

The Following Information deserves your special attention. This bulletin has been prepared to give coaches a quick overview for the upcoming Scholastic Bowl Season. Complete information/instructions are included in the Manual for Schools in the Sport/Activity Tracker on the IHSA Website.

The most important tool for a Scholastic Bowl Coach is to have their USER ID And Password for the IHSA Schools Center to access the IHSA Sport and Activity Tracker. All IHSA requirements and deadlines for Scholastic Bowl Coaches are indicated in pink in the sport/activity tracker. Coaches have access anywhere/anytime day or night with an internet connection. Our hope is that this bulletin and the Rules Presentation will make a coaches job easier to navigate through the IHSA Scholastic Bowl Season.

I. DATES AND SITES

- A. **School Entries:** A.D. must enter your school to participate through IHSA Schools Center by **November 1**.
- B. If your school hasn't been assigned to a sectional, please contact IHSA. This is a red flag you were not entered to participate in Scholastic Bowl.
- C. **Season Summary:** The deadline is Friday, **February 7 at noon**.
- D. **Online Seeding:** Online seeding will begin **Tuesday, February 11** at 11:00 a.m. and will conclude **February 12** at noon.
- E. **Withdrawal Deadline:** February 10th-\$500.00 penalty for withdrawal after deadline
- F. **Regionals:** Class 1A and 2A Regional tournaments will be held on **Monday, March 10th**
- G. **Sectionals:** Class 1A and 2A Sectional tournaments will be held on **Saturday, March 15th**
- H. **State Final Tournament:** Saturday, **March 22nd**
- I. **Advisory Committee Mtg.:** will be held **May 8th**
- J. **Season Ends:** **June 29th**

II. Important Coaches Resources: <http://www.ihsa.org/SportsActivities/ScholasticBowl.aspx>

- A. Manual for Schools & Managers (<https://www.ihsa.org/documents/scb/2024-25/school-manual.pdf>)
- B. Rule Book & Case Book (<https://www.ihsa.org/documents/scb/2024-25/2023-2025%20SCB%20Rule%20Book.pdf>)
- C. Online Rules Meeting Presentation (This is not a requirement, therefore schools will not get credit in the Schools Center.) (<https://www.ihsa.org/multimedia/articulate/2024-25/rules/sc/public/story.html>)
- D. Rules Meeting Bulletin
- E. **Sites and Assignments:** Class 1A: <https://www.ihsa.org/Sports-Activities/Scholastic-Bowl/State-Series-Information-Results?url=/data/scb/1assign.htm>.
Class 2A: <https://www.ihsa.org/Sports-Activities/Scholastic-Bowl/State-Series-Information-Results?url=/data/scb/2assign.htm>
- F. **NEW:** Terms and Conditions Change Requests (Advisory Committee Recommendations) must be submitted through the IHSA Schools Center by clicking on Forms & Other Resources, then click on Suggest Changes to Terms & Conditions. You can keep track of the status on suggestions by clicking on Terms & Conditions Changes submitted by your school.

III. PROCESS FOR VIEWING THE ONLINE RULES PRESENTATION:

<http://www.ihsa.org/multimedia/articulate/2023-24/rules/sc/public/story.html>

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Login to your IHSA Schools Center by following the instructions on the next page.

Once you have logged in successfully, this is what you will see: **Step 1:** Click

The screenshot shows the IHSA Schools Center website dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the IHSA logo and a search bar. Below the navigation bar, there are two main sections: 'Departments' and 'Message Center'. The 'Departments' section contains several links, including 'Sport & Activity Tracker', 'Concussion Reports', 'Accommodations for Students with Disabilities', 'All-Time Records', 'Performance-Enhancing Substance Program', 'Concussion Risk Program', 'Forms & Other Resources', 'Webinars', and 'Personal Information'. The 'Message Center' section displays a message titled 'The All-School Mailing has left the building!' with a link to 'View older messages'. An orange arrow points from the 'Step 1' label to the 'Sport & Activity Tracker' link in the 'Departments' menu.

Step 2: Click

IHSA Sport & Activity Tracker

[Sport & activity tracker](#) | [Coop teams](#)

This page tracks the progress your sport and activity programs have made in completing items required for IHSA State Series.
Red cells indicate action items. It is your responsibility to **get the red out!**

	Status of Head Coach	Status in IHSA State Series	Status of Program	Online Forms	Rating of Officials	Documents, Printed Forms and Other Information
SPEECH INDIVIDUAL EVENTS	[Red Cell]	team entry has been received	status OK	Participation Survey should be submitted on fifth day of practice		
		you may withdraw without penalty on or before 1/29		List of Participants opens noon on 1/10 deadline is noon on 1/29		
SCHOLASTIC BOWL	[Red Cell]	team entry has been received	status OK	Participation Survey should be submitted on fifth day of practice		
Class 1A		you may withdraw without penalty on or before 2/2	view rules video starting 8/22 until 3/16	Team Record Report Form opens 8 am on 1/8 deadline is midnight on 2/5		
		deadline for registering to play up is 3/1		State Qualifier Data Form opens 8 am on 2/19 deadline is 3 pm on 3/12		

A blue arrow points from the 'Step 2: Click' label to the red cell in the 'SCHOLASTIC BOWL' row, under the 'Status of Head Coach' column.

Coaches are encouraged to view the Scholastic Bowl Online Rules Presentation. This informational presentation was created to make coaches aware of the Rules and Regulations governing Scholastic Bowl. It is our hope that **all** Scholastic Bowl coaches will take the few minutes necessary to refresh themselves with the current IHSA Scholastic Bowl rules and procedures.

IV. SCHOLASTIC BOWL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES, May 2, 2024

https://www.ihsa.org/Portals/0/SB%20Advisory%20Minutes%20May%202%2C%202024_1.pdf

V. THE ONLINE SEEDING MEETING begins February 11 @ 11:00 a.m., ending February 12 at noon

Please refer to the Step-by-Step instructions in the Manual For School's and Manager's.

VII. **CONTACT:** Kraig Garber, IHSA Asst. Executive Director/Scholastic Bowl Administrator (email kgarber@ihsa.org or call 309-663-6377), if you have questions about official interpretations.