

Kansas Association of Scholars Bowl Coaches



August 1, 2022

Dear Scholars' Bowl Coach:

As we start this school year, we need to work together for our students to make this a fantastic year. We are hoping for a full season without major disruptions.

For me, part of being a better coach is being involved in the Kansas Association of Scholars Bowl Coaches (KASBC). KSHSAA and the Association work closely together. They listen to us and we listen to them. You are likely already aware of all the tangible reasons to join our organization: access to released KSHSAA state and regional questions for use in team practices; reduced rates at coaches' clinics, participation at which eliminates the requirement to take the coaches' test; and a potential role at question validation. Today, I invite you to join the KASBC because, in addition to such practical benefits, coaching is about relationships, both with our students and with each other.

Please join us in working together to build these connections for our kids' and our association. Send in your membership form, follow us on Facebook, contact your classification representative with questions and suggestions, attend a coaches' clinic, and volunteer to work question validation. Together, we can build a incredible experience for our kids.

Sincerely yours,

Bert Lewis

Roberta M. Lewis "Bert"
KASBC President

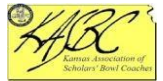
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New Mailing Address

Because our treasurer changed schools, our mailing address has changed.

Send Payments and correspondence to:

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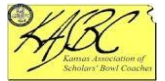
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PO Box 201

Kiowa, KS 67070

Registration form is online this year at

<https://bit.ly/KASBC22-23Reg>



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Your Participation Matters!

We all know that hosting can be stressful. Because of this, the KASBC is working to extend its support of new tournaments and new tournament hosts. The KASBC should be the first place that coaches looking to host for the first time seek assistance. We are here for you!

Another issue that was a source of concern on our most recent survey was the **electronic devices rule**. We are looking into modifications for this next year, watch for updates. The key issue here is consistency, and we hope that these changes help to provide that.

In addition to making these changes, our board has also committed itself to further studying issues that were addressed on the surveys. We're looking at ways to host and hold the regional and state tournaments this year. Recent and continuing events have created new challenges, which we hope to address. More generally, we hope to continue to develop ways to encourage consistency in the way's tournaments are organized and rules are enforced. Please remember Invitational tournaments are just that invitational and can be run with modifications.

Your feedback in this process is vital. Coaches are, and always have been, the driving force in Scholars Bowl in Kansas. For this reason, we also encourage you to double-down on your efforts to write and **submit high-quality questions for validation**. While KSHSAA receives thousands and thousands of questions each year, many (unfortunately!) must be thrown out as committees of coaches work through the stacks of questions. While we believe that we have seen an increase in the quality of the questions since the process went digital, it is vital that we all remember that the questions that appear in the rounds are a direct reflection of what is submitted.

Scholars Bowl in Kansas is unique because it is largely coach driven. It is a direction reflection of our work in the classroom, at the tournaments we host and attend, and at KSHSAA where we continue to lobby for improvements. This isn't always pretty, but working together, we have built something remarkable. **Thank you for your continued support in this process!**

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Registration Form

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This form is for ALL your registration needs for KASBC this year.

KASBC 2022 Coaches' Clinics

September 17, 2022 9:00-1:00

Pratt HS (New Location) 400 S. Hamilton, Pratt, KS 67124 (620) 501-3121 e-mail: paulw@southbarber.com

DeSoto HS 35000 W 91st Street, DeSoto, KS 66018 Ph: (402)681-9744 e-mail: prhamilton@usd232.org

September 24, 2022 9:00-1:00

Fort Scott HS 1005 S Main, Fort Scott, KS 66701 Ph: (620)223-0600 e-mail: blewis@usd234.org

Satanta HS 100 Caddo, Satanta, KS 67870 Ph: (620)649-2611 e-mail: rburrows@usd507.org

October 1, 2022 9:00-1:00

Hays HS 2300 E 13th, Hays, KS 67601 Ph: (785)623-2600 e-mail: rburrows@usd507.org

These clinics are for ALL coaches, both new and experienced.

Snacks and Lunch included in registration!

BRING YOUR KSHSAA USER ID AND PASSWORD!

Sample Agenda Topics

KSHSAA Manual Rules and Concerns

Changes in the Rules

Feedback from 2021-22 Season

KSHSAA Rules Meeting

COVID Protocols

Writing Quality Questions

Hosting a Tournament

Advice/Guidance from Veteran Coaches

...and other topics

Door Prizes! (MUST be present to win)

Registrations for all clinics can be found on the Registration Link:

KASBC/KSHSAA Question Validation Volunteer

KASBC works very closely with KSHSAA Assistant Director, Rod Garman, in the development and validation of the questions for the Regional and State competitions. **A group of Scholars Bowl coaches with Kansas curriculum content expertise** spend two days reading, validating, sorting and selecting questions for the Regional and State competition rounds. Each coach works in only one content area so the confidentiality and integrity of the questions is maintained.

Twenty four people are needed to work Validation on Friday and Saturday, November 11 and 12, 2022. The Validation Committee will meet from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Friday and 8:30 until finished on Saturday at the KSHSAA building, 601 SW Commerce, Topeka, KS 66615. Coaches are selected on knowledge base, subject area, ability to work both days, and the timeliness of the return of this form indicating your interest. Proofreading is especially important in this process.

Participation in this activity counts as PDC points as "Service to the Profession." Contact your local PDC council to make this activity part of your plan and request professional leave to participate in this activity.

KSHSAA reimburses mileage, hotel stay and meals. Details will follow to those individuals who volunteer and are selected to serve. If you are interested, fill out the registration form linked above no later than **15 September 2022**.