

Welcome to Knowledge Bowl!

Dear Potential Knowledge Bowl Student and/or Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for expressing an interest in or supporting your student's interest in Knowledge Bowl. Skyridge has a long and proud tradition of excellence in this activity. With your help and support, we hope to continue our run. This welcome letter offers a quick review of the activity and the logistics of practices, meets, and eligibility.

Knowledge Bowl is like a team Jeopardy competition. Each team is made up of 4 - 6 members, with each school typically fielding several teams they bring to each competition. Skyridge competes against neighboring schools in the Evergreen School District to see who can answer the most trivia questions in math, science, history, English, and social studies. During each competition, teams compete in a written round (45 multiple-choice questions) and two oral rounds (45 questions each). The winning team is based on the total number of questions answered correctly in all three rounds.

This year the season will run from mid February through to the end of March. All practices will be held at Skyridge in room 226. Practices run from 3:00 to approximately 4:00. Students are expected to report after school to a study session in the practice room; they will be monitored there until practice begins. We practice Monday through Thursday until the meets begin in late February or early March. At that time, practices will be held only on Mondays and Wednesdays. *I will be out of town for a Camas School District function 02/27-02/29. Because of this, there will be no practice on Wednesday, 02/27. Wednesday, March 12th, is our scheduled day for pictures. This typically takes up most of our practice time, so students are free to go after the picture process is complete.*

As for competition, meets are most always held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The meets usually begin about 3:15-3:30. Home meets usually end between 5:00 and 5:30 P.M. On away meets, students should expect to be returning to Skyridge around 5:30 P.M., give or take 15-30 minutes or so on either side. Our final meet of the year, a multi school tournament, always lasts longer than regular meets. Students should expect to be involved in this meet until 7:00 or even 8:00 P.M. If we are ever late in arriving back to Skyridge due to unforeseeable circumstances, students will have access to a cell phone to make calls. Please discuss your expectation with your student about the level of communication you want from them. I'll do my part on this end to encourage them to live up to that.

Students interested in signing up for Knowledge Bowl should see Mrs. Button in January about their eligibility status. For the sake of clarification, here are the requirements students must meet to be eligible:

1. Students must fulfill all the requirements necessary to participate in athletics, except for the physical. This includes the participation permission form and the emergency medical form.
2. Since this is a school function, students are required to purchase an ASB card prior to the first meet.
3. Participating students must be either 6th, 7th or 8th grade students.
4. Students must attend practices unless they have a prearranged excuse. Please notify Mr. Greene in advance of an absence if at all possible.
5. Students must commit to making it to the practices on a regular basis and, most importantly, attend each meet. The team is counting on your consistent participation.

If you have any comments or questions about Knowledge Bowl, please don't hesitate to contact me at school via phone or email. Thanks again for your support and interest.

Sincerely,

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Parent support at meets is highly encouraged and welcome. If you'd be interested in possibly helping as a reader, timer, or with set up of refreshments at home meets, please contact me. Your support is greatly appreciated. For driving directions to away meets, please contact the Skyridge Athletics Office.

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KNOWLEDGE BOWL SCHEDULE 2007-08

TUES, 2/19	First day of practice!	
TUES, 2/26	SHAHALA, PACIFIC LIBERTY, COVINGTON WY'EAST	@ CASCADE @ SKYRIDGE @ FRONTIER
TUES, 3/4	CASCADE, WY'EAST SKYRIDGE, FRONTIER LIBERTY	@ PACIFIC @ SHAHALA @ COVINGTON
THURS, 3/6	CASCADE, COVINGTON PACIFIC, LIBERTY SHAHALA	@ FRONTIER @ WY'EAST @ SKYRIDGE
TUES, 3/11	SHAHALA, WY'EAST PACIFIC, FRONTIER SKYRIDGE	@ COVINGTON @ LIBERTY @ CASCADE
THURS, 3/13	CASCADE, COVINGTON WY'EAST, LIBERTY PACIFIC	@ FRONTIER @ SHAHALA @ SKYRIDGE
TUES, 3/18	LIBERTY, SHAHALA SKYRIDGE, PACIFIC FRONTIER	@ CASCADE @ WY'EAST @ COVINGTON
THURS, 3/20	CASCADE, SKYRIDGE FRONTIER, COVINGTON WY'EAST	@ LIBERTY @ PACIFIC @ SHAHALA
THURS, 3/27	DISTRICT TOURNAMENT	@ WY'EAST

STUDENT NAME: _____ **THIS IS DUE:** _____

"I have read the Knowledge Bowl intro letter and understand the guidelines, policies, responsibilities, and standards for this activity."

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Day Phone: _____

Parent E-mail: _____

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Student E-mail: _____

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