

# Quiz Bowl Rules and Reminders

- Remember to provide someone to serve as either a timekeeper or scorekeeper for each match. Those people need to be of at least high school age. Parents are usually a good resource.
- Answers to questions must be given immediately during the BUZZ Round questions. A member from the opposing team may buzz after an incorrect response, *should there be time remaining on the clock and when recognized*, immediately providing an answer.
- A team shall be permitted no more than two challenges per match. **The challenge can only be made by one of the four participating team members.** A challenge must occur before the next question is read.
- Remember to answer each and every question. There is no penalty for wrong answers and points do count.
- **Remember to silence your cell phones during the meets as it is very distracting to players.**
- Coaches please have your team members clean up after the last match. Help put away buzzer systems, and clean up any papers and trash. The buzzer systems cost almost \$600 each so please make sure when you do put away the systems in the carrying boxes, all wires are contained within the box and not sticking out when you close the lid.
- The reader's decision is final within the room. In order to conduct the matches in a timely manner, we cannot entertain answers that may be correct if we did an internet search. Readers must stick to the answers that were agreed upon before each match in order to be as fair and consistent to all as possible. The readers meet prior to the match to review and edit the questions at length before each meet in a concerted effort to be as clear and fair as possible with both wording and answer accuracy. Please be respectful of their time, expertise and efforts.
- Snacks are usually available to purchase. Please make sure team members throw away all trash when leaving your table.
- The first two meets are practice rounds essentially. All matches in the tournament rounds count. The team winning the first place trophy will be the team with the most "wins" during the tournament rounds of play. A trophy will also be given to the second and third place teams. If there is a tie in the number of rounds won it will then come down to points won during the tournament rounds. All team members will receive a participation ribbon.
- Results will be posted on the Allen County ESC website ( [www.allencountyesc.org](http://www.allencountyesc.org) ) under "Student Offerings" and the Academic Quiz Bowl link. (usually by the end of the next day)
- Coaches, please keep your folders with you and bring them back each week. You may copy the score sheets for your own use as needed.
- A valuable part of the quiz bowl experience is learning good sportsmanship and how to be a team player. Your team's conduct reflects upon your school. We need to accept both victory and defeat graciously.

***Good luck to all!***

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