

Central Texas Area Policies - revised 7-9-2011

GENERAL GUIDELINES

District Finals is an Open Tournament. Any North Texas District team wishing to, may attend.

Area registration fees: \$20.00 per team for awards and other incentives. Fees are payable to Area Coordinator by September 30th to allow time for purchases.

League meets are on Saturdays, dates & locations to be determined at the Area's local church coordinator's meeting held in July/August prior to the pre-season meet.

Each church will need to bring at least one quiz box for every two teams they bring.

Each team will need to bring two trained officials. If a church has more than one team, they will need to bring at least one quizmaster for every two teams they bring.

At check-in, the church coordinator will need to identify the Quizmaster(s) they have brought. Quizmasters are assigned to a room. The officials (Timekeeper, Scorekeeper & Judges will travel with their team, filling the officials' spots as needed.

Quizmaster & other officials must have passed one of the officials test prior to first meet.

- Team, Officials and Buzz Box Check-in begins at 8:45 AM.
- Officials' meeting at 9:15 AM
- General Assembly begins at 9:10 AM
- Quizzing will begin at 9:30 AM.

Discoverer: Kindergarten - 2nd grade 10 points only

Searcher: 2nd- 4th grade 10 & 20 points

Achiever: 1st - 6th grade* All points

*Recommended for 4th - 6th grades, lower grades are acceptable at coach's discretion.

Discoverer, Searcher, Achiever level may be split into A & B divisions, A being the upper and B being the lower division. The teams are placed into their divisions after the pre-season meet.

A quizzer who achieves Individual high scorers 1st, 2nd or 3rd place shall move up a division the following year.

Exceptions to the above can be discussed with the Area Coordinator to make final decision.

If you have multiple teams, quizzers are expected to stay on one team from meet to meet. If you need to combine teams for one of the meets (or for the rest of the year in the middle of the season), make sure that the area coordinator is notified and approves the change **prior** to the league meet.

The meets will be a regular round robin format.

QUESTION DIVISIONS PER MEET

Question sets will be divided into **thirds** for each meet as follows with the January and February meets covering **all** questions:

We will use a rotating schedule that repeats every three years.

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September and October:

	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
10 points:	193 - 288	1 - 96	97 - 192
20 Points	417 - 480	289 - 352	353 - 416
30 Points	545 - 576	481 - 512	513 - 544

November:

	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
10 points:	193 - 288; 1 - 96	1 - 192	97 - 288
20 Points:	417 - 480; 289 - 352	289 - 416	353 - 480
30 Points:	545 - 576; 481 - 512	481 - 544	513 - 576

January and February meets:

10 points:	1 - 288
20 Points:	289 - 480
30 Points:	481 - 576

AWARDS

The cumulative Win/Loss record at the close of the February meet will determine the end-of-season trophy awards. Cumulative Points will break ties.

Awards will be given at each meet, except the pre-season meet, for the following categories:

- First time to ever buzz in
- First time to ever interrupt
- First time to ever Quiz Out
- First time to ever answer a Quotation Question
- Quizzers who Quiz-Out in every match of the day.
- JBQ Attitude award
- Question of the Day, or similar at the Quizmaster's discretion.

At each meet, the following will be acknowledged.

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd placed teams of the day.
- Top ten quizzers of the day.

At each meet, except the pre-season meet, the following will be acknowledged and awarded.

- Quizzers earning their seals
- Parents/Adults earning their seals
- Officials earning their Circle of the Sword levels

In February, awards will be awarded as follows:

- Based on season cumulative Win/Loss record, with cumulative score being a tiebreaker, 1st, 2nd, 3rd place trophies and participant medallions will be awarded to each team member per Division (provided teams have paid all Area & District fees by December 30th.).
- Based on season cumulative points, 1st, 2nd & 3rd place trophies will be awarded to the top three overall Individual high scorers per Division.

OFFICIALS

Officials are to set a Christian example for the quizzers in word, action, expression, and in attire. It is not our position to exclude, however, it is our position to establish certain guidelines for our officials and our expectations.

Officials are to SMILE, encourage the quizzers, help them to relax, and keep the matches moving. JBQ should be fun for everyone.

Please dress appropriately... Business casual is preferred... jeans are acceptable.

- All Quizmasters should have passed one of the officials Test for Area League meets. Confirmation of passing test must be turned in to the Area Coordinator by the first meet in October. In order to officiate at District, you will need to be certified via the Minnesota tests on line at <http://www.bqtest.org> or the Kentucky test online at <http://www.kyjbq.com/test-start.php>
- Other officials need only to take the Texas tests for area league meets; however, in order to officiate at District, you too will need to be certified via the Minnesota or Kentucky test.

Central Texas Area Officials are strongly encouraged to earn their Seals and participate in the North Texas District JBQ Officials Certification Program, "Circle of the Sword", earning their "Circle of the Sword" medallions. http://northtexasjbq.org/circle_of_sword.htm

Quizmasters will be assigned to their room for the duration of the meet. Other officials will travel with their team, filling in the official's positions as necessary.

Any official with visible body piercing (other than women's earrings) will be asked to remove the jewelry for the duration of the meet while performing their duties. It is not the Area Coordinator's position to debate right or wrong, however it is our position to establish guidelines and policies. Your cooperation is appreciated. **Church coordinators should address this issue, if applicable, with their officials PRIOR to coming to the meet.**