

Denton/Sherman Area Policies revised 8/2011

General Guidelines

- Area registration fees: \$30.00 per team for ribbons and other incentives. Fees are payable to Area Coordinator by September 17th 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 August prior to the pre-season meet.
- Team, Officials and Buzz Box Check-in begins at 8:20 AM.
 - Each team will need to bring two trained officials. If a church has more than one team, 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) and EzScore Keepers they have brought. Quizmasters will be assigned to a quizzing room. The officials (Timekeeper, Scorekeeper & Judges will travel with their team, filling the officials spots as needed.
 - Quizmaster & other officials must have passed the Kentucky test prior to first official meet.
- Officials' meeting at 8:35 AM (Preseason)
- General Assembly begins at 9:00 AM
- Quizzing will begin at 9:10 AM.
- The teams are placed into their divisions after the pre-season meet.
 - PeeWee Quizzers who are Pre-K, K and 1st (1st grade depending on Maturity level) 10 points only (1-144)
 - Discover A Quizzers who have quizzed 1 year 10 points only
 - Discover B Quizzers who have never quizzed. 10 points only
 - Searcher: 2nd- 6th grade 10 & 20 points
 - Achiever: 1st – 6th grade* All points

*Recommended for 4th – 6th grades, lower grades are acceptable at coach's discretion. Searcher and Achiever level may be split into A & B divisions, A being the upper and B being the lower division.

*A quizzier is only allowed to be in a division for two seasons. They must move to the next division after two seasons.

Area Coordinator to make final decision and the number of teams available.

- 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 the Wednesday prior to the league meet.
- Question sets will be divided into thirds for each meet as follows with the January and February meets covering all questions:

September and October

	<u>PeeWee</u>	<u>Discover</u>	<u>Searcher</u>	<u>Achiever</u>
10 Points	1-48	1-96	ALL	ALL
20 Points			289-353	ALL
30 Points				481-518

November

	<u>PeeWee</u>	<u>Discover</u>	<u>Searcher</u>	<u>Achiever</u>
10 Points	1-96	1-192	ALL	ALL
20 Points			289-417	ALL
30 Points				481-545

January and February

	<u>PeeWee</u>	<u>Discover</u>	<u>Searcher</u>	<u>Achiever</u>
10 Points	1-144	1-288	ALL	ALL
20 Points			ALL	ALL
30 Points				ALL

The February meet will be a regular round robin format. At this time if you would like to move your team to a different level Area Coordinator needs to know 1 week prior to the match.

- The cumulative Win/Loss record at the close of the January meet (Oct., Nov. & Jan.) will determine the end-of-season trophy awards. All points will determine Millennium Club.
- District is an Open Tournament. Any North Texas District team wishing to attend may do so.

Awards

- 1st, through 10th place ribbons will be awarded to quizzers in each Division per meet.
- JBQ Attitude will be awarded to Top Quizzer in each Division.
- At each meet, the following will be acknowledged and awarded. **(Except for February Trophy Match)**
 - Quizzers earning their seals
 - Parents/Adults earning their seals
 - Officials earning their Circle of the Sword levels
- In February, Medallions and Trophies will be awarded as follows:
 - Based on cumulative Win/Loss record, with cumulative score being a tiebreaker, 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and Medallions will be given to all quizzers. 1st Place Team will also receive a Plaque. PeeWee division will receive Medallions and Certificates only.
 - Based on cumulative points, 1st through 10th place trophies will be awarded to the top overall Individual high scorers per Division. **(Except the PeeWee Division)**

Child Care at Area Meets

- Child care will be at each meet. Host church is responsible for providers.
- Child Care is \$5 per child and must be paid before you can drop off children.
- **NO child under the age of 5 (unless they are a quizzer) may be in quiz rooms.**

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.

- The Denton/Sherman League uses EzScore (an electronic scorekeeping system) in order to maintain accurate scores in a timely manner. Scorekeepers will need to be trained at the September and October match or they can go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s3-l7C9CIKo> to view the training video. Area Coordinator needs to be notified at check-in who is the EzScore keeper for each team.
- All Quizmasters should have passed the Kentucky Test for League meets. Confirmation of passing test must be turned in to the Area Coordinator by the first meet in October.
- Other officials need only to take the Kentucky tests for area league meets.
- Denton/Sherman 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
- Officials are to SMILE, encourage the quizzers, help them to relax, and keep the matches moving. JBQ should be fun for everyone. **NEVER BE NEGATIVE!**
- Quizmasters will be assigned to their room for the duration of the meet. Other officials will travel with their team, filling in the officials positions as necessary.
- Please dress appropriately jeans are acceptable.
- Any official with offensive tattoos is asked to cover those before each meet with clothing. Any 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.**

OTHER LINKS

- [Denton/Sherman Area Junior Bible Quiz](#) All the current information from North Texas! Registration links, upcoming invitational's, officials tests, and more.
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- [National Junior Bible Quiz](#) This is the official national website for the National Junior Bible Quiz ministry. Purchase JBQ materials and learn about the Bible Master Program. Please download a updated copy of the Official JBQ Guidelines at this same website.
- [National JBQ Festival](#) Want to find out where your favorite team ended up at National Finals? Planning on attending the festival next year? This is the place to get all the info.
- [Bible Master Award Program](#) As your quizzers learn the material from the Fact-Pak, make sure you test them so they can earn their Seals.
- [JBQ.org](#) Links to just about everything JBQ!

Junior Bible Quiz Resources

- [Purchase JBQ Materials](#) Get your official Fact-Pak here! And audio CD's, and your coach's manual, and the Official Guidelines, and the Bible Master certificates, and...
- [Bible Master Award Pins](#) Award your quizzers who have earned one of the Seals with a pin they can wear on their team shirt.
- [Score sheet for meets](#) Download this score sheet and print as many copies as you need.

- [JBQ Discussion Group](#) Join this online discussion group and get all your questions answered by the best JBQ minds in the country!
- [Officials Kentucky Test](#) This online test provides an excellent way to train and certify your JBQ officials so that they do their best.