

DMS Scholar's Bowl Team 2020-21



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I, _____ agree to attend at least one scheduled practice per week and
(student signature)

the tournaments as listed below in exchange for the opportunity of being a Scholar's Bowl team member. I understand that this is a team event and all members are needed if the team is to be successful. I will also learn the ASCA rules and DMS Scholar's Bowl Code of Conduct and follow these to as I participate in practice and tournaments.

Mandatory Practice will begin on November 5. Practices are held on Monday/Tuesday (TBD by team vote) and Thursday (7th/8th grade) and Monday/Tuesday (TBD by team vote) (6th grade) after school from 3:25-5:00 PM. Participation in both practices each week is encouraged. Attendance at one session per week is required.

Tournaments - The district sponsored tournaments are scheduled as follows:

February 27	District tournament	Area School, to be announced
April 17	State tournament	Hoover High School

Additional invitational tournaments will be added as they are announced by the sponsoring schools. Information is posted via the Scholar's Bowl Team Schoology class. Members will be provided the code upon submission of the commitment form at dues. Parents should sign-up for Schoology parent access to ensure receipt of team messages.

The cost for team participation is \$25 to cover the district/state fees and supplies. Please include a check with this form. If a student took a Scholar's Bowl class during fall semester and paid the \$25 fee, then dues are not required. Please indicate if the fee was paid at the end of this form. Remember to include a driver's license number and phone number on all checks. Cost for the invitational tournaments is paid by the students who participate. Invitational tournament costs are typically \$10-\$15 per student. Please provide the dues with this signed commitment form if you did not pay the fees with a Scholar's Bowl class. If you feel that you will not be able to participate due to financial considerations, please contact Mr. Sippel (7/8) or Ms. Baragona (6).

Transportation to tournaments is the responsibility of the parent. Due to the relatively small size of our team, bus transportation is not cost effective. Please make arrangements with another team parent if you would like to carpool.

Purchase and use of question sets for practice outside of regular team practices is prohibited unless approved by the coach. Please do not use any question sets found on the internet either. It is highly disruptive to the effectiveness of practice if some team members have already used a question set. If students or parents want extra sets to practice with outside of class or team practice please contact the coach so that we can coordinate our efforts.

Please understand that Scholar's bowl is a competitive team event. All students may participate in the Fun tournament and any of the invitational tournaments. However, we are limited to a 6 member team for the MS district and state tournaments (7th/ 8th only). Students will be chosen for the district and state teams based upon participation and performance statistics in practice, the Fun tournament and the invitational tournaments.

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6th grade students and any 5th grade team members zoned for Discovery may attend the "Elementary School Open" state tournament for 5/6 on the same day as the MS state tournament. The 6 member team will be chosen based upon participation and performance statistics throughout the season.

National Tournament – Participation of the 7/8th team in the National Tournament will be at the discretion of the coach and administration based upon competitiveness and teamwork factors. Should we qualify for and choose to attend the NAQT National Championship Tournament in Chicago, all students attending will be required to have a legal guardian accompany them. The team will be chosen based upon performance and participation using the same criteria as the state team. Team members, guardians and coaches will be required to travel together with the team as arranged by the coach. National Championship team members will have additional practice expectations to ensure competitiveness at the tournament.

Parents, please sign indicating your acknowledgement of the commitments for Scholar's Bowl participation.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Has the class registration fee of \$25 for either the 1st or 2nd term Scholar's Bowl class already been paid?

Yes / No (circle answer). If no, please include a check.