



# 2005 - 2006 Scholastic Bowl Series Terms and Conditions



(Current 10/23/05)

In accordance with Section 1.450 of the IHSA Constitution, the Terms and Conditions governing the IHSA Class A and AA Scholastic Bowl State Tournament Series have been approved by the Board of Directors.

## I. SCHOOL CLASSIFICATION

Competition in the IHSA Class A and Class AA Scholastic Bowl Tournament Series will be determined on an enrollment basis.

**A.** The classification of a school shall be determined on the basis of its total student enrollment figure reported to the Illinois State Board of Education in its Fall Housing Report on September 30 of the preceding school year. (Example: The total student enrollment figure included in the Fall Housing Report on September 30, 2004, shall be used for determining a school's classification during the 2005-06 school year.)

**B.** For classification purposes, the total student enrollments for one-year high schools, two-year high schools, three-year high schools and high schools which enroll boys only or girls only shall be calculated as follows:

1. For one-year high schools, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be quadrupled.
2. For two-year high schools, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be doubled.
3. For three-year high schools, one-third of the total student enrollment figure shall be added to the total student enrollment figure reported.
4. For schools which enroll boys only or girls only, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be doubled.

**C.** Schools participating in sports and activities operating under the two-class system shall be classified as follows:

1. Schools with enrollments of 735 and below will be Class A.
2. Schools with enrollments above 735 will be Class AA.
3. During the 2005-06 school term, the following sports and activities shall operate under this system: boys baseball, boys basketball, boys cross country, boys golf, boys soccer, boys track and field, boys wrestling, girls basketball, girls cross country, girls soccer, girls softball, girls track and field, girls volleyball, and Scholastic Bowl.

4. Classifications shall be determined on an annual basis.

**Note:** Classification is subject to change based on the results of amendment proposals that will be voted on by the membership in December.

## II. DATES AND SITES

**A. Seeding Meeting:** The seeding meeting will be hosted at the Sectional Tournament site or a Sub Sectional Site on Wednesday, February 8, 2006. Information regarding this meeting will be sent by the Local Sectional Manager in advance of this meeting.

**B. Regionals:** Class A and AA Regional tournaments will be held on Monday, March 6, 2006, at sites to be announced (2 from each Sub Sectional).

**C. Sectionals:** Class A and AA Sectional tournaments will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2006, at sites to be announced.

**D. State:** The Class A and Class AA State Final Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 18, 2006, at the Peoria Civic Center, Peoria, Illinois.

**E. Changes to Dates, Sites and Times:** No local manager is authorized to change the date or order of matches as determined and announced by the IHSA. Matches must be played as listed from top to bottom on the official pairings unless otherwise changed and approved by the Illinois High School Association.

## III. ON-LINE ENTRIES, WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURES, ELIGIBILITY, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND ON-LINE LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

The policy for Original Entry Deadlines, Late Entries, and Late Withdrawals shall be the policies and procedures regarding entry for all IHSA-sponsored sport/activities included in the 2005-2006 Entry Booklet.

**A. On-Line School Entries:** All member schools must enter their school into the State Scholastic Bowl competition through the IHSA School Center on the IHSA Website at [www.ihsa.org](http://www.ihsa.org) to compete at the Regional level. Do not confuse On-Line School Entries with entering your School's On-Line List of Participants. They are two different processes. On-Line School Entries are

used to enter your school into State Series Competition in order for IHSA to assign your school to a Regional Meet. The deadline for school entry is **November 1, 2005**. All member schools should have received, in the mail in April of 2005, a 2005-2006 Entry Booklet that outlined the On-Line entry procedures for all IHSA-sponsored tournaments.

The IHSA Board of Directors eliminated the entry fees for all sports and activities starting with the 2005-2006 school year.

### B. Late On-Line School Entries:

Any attempt to enter a sport or activity on-line after the established deadlines will be denied. Schools that wish to enter after the deadline will be considered late. To be considered for late entry, the Principal/Official Representative must contact the IHSA administrative officer in charge of that sport or activity. The penalty for late entry shall be a payment of \$100.00 for that sport/activity by the school.

### C. Breach of Contract By-law 6.041 (Withdrawal Procedure)

To withdraw without penalty, the Principal must send a signed letter to Tammy Craig at the IHSA Office, notifying IHSA of the school's withdrawal from Scholastic Bowl prior to the On-Line List of Participants deadline.

If a school withdraws after the Regional pairings are posted online, and/or does not show up for competition, the school will be charged a \$100 penalty. If applicable, the school may be charged for any additional financial loss sustained by the offended school(s) or the Association as a result of such breach.

**D. Eligibility:** Only students who are eligible in accordance with IHSA By-laws may participate in the IHSA Scholastic Bowl Tournament Series. A school may enter one (1) team in the IHSA Scholastic Bowl State Tournament Series. A maximum of fifteen (15) competitors will be allowed to participate for a school in the Regional, Sectional and/or State Final tournaments. Five (5) team members must start the match. A coach must designate one of the five participating players as captain.

**E. On-Line List of Participants:** All schools must submit their On-line List of Participants via the Internet through the IHSA Schools Center Web Site to the IHSA Office. Do not confuse the On-Line List of Participants with the On-Line School

**Entry, they are two different processes. The On-Line List of Participants must be received in the IHSA Office by noon on Wednesday, February 1, 2006.** Again, please note that all participating schools are **required** to submit their List of Participants on-line to the IHSA. Use this List of Participants as your team roster at all State Series Meets (designate the 15 students that will compete that day). If a school does not submit the On-line List of Participants by the deadline, coaches and participants from that school are **subject to sanctions**, which could include but not be limited to being ruled ineligible to compete in the State Series. Schools which do not submit their school's On-Line List of Participants and are consequently ruled ineligible for the State Final Series **must formally withdraw** (see Withdrawal Procedures/Breach of Contract above in section III-C). The On-Line List of Participants will provide space for each participating school to enter all its potential participants. Please list all of your participants on this form as well as your coaches. However, no more than fifteen (15) participants can participate at any one of the State Series Contests (Regional, Sectional, Finals). As stated earlier, coaches should bring a hard copy of their On-Line List of Participants to the Regional and Sectional Tournaments. This list will be used to identify the 15 students that will be eligible to participate that day. This list must be printed prior to the On-line List of Participant deadline. It is recommended that each school prints three copies (one for each level of the State Series). **The option to print will not be available after the On-Line List of Participant deadline.** Complete instructions for completing the On-Line List of Participants is located elsewhere in this manual.

**Confirmation:** Schools can login to their School Center site on the IHSA website and select Activity Tracker to verify that their On-Line List of Participants has been received by the IHSA Office.

**IHSA will utilize the name spellings and year in school data from the On-Line List of Participants submitted by each school entered into the State Series for publication in the State Final Program.** If you notice an error after the on-line deadline, please email ([cmitchell@ihsa.org](mailto:cmitchell@ihsa.org)) or contact Cheryl Mitchell at (309) 663-6377 at the IHSA Office.

#### IV. HOST FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

**A. Regional Host Allowance:** The host school shall pay all local tournament expenses and issue checks to tournament workers. The host school shall receive a \$200.00 guarantee plus the cost of the moderators, timers and scorers.

**B. Sectional Host Allowance:** The host school shall pay all local tournament expenses and issue checks to tournament workers. The host school shall receive a \$250.00 guarantee plus 40.00 for hosting a seeding meeting and reimbursement for the moderators, timers and scorers.

**C. Team Tournament Expense:** Neither the State Association nor local meet management will assume responsibility for any team expenses for any tournament.

**D. Admission Prices:** There shall be no admission price for the Regional, Sectional or State Final tournaments.

#### E. Rights Fees for TV and Radio:

1. Television Rights Fees to be charged by local managers and/or the IHSA are contained in the IHSA Television Policy.

2. Radio fees which shall be charged are:

a) Regional Tournament = No charge

b) Sectional Tournament = No charge

c) State Final = \$50.00

3. Policy regarding media requirements for each local manager is contained in the current News Media Directory.

#### V. TOURNAMENT ASSIGNMENTS AND SEED MEETINGS

**A. Assignment Structure:** All schools entered in the IHSA Class A and Class AA State Scholastic Bowl Tournament Series will be assigned to thirty-two (32) regionals and eight (8) Sectional tournaments for each class on a geographical basis by the IHSA Office.

#### B. Seeding Meeting:

1. The Sectional or Sub-Sectional Manager will conduct a Seeding Meeting Wednesday, February 8, 2006 for the purpose of seeding teams and determining the four (4) Regional host schools. The meeting shall be held after school hours. The time shall be designated by the Sectional or Sub-Sectional Manager. Sectional or Sub-Sectional Managers should take into consideration the travel time of competing schools when establishing this meeting time.

2. The Sectional or Sub-Sectional Manager should cover the following points of emphasis at the Seeding Meeting:

a) Matching tops are required.  
b) Name Plates (no nick names)

c) Sportsmanship (at all times)

d) Reminder to review the Scholastic Bowl School and Manager Manual

e) A team is required to have five (5) members to begin a match.

3. All teams in each Sectional (Sub-Sectional) will be seeded.

4. Before a seeding vote begins, each team's weighted winning percentage should be displayed. The weighted winning percentage is calculated in the following manner: (winning percentage) + (total number of matches ÷ 100). For example; 6 wins and 2 losses  $6/(6+2) + (6+2)/100 = .83$  compared to 25 wins and 15 losses  $25/(25+15) + (25+15)/100 = 1.025$  The following criteria should be applied when determining seeds:

a) Head to Head common opponent or record

b) Number of Matches Played

c) Win/Loss Record

d) Quality of Competition

e) Returning players

5. Each school's representative should bring a completed Team Record Report Form. They should also bring enough copies to distribute to each school in the sectional. These sheets will be used by coaches to guide their voting.

**6. Schools who are unable to send a representative to the Sectional Seeding Meeting and also fail to fax their completed Team Record Report Form to the Sectional host, will be subject to sanctions. If a school does not attend their assigned seeding meeting and fails to submit the Team Record Report by the deadline, coaches and participants from that school are subject to sanctions, which could include but not be limited to being ruled ineligible to compete in the State Series. Many teams were not allowed to participate in last year's tournament because coaches did not read this important document, and consequently failed to fulfill this obligation. Do not allow this to happen to your team. The coach must take care of this obligation. You must either attend the meeting or you must contact the host school (2 days prior to the meeting) and provide them with the required information.**

7. Each school's representative will have one (1) minute to present their case as to where their team should be seeded. This time may not be used to raise other issues, and this time may not be used to speak about other teams. Coaches may waive their time.

8. Coaches will then rank all of the teams in their Sectional/Sub-Sectional. Each coach will complete a ballot listing all teams from number 1 to ?. All ballots must be made public, and no school may vote for itself. The team with the fewest total points will be the number one (1) seed. Continue with this process until all teams are ranked.

9. Coaches should consider the following when voting: weighted winning percentage, head-to-head records, records against common opponents, placing in tournaments, and strength of schedule.

10. For purposes of seeding, no school should include its own "B" team's record on the Sectional Seeding Team Information Report sheet. If any matches were played against a "B" team, that should be noted on the Sectional Seeding Team Information Report sheet.

11. Once seeding has been established, the top two teams from each Sub Sectional will be given the first opportunity to host one of the four Regional tournaments (two from each Sub-Sectional). If one of the top four seeds is unwilling to host one of the four Regionals, the hosting opportunities will pass to the next highest seed until all teams are given an opportunity to host.

12. **Regionals that do not have a host will be cancelled.**

13. After the meeting, the Local Sectional Manager will send the Seeding Report Form to the IHSA. This form will be e-mailed to each local manager containing the names of the schools assigned to their Sub Sectional. The IHSA will assign each school into a Regional Tournament based on the top 4 seeds in each Sub-Sectional, and others by geography.

## VI. TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND TIME SCHEDULES

**A. Regional Pairings:** The bracketing and pairings of teams for each Regional will be completed in the IHSA Office on the basis of a combination of geography and seed. The pairing announcements will be posted on the IHSA web site.

**B. Sectional Pairings:** At the Sectional Tournament the Regional Winners will com-

pete in a pool play format. The teams will play three (3) matches. The team with the most wins will advance to the State Finals.

Both of the sub-sectionals will maintain two regional tournaments each. Sub-sectionals will be numbered 1 and 2. Regionals will be lettered A, B, C and D. Regionals A and C will contain the number 1 & 4 seeds from their respective sub-sectional. Regionals B & D will contain the number 2 & 3 seeds from their respective sub-sectional.

The sectional round robin component of the State Series will be assigned as follows:

- Round 1:** A vs. D  
B vs. C
- Round 2:** A vs. C  
B vs. D
- Round 3:** A vs. B  
C vs. D

As with all other bracketed tournaments, this format provides for the opportunity for the two regionals with the number 1 seeds to meet in the final round. However, as with all other sports/activities using Policy 18, there is no guarantee that the number 1 seeds from those regionals will advance to the sectional level of competition. It only provides for the opportunity for them to meet. Again, according to Policy 18, the only level of competition allowed to be seeded is the lowest level. In the case of Scholastic Bowl that means the regional level will be seeded, and it is not allowed to reseed at the sectional level (as Scholastic Bowl has essentially done in the past).

These changes in past practice are the result of implementing Policy 18. Implementation of Policy 18 came at the request of the Scholastic Bowl Advisory Committee and some member schools in the interest of breaking the Sectionals into Sub Sectionals.

1. If two teams are tied with identical records in a pool, the head-to-head result in pool play will break the tie, and determine advancement.

2. If three teams are tied with identical records in a pool, the total points scored in pool play will be used to break the tie, and determine advancement.

3. In the event that three teams are tied with identical records, and two of those three teams have identical total points scored in pool play, the head-to-head result in pool play will break the tie between those two teams, and determine advancement.

4. If three teams are tied with identical records in a pool, and all three teams have identical total points scored in pool play, the team with the larger number of toss-up questions answered correctly will break the tie, with the head-to-head result in pool play used to break any remaining ties.

5. If the above methods cannot break a tie between three teams, teams will be drawn by lot to determine advancement among tied teams.

**C. Regional Rounds:** Each Regional Tournament will consist of three (3) rounds of single-elimination matches. At some regionals additional preliminary rounds may be necessary depending on the number of teams assigned to the regional.

**D. Number of Rounds:** Each Sectional Tournament will consist of three (3) rounds of pool play.

**E. Recommended Time Schedule:** The following are the recommended Time Schedules for the Regional and Sectional tournaments. These schedules may be adjusted to meet the needs of the host school:

### Regional Time Schedule With A Preliminary Round (4 Round Regional)

No later than 3:00 pm	Moderators' meeting starts (may be adjusted later)
4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Coaches' Meeting
4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Preliminary Round
5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.	Round One
6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	Round Two
7:30 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.	Round Three
8:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Awards Ceremony

Rounds may begin earlier if both teams are ready.

### Regional Time Schedule With NO Preliminary Round (3 Round Regional)

No later than 3:00pm	Moderators' meeting starts (may be adjusted later)
4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Coaches' Meeting
4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Round One
5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.	Round Two
6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	Round Three
7:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Awards Ceremony

Rounds may begin earlier if both teams are ready.

### Class A and Class AA Sectional Time Schedule

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Moderators' Meeting
9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Coaches' Meeting
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Round One
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 a.m.	Round Two
12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	Break
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Round Three
2:00 p.m.	Awards Ceremony

Rounds may begin earlier if both teams are ready.

### Class A and Class AA State Final Time Schedule

8:00 a.m.	Schools may begin to Check-In
9:30 a.m.	Opening Ceremonies
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	First Round of Preliminary Pool Play
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Second Round of Preliminary Pool Play
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Break
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Third Round of Preliminary Pool Play
2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Championship and Consolation Rounds
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Awards Ceremony

**Class A and Class AA  
(Pairings Determined By Blind Draw)**

	<b>Pool 1</b>	<b>Pool 2</b>
<i>Round 1</i>	Team H vs. Team E Team C vs. Team A	Team B vs. Team F Team G vs. Team D
<i>Round 2</i>	Team H vs. Team A Team C vs. Team E	Team B vs. Team D Team G vs. Team F
<i>Round 3</i>	Team H vs. Team C Team E vs. Team A	Team B vs. Team G Team F vs. Team D
<i>Championship</i>	Pool #1 Winner vs. Pool #2 Winner	
<i>Consolation</i>	Pool #1 Runner-up vs. Pool #2 Runner-up	

**VII. ADVANCEMENT OF WINNERS**

**A. Regional to Sectional Advancement:** The winner from each Class A and Class AA Regional tournament will advance to compete in their respective Sectional.

**B. Sectional to State Advancement:** The winning team from each Class A and Class AA Sectional tournament will advance to compete in their respective Class State Final tournament. The winning teams from the eight (8) Class A and eight (8) Class AA Sectional tournaments will compete in the State Final tournament for first, second, third, and fourth places in their class.

1) Sectionals containing over 24 schools will be divided into two (2) Sub Sectionals. Each Sub Sectional will comprise (2) Regionals.

**C. State Final Format:**

1. Eight (8) teams from Class A and Class AA will compete in Pool Play at the State Finals. The eight (8) teams in each class will be divided by blind draw into two separate pools of four (4) teams each. The teams will play a round-robin format in which each team will play three (3) matches. The winner of each pool will advance to the Championship match in their class. The runner-up in each pool will compete in the Consolation match in each class.

2. If two teams are tied with identical records in a pool, the head-to-head result in pool play will break the tie, and determine advancement.

3. If three teams are tied with identical records in a pool, the total points scored in pool play will be used to break the tie, and determine advancement.

4. In the event that three teams are tied with identical records, and two of those three teams have identical total points scored in pool play, the head-to-head result in pool

play will break the tie between those two teams, and determine advancement.

5. If three teams are tied with identical records in a pool, and all three teams have identical total points scored in pool play, the team with the larger number of toss-up questions answered correctly will break the tie, with the head-to-head result in pool play used to break any remaining ties.

6. If the above methods cannot break a tie between three teams, teams will be drawn by lot to determine advancement among tied teams.

**VIII. TOURNAMENT RULES**

**A. Official Rules:** The official rules governing competition in the State series tournaments shall be those included in the "IHSA Scholastic Bowl School and Manager Manual. Local tournament managers are responsible for making sure the competition is conducted in accordance with these official rules.

**B. Moderator's Authority:** The moderator has the final authority and shall decide all matters arising during the match that are not specifically covered in the "IHSA Scholastic Bowl School and Manager Manual.

**C. Local Manager's Authority:** The local manager shall be authorized to make all administrative decisions based on the enforcement of IHSA Terms and Conditions, IHSA By-Laws, and the Scholastic Bowl Tournament Manager's Manual. Situations not stipulated in any of the IHSA rules are administrative in nature and shall be made by the local manager. The Local Manager's decision is final.

**D. Appeals to the IHSA:** The decisions of match moderators and local managers shall be final and cannot be appealed. The IHSA Board of Directors will not review decisions of the contest officials, whether an alleged error is due to faulty judgment, misinterpreta-

tions of the rules, or acceptability of the competition questions.

**E. Number of Players:** A team shall consist of a maximum of fifteen (15) players. Five (5) team players must start the match. A coach must designate one of the five participating players as captain. Fewer than five (5) may continue in the match if there are extenuating circumstances.

**F. On-Line List of Participants:** All schools entered in the Scholastic Bowl State Series must go on-line to submit their team's "List of Participants" along with the coaches information before noon on Wednesday, February 1, 2006. If a school does not submit the On-line List of Participants by the deadline, coaches and participants from that school are subject to sanctions, which could include but not be limited to being ruled ineligible to compete in the State Series. Schools which do not submit their school's On-Line List of Participants and are consequently ruled ineligible for the State Final Series **must formally withdraw** (see Withdrawal Procedures/Breach of Contract III-C).

1. **Regional, Sectional, State Final Rosters:** At the Regional, Sectional and State Final, the coach or faculty representative must bring a copy of their School's List of Participants indicating which fifteen (15) players will compete in the respective level of competition before his/her team competes in the first round of competition in those tournaments. The fifteen (15) players for each level of competition (Regional, Sectional, State Final) can change as long as the players are from among the original On-Line List of Participants submitted to the IHSA Office. Only players listed on the school's original On-line List of Participants may compete.

**G. Coaches:**

1. Each team shall be accompanied by at least one faculty member or other adult

who has been designated as coach by the principal of the high school.

2. Each school should designate to the moderator before the match begins the name of one (1) adult who will act as head coach. This head coach will be the only person permitted to approach the moderator and be involved in consultations with the moderator without being specifically requested to do so by the moderator.

3. A school who uses “co-coaches” must designate a single head coach for a match, but may change head coaches for different matches in the same tournament.

**H. Team Seating:** The competitors within each team will be seated side-by-side and facing in the same direction. The moderator will be positioned so as to see the faces, name plates, and responder lights of all competitors, and as close as possible to halfway between the two teams. Coaches and reserve players should be physically separated from the competitors and may be behind or in front of the teams depending on room constraints. When there are a large number of spectators watching a match the preferred setup is to have the teams positioned in a chevron (V-shape), with moderator at the point of the V, all facing the coaches, reserve players, and spectators.

**I. Dress:** All Scholastic Bowl teams must wear appropriate matching tops for competing in the state series. Matching tops shall be defined as matching in style, color, and markings. Members of the same gender must have identical tops, though males may wear slightly different tops than females.

1. Team competitors and coaches will appear in appropriate attire. Acceptable apparel will include, but not be limited to: slacks, turtlenecks, sport shirts with collars, sport coats, T-shirts, sweatshirts, sweaters, nice jeans, skirts and dresses.

2. Unacceptable apparel will include, but not be limited to: tank tops, cut-offs, short-shorts, clothing that advertise alcohol, drugs, or explicit material, jeans with holes or patches, hats or non-religious head gear, boxer-type shorts, spandex tights or pants worn below the hips.

3. A student or coach may wear apparel that bears the trademark or logo of a manufacturer or distributor during competition provided that the student or coach’s apparel bears only a single manufacturer’s or distributor’s normal label or trademark, not to exceed a one and one-half inch by one and one-half inch square.

**J. Illegal uniform:**

1. When a team cannot begin a match with 5 players wearing legal, matching uniform tops, 30 points shall be awarded the opponents. The penalty will be assessed at the

beginning of each match of the state series that the team is in violation. The moderator will notify the IHSA of non-compliance.

2. When a player wearing a non-matching or illegal uniform attempts to enter the match, the local manager shall not allow the substitution until the player is in compliance with this rule.

**K. Nameplates**

1. Each individual playing in the game must display their name on a legible placard that will be displayed in front of the player at all times so that the moderator can read the name on the placard.

2. The name printed on the placard must match the first name of the player on the team roster given to the tournament manager before the tournament began. Diminutive forms of names (i.e. Mary for Maria; John or Jack for Jonathan) are acceptable. Nicknames are unacceptable.

3. Players attempting to enter the game will not be permitted to enter the game until they are in compliance with this rule.

**L. Forfeit(s):**

1. **Time:** Each team should be at their match location at least five (5) minutes before the match is scheduled to begin. A team that is not present when the round is scheduled to begin shall forfeit its match.

2. **School representative:** Each team shall be accompanied by at least one faculty member or other adult who has been designated as coach by the principal of the high school. Failure to have such a representative will call for the team to forfeit.

3. **Number of players:** Five (5) team players must start the match. Failure to start the match with five (5) team players will cause the team to forfeit. However, fewer than five (5) team players may continue in the match if there are extenuating circumstances.

**Note:** Any team which forfeits a match in pool play, will be excluded for the remainder of that competition, and all matches played to that point in that pool play will become void. This will eliminate all points scored for and against for the forfeiting team and all of the teams they have competed against.

**M. Question formats:**

1. Match questions will be a combination of toss-up and bonus. Bonus questions are multiple part (three to five parts) and are rebounding. Rebounding refers to the fact that the team to which the bonus is NOT awarded has the opportunity to answer any part(s) not answered correctly by the team to which the bonus was originally awarded.

2. No true-false or other types of two-option questions will be permitted.

3. Multiple choice toss-up and bonus questions will not be permitted except

in the case of vocabulary (analogy) toss-up questions. For such multiple-choice questions, any verbal response that indicates one of the choices will be acceptable.

4. Audio and visual material in questions may be used.

5. If a handout is to be used for a question, a copy of the handout must be provided to each playing member of both teams.

6. Succeeding parts of bonus questions (parts 2, 3,4, and 5) must never reveal the answer to previous parts of the same bonus question (i.e. the answer to bonus part #1 cannot be contained in the question that is bonus part #3)

**N.** A ten-position electronic lockout response system will be used for all matches in the State Scholastic Bowl Series.

**O. Categories and Sub-categories for Toss-up and Bonus Questions:** Designate “Major” and “Minor” sub-categories in which written questions will be selected. The **bold** sub-categories are the major areas that the majority of the questions from that category will be selected.

- 1. *Science*
  - Biology**
  - Chemistry**
  - Physics**
  - General science
  - Earth science
  - Astronomy
- 2. *Mathematics*
  - Algebra**
  - Geometry**
  - Calculus**
  - Trigonometry**
  - General math
  - Analytic geometry
  - Computers
- 3. *Social Studies*
  - Government**
  - Geography**
  - History**
  - Economics
  - Current events
  - Psychology
  - Philosophy
  - Sociology
- 4. *Language Arts*
  - Literature**
  - Mythology
  - Journalism
  - Grammar/usage
  - Spelling
  - Vocabulary
  - Speech
- 5. *Arts*
  - Art**
  - Music**
  - Dance
  - Architecture
  - Theater

6. *Miscellaneous*
  - Sports
  - Business
  - Agriculture
  - Home economics
  - Driver's Ed.
  - Industrial arts
  - Pop culture
  - Consumer Ed.
  - Interdisciplinary

**P. Breakdown of Questions at all levels of the IHSA State Final Series:** The sixty (60) questions, thirty (30) toss-up and thirty (30) bonus questions, for each match throughout the state series will consist of the following specific number of questions in each category:

1. **Science:** Six (6) toss-up and six (6) bonus questions per match.
2. **Mathematics:** Six (6) toss-up and six (6) bonus questions per match.
3. **Social Studies:** Six (6) toss-up and six (6) bonus questions per match.
4. **Literature/Language Arts:** Six (6) toss-up and six (6) bonus questions per match.
5. **Arts:** Three (3) toss-up and three (3) bonus questions per match.
6. **Miscellaneous:** Three (3) toss-up and three (3) bonus questions per match.
7. All toss-up questions involving calculation must be labeled.
8. There will be a maximum of eight (8) toss-up and eight (8) bonus questions involving calculation per match.

**Note:** There will be two (2) toss-up and two (2) bonus replacement questions from each category for each level of competition.

**Q. Sets of Questions:**

1. Class A and Class AA will use the same sets of questions for each round of play in the State Series.
2. Three (3) different sets of questions will be used at each Class A and Class AA Regional Tournament. At some Regional tournaments, it will be necessary to use four (4) different sets of questions.
3. Three (3) different sets of questions will be used at each Class A and Class AA Sectional Tournament.
4. Four (4) different sets of questions will be used at each Class A and Class AA State Final Tournament.

**R. Moderators' Meeting**

1. Regional and Sectional Managers may allow the moderators to view the questions starting one (1) week prior to the round of competition and to bring their findings to the Moderator's Meeting. Regional and Sectional Managers will maintain a sign-out sheet for the questions.
2. Before each round of the State

Scholastic Bowl Series, the local manager will arrange for a moderators' meeting to be held at least one hour before the beginning of the first round of play for that tournament (or as soon as possible before the start of the first round if the school day intrudes).

3. No coach should be present at the moderators' meeting.
4. Moderators should have access to all question sets in use at the tournament, and copies of the IHSA Scholastic Bowl School and Manager Manual.
5. The moderators should open the sets of questions and examine them for completeness, accuracy, and pronunciation.
6. Moderators may consult printed material to confirm answers and pronunciation.
7. Moderators should review the rules among themselves, review procedures in conducting the match, and consult the local manager to confirm room assignments and the procedure for reporting results and obtaining new question sets, and prepare themselves to begin the match.

**S. Tournament Personnel:**

1. At each Regional and Sectional tournament, moderators, timer/scorer will be appointed by the local manager of that tournament. For the State Final tournament, four (4) moderators for Class A and four (4) moderators for Class AA will be appointed by the IHSA. Scorers and timers shall be assigned by the State Final Manager.

2. The officials for each match in the State Series will include a moderator, a scorer, and a timer. The adult scorer and adult timer also serve as assistant judges to the moderator.

3. The moderator must always be an adult, and it is highly advised that an experienced moderator be used in each match of the State Series.

**T. Coaches' Meeting**

1. At least one coach from each school participating in the tournament should be present at the Coaches' meeting. All moderators and the local manager should also be present.

2. Assistant coaches and timer/scorer are also advised to attend, if they are able. It is understood that some of these people may need to supervise competition rooms while other adults are attending the Coaches' meeting

3. The Local manager should review times and locations of facilities and all events for the tournament.

4. The Local Manager may have the most experienced moderator discuss specific rules, or may conduct that part of the meeting himself/herself.

5. Allow the meeting to end so that

coaches and personnel have time to arrive at the competition rooms and begin the initial round on time.

**IX. TOURNAMENT POLICIES**

**A. Participant Passes:** Each team participating in the Class A and Class AA State Final tournament will receive a maximum of eighteen (18) participant passes for its fifteen (15) players and coaches that are included on the school's tournament team roster.

**B. Damage to Property or Equipment:** If contestants or people from any school entered in a state series are found guilty of carelessness or maliciously breaking, damaging or destroying property or equipment belonging to the host school, such school shall be held responsible for costs incurred in replacing or repairing such property or equipment.

**C. Qualified Coaches:** In accordance with IHSA By-laws 2.020 and 2.030, all schools are required to have a coach or faculty representative who has been appointed by the high school principal to be present at the tournament site during tournament play. If a school does not have a duly appointed coach or faculty representative present at the tournament site during tournament play, the school's competitors shall not be permitted to participate.

**D. Signs, Banners, Balloons and Mechanical Noisemakers:**

1. The display of signs, banners, posters or similar items at IHSA state series events is permitted, provided:

- a) They are in good taste and reflect good sportsmanship in their message and use;
- b) They reflect identification and encouragement to participants and their school/community;
- c) They are not displayed on the field of play or in a manner that interferes with play;
- d) They do not obstruct the view of participants or spectators; and,
- e) They are not safety hazards.

2. All mechanical noisemaking devices, including balloons, shall be excluded from the Scholastic Bowl facilities.

**E. Media Requirements:**

1. **Providing Space:** Space shall be set aside to provide for news media representatives covering the state series whether they be from newspapers, radio stations, commercial television stations and/or cable television stations.

2. **Radio and TV Originators:** It is the responsibility of the local manager to

accept applications, approve requests to originate, collect proper rights fees payment (where required) and make cancellation refunds for television and/or radio play-by-play origination's, according to the IHSA Television and/or IHSA Radio Broadcast Policy.

a) Television Rights Fees for all levels of competition below the State Final level shall be paid to the host school and shall become part of the revenue to be shared by the member school(s) and the Association according to the financial terms stipulated in these Terms and Conditions.

b) Radio Broadcast Rights Fees are not required for any level of competition in this series except the State Final. Local managers shall permit radio play-by-play originations of the competition.

c) Television and/or Radio Stations which do not apply in advance, or which do not pay required rights fees prior to the start of competition in each respective level in this state series shall not be given credentials nor allowed access to the facility to originate. Sponsors of the originations for television and radio shall be only those so stipulated in the respective IHSA Television and Broadcast policies.

3. Administrative Details: Reporting information to the news media and/or the IHSA Office, as stipulated in instructions to Local Managers, shall be the responsibility of each Local Manager and is required.

4. Sessions at the Sectional and State Final may be videotaped

**F. Video Replay and Television Monitoring Equipment:** Use of video replay or television monitoring equipment other than the official equipment approved by the IHSA shall not be used to make decisions related to the tournament. Only IHSA state meet officials, including the games committee, will have the authority to review official video results.

**G. Flash Photography:** Flash photography is not allowed by anyone except the photographers from V.I.P. These photographers are contracted by the IHSA and have been trained in the appropriate uses of flash photography during events.

**H. Tobacco Products:** No coach, player or any other person connected with a team shall be permitted to use tobacco products in the competition area, either during practice or while the contest is in progress.

**I. Use of Inhalers:** A student with asthma may possess and use his/her medication during an IHSA competition, while under the supervision of school personnel, provided the school meets the outlined procedures of self administration in the Illinois School Code.

**J. Alcoholic Beverages and IHSA State Series Events:** The possession, distribution, sale and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited at the site and on any affiliated property of any IHSA state series contest. State series hosts are required to make all state series contest sites and any affiliated property, including parking lots, fan accommodation areas, and other school or event venue property, alcohol free zones on the date or dates of any IHSA event being held at the site. Violation of this policy by an event host will subject the host to a penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Such penalty may include but not necessarily be limited to prohibition against subsequent event hosting assignments. Violation of this policy by a non-hosting member school will subject the school to penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Patrons of any IHSA state series contest determined to be in violation of this policy will be removed from the premise, and law enforcement officials will be called as warranted.

## X. AWARDS

**A. Regional:** A plaque will be distributed to the winning team. No individual awards.

**B. Sectional:** A plaque will be distributed to the winning team. No individual awards.

## C. State Final:

1. **Individual:** 19 individual medallions will be presented to the coaches and members of the first, second, third, and fourth place teams at the State Final Tournament.

2. **Team:** Trophies will be presented to the first, second, third, and fourth place teams.

## XI. OFFICIALS

**A. Regional Appointment and Fees:** Local Manager's are responsible for hiring the Moderator, Scorer and Timer. The host school shall issue payment to each official which will be reimbursed by the IHSA Office upon receipt of the Financial Report Form.

Moderator: \$15.00 per match

Scorer: \$10.00 per match

Timer: \$10.00 per match

**B. Sectional Appointment and Fees:** Local Manager's are responsible for hiring the Moderator, Scorer and Timer. The host school shall issue payment to each official which will be reimbursed by the IHSA Office upon receipt of the Financial Report Form.

Moderator: \$15.00 per match

Scorer: \$10.00 per match

Timer: \$10.00 per match

**C. State Final Appointment and Fees:** State Final Officials will be paid and appointed by the IHSA Office.

Moderator: \$100.00 per day.

Scorer: \$10.00 per match worked

Timer: \$10.00 per match worked

**D. Mileage Reimbursement Policy:** The officials appointed by the IHSA will be paid mileage from the IHSA Office upon receipt of a mileage voucher submitted by the appointed official to the IHSA Office within 30 days of the contest. Appointed officials will receive 25 cents per mile for every mile over 100 miles for each round trip. Mileage vouchers can be printed from the IHSA Web Site through the IHSA Officials Center. **Note:** Mileage is determined to and from the officials home to the site of the competition, unless prior approval has been given from the administrator in charge of the sport/activity.