



Academic Bowl Student Interest Page

Thank you for your interest in Herschel Jones Middle School's Academic Bowl Team! We are so very excited to get started this year and to start practicing together. Please use this packet as a resource to inform you about our program and the safety measures we are taking to operate this school year.

What is Academic Bowl?

Academic Bowl covers all subject areas and is a buzzer-based academic quiz competition team. Academic Bowl Teams do compete against other county schools, as well as regional and state competitions. We will be using PAGE's rules and regulations for our academic bowl practices and competitions (pageinc.org/academicbowl).

When are practices?

Practices will be held **every Monday and Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30** in Mrs. Jacobson's room (304). Please be sure that you can secure transportation for these days if you plan to apply for academic bowl.

What supplies do I need for Academic Bowl practice?

Please have your own technology device for every Academic Bowl practice. Phone, laptop, or tablet are all acceptable devices. We will be answering practice questions using technology instead of shared buzzers as to decrease close contact. If you are interested in joining Academic Bowl and do not have your own technology, please let Mrs. Jacobson know in your application so she can find a technology device for you to use during practice.

What safety measures will be followed to prevent the spread of COVID-19?

The team will be limited to fifteen students and two coaches. Each student will have a seat dedicated as their space during practice. Students will use their own technology device during practice instead of shared buzzers. When it is necessary to share a buzzer (practices closer to a competition), the shared equipment will be sanitized. Student masks are not mandatory during practice but are highly suggested. There is always a possibility that masks may be required at future regional or state competitions. Team members will not be disciplined or lose competition time if they miss practice due to exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms. Students exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will not attend school or practice.

Who is the main contact for Academic Bowl?

The Academic Bowl Team will be coached by Mrs. Alexis Jacobson.

Email: ajacobson@paulding.k12.ga.us

A Remind account will be set up and shared with Academic Bowl Team members and parents once the application process is complete.

Academic Bowl Team Application

Name of Student: _____

Grade Level: _____

Please answer the questions below in complete sentences and return this application to Mrs. Jacobson (room 304) by **Wednesday November 4th**.

1. Why are you interested in joining the Academic Bowl Team?

2. What were your report card grades for your four main academic subjects?

Language Arts: _____
Science: _____

Math: _____
Social Studies: _____

3. Do you have any current commitments for Monday or Wednesday afternoons (practices or other extracurricular activities)? If your answer is yes, please provide details about what time they begin.

4. Why will you make a good addition to the HJMS Academic Bowl Team?

5. Name of teacher who would recommend me for the Academic Bowl Team – Please confirm with this teacher before writing in their name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

Parent Email: _____

Can you bring your own technology to practice? _____ Yes _____ No

Interested Student – Please initial below

_____ I have read the Academic Bowl Interest Page, and I understand that I am making a commitment to my team by joining.

Parent – Please initial below

_____ I have read the Academic Bowl Interest Page, and I understand that my child will need dependable transportation every Monday and Wednesday afternoon by 4:30 p.m.

Student Signature

Parent Signature