.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL SCHOOLS

- A. Teams in Classes 4A, 3A, 2A, and A were seeded on the area tournament bracket based on their finishing place in the regional tournaments. Classes 6A and 5A were seeded on the area tournament bracket based on the scoring averages achieved by each team in the district seeding tournaments.
- B. Champion and runner-up teams will advance to the state tournament from each area tournament.
- C. Each school participating in the area tournament will provide a timer or a scorekeeper to work the tournament. If your school attends the tournament without a trained student or adult volunteer, the team will forfeit that round.
- D. A first place plaque will be awarded to the area champion.
- E. Refer to the 2020-2021 OSSAA Academic Bowl Competition manual for further information.
- F. If your team advances to the state tournament, please email a copy of your roster and a 300 dpi photograph to Rod.coulter@vype.com no later than Friday, January 22, 2021.
- G. The State Academic Bowl Tournament will be held on Saturday, February 6, 2021, at Rose State College in Midwest City.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION - HOST SCHOOLS

- A. 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.
- B. Questions will be shipped via UPS on Monday, January 11, 2021. <u>DO NOT</u> open questions until the day of the tournament.
- C. Please email or fax (405-840-9559) the result sheet and score sheets immediately after the competition. Mail the area results, team records, and questions to the OSSAA office by Tuesday, January 19, 2021. Please have your judges, moderators, and site managers address the enclosed envelopes and return along with the claim form for payment.

NOTE: If the tournament manager changes the time schedule from what is shown on the bracket, he or she must have written confirmation from all schools involved concerning the time change.

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 Rose State College in Midwest City, 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.

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 and Spring 2021 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 (i.e. shields) are required for all participants at the site.
- Teams will be limited to essential personnel only. This will constitute a **total of 10 personnel**. This includes players **and** coaches. (*For example*, 9 players and 1 coach, or 8 players and 2 coaches).
- If allowed by the host site, a maximum of two spectators **per active** player may be allowed. **Mask/Face Coverings (i.e. shields) are required.**
- Host sites are encouraged to utilize larger competition rooms as circumstances allow.
 - o Gymnasiums, Cafeterias, Band Rooms, Auditoriums, etc.
- 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.
- The COVID-19 Athlete/Coach Monitoring From should be filled out and available for review upon request.
- For the Area 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

		Circle Yes/No below										
Name	Time	Fever		Cough		Sore Throat		Shortness of Breath		Close contact, or cared for someone with COVID-19		Temp (if higher than 100.3°F)
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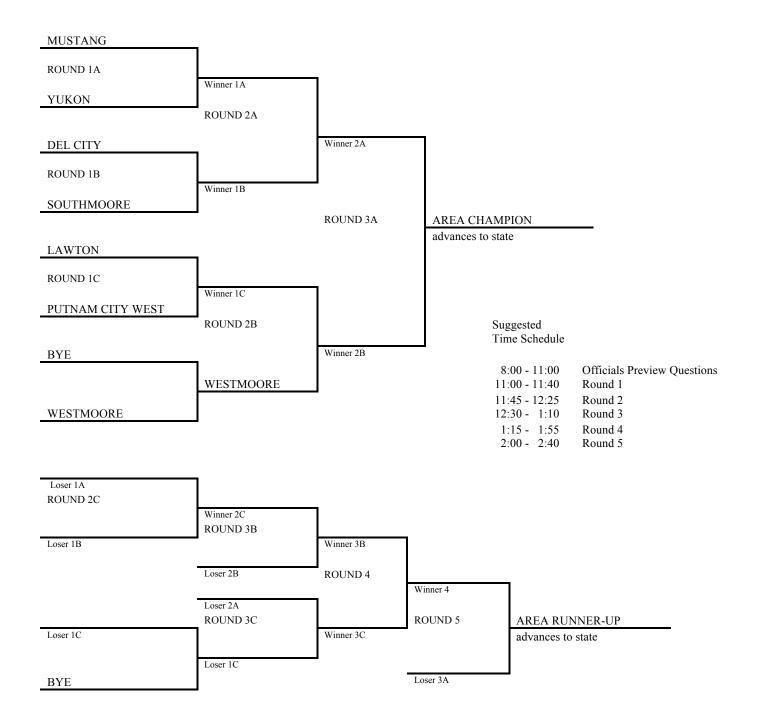
What about bad weather?

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!!!!

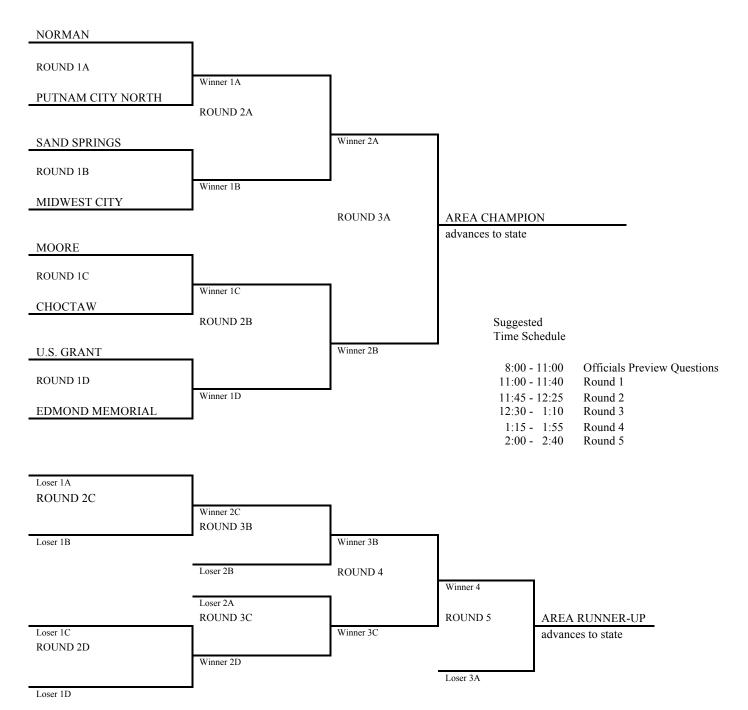
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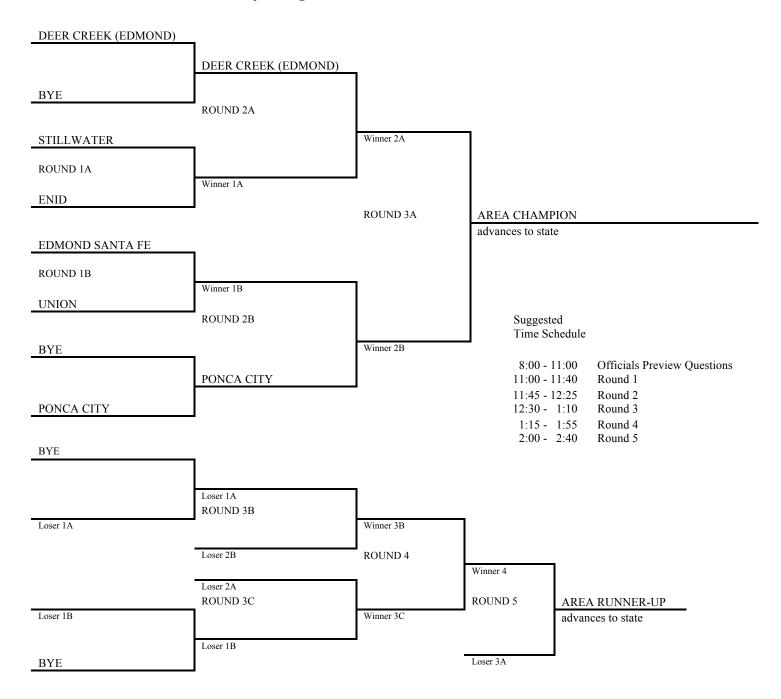
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AREA IV AT JENKS

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