

Welcome to Knowledge Bowl!

Dear Knowledge Bowl Student and/or Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for expressing an interest in or supporting your student's interest in Knowledge Bowl. With your help, Skyridge is looking forward to continuing its tradition of excellence in this activity.

Knowledge Bowl is like a team Jeopardy competition. A Knowledge Bowl team is made up of 4 - 6 team members. Our team competes against other teams from neighboring schools 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.

The season will run from mid February through to the end of March (see meet schedule for specific dates). All practices will be held at Skyridge in room 226. Practices typically run from 3:00 to *approximately* 4:00, with the exception of Tuesdays. On those days, students will practice from only 3:00-3:30. We practice Monday through Thursday until the meets begin in late February. At that time, practices will be held only on Mondays and Wednesdays. *Please note that there is no practice scheduled on any of the Fridays during the season (02/13, 02/20, 02/27, 03/06, 03/13, 03/20, 03/27). Picture day, which has yet to be confirmed, will result in a short practice as well. Students will be released after the team and individual photos are taken. As soon as we know more details, we'll send home forms and information.*

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 late in arriving back to Skyridge due to unforeseeable circumstances, students will have access to a cell phone to make calls. Please discuss your expectations 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.

Most students have been notified already by Mrs. Button about their eligibility status and any remaining forms needed, but for your information and 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.

GREATER ST. HELENS MIDDLE SCHOOL LEAGUE

KNOWLEDGE BOWL SCHEDULE 2008-09

MON, 2/9	First day of practice!	
TUES, 2/24	COVINGTON, CASCADE LIBERTY, SKYRIDGE FRONTIER	@ PACIFIC @ SHAHALA @ WY'EAST
TUES, 3/3	PACIFIC, WY'EAST SKYRIDGE, SHAHALA COVINGTON	@ CASCADE @ FRONTIER @ LIBERTY
THURS, 3/5	CASCADE, FRONTIER LIBERTY, WY'EAST SHAHALA	@ COVINGTON @ PACIFIC @ SKYRIDGE
TUES, 3/10	COVINGTON, SHAHALA PACIFIC, FRONTIER SKYRIDGE	@ WY'EAST @ LIBERTY @ CASCADE
THURS, 3/12	FRONTIER, CASCADE WY'EAST, LIBERTY PACIFIC	@ COVINGTON @ SHAHALA @ SKYRIDGE
TUES, 3/17	LIBERTY, SHAHALA SKYRIDGE, WY'EAST COVINGTON	@ CASCADE @ PACIFIC @ FRONTIER
THURS, 3/19	CASCADE, SKYRIDGE FRONTIER, PACIFIC SHAHALA	@ LIBERTY @ COVINGTON @ WY'EAST
TBD	DISTRICT TOURNAMENT	@ FRONTIER