



TRIVIA BEE Teams 2011,

We are really looking forward to the Easton Learning Foundation's third Annual TRIVIA BEE. We want to thank you and your team members for coming out on Thursday, May 19th for a fantastic event. Attached you will find a couple of documents that explain how the TRIVIA BEE will work and an explanation of the rules so you will be familiar with the BEE process.

Team members should arrive at 6:15 and check in to the SSES Media Center. An ELF board member will sign you in and show you where to go to have your BEEautiful team photo taken. We want to have all team photos completed before the 7:00PM start.

We will have your team sign ready for you at our registration table. After your team photo you will go to the Cafetorium and find your team name on reserved seats. You are seated by Swarms to ensure a quick entry onto the stage.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions before the BEE.

Thanks,

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TRIVIA BEE RULES MAY 2010

Teams:

1. Please wait until ALL the previous round team members have left the stage before you proceed up the one set of stairs on YOUR left. Kim Fox-Santora, the Trivia Bee and the Princess Bee will escort you to the stage.
2. The Master of Ceremonies, Tom McMorran, will state the question and will repeat every question one time. All teams in a round will be given the same question. Once the team collaborates on its final answer, the team captain will write the answer on the white board. Spelling does not have to be exact, but the answer must be legible and understandable by the judges.
3. When the team is done, the captain should raise his or her hand, to indicate the team is ready. This will reduce the time waiting for answers if the teams are ready before the 30 second time limit.
4. You will have 30 seconds to write your answer on the whiteboard and the timekeeper will give you a 5 second warning. She will then announce, "Time's up. Whiteboards up." This signals that the teams must hold up their whiteboard for the judges and MC to see. The Judge will then award points to those teams that have correctly answered the question. (The scorekeeper will record points.)
5. All judges' decisions are final.
6. The winning teams from each round will then all compete in a final championship round.
7. Rules for the Championship Round are the same as for the qualifying rounds except that it is "sudden death". Teams will be given the same question. Answers will be written on white boards by team captains. Teams will be eliminated as they answer a question wrong. If all teams answer correctly, another question is asked. If all teams answer incorrectly, another question is asked. If one team answers correctly and the others answer incorrectly, the team that answered correctly will be declared the GRAND CHAMPIONS. While questions are designed to be a little challenging, the main idea of the Trivia Bee is to have FUN!

Sudden Death Playoff:

If two or more teams have the same number of points at the end of any round, including the Championship Round, one additional question will be asked. If a team answers it incorrectly, they are eliminated. This continues until one team remains.

How Will the Trivia Bee Proceed?

For each round, there will be competing teams on the stage.

In each round, the process is as follows:

1. Tom McMorran, (MC), states the question.
2. Tom repeats the question. The Timekeeper starts the 30 second timer.
3. Teams confer and write answers on white boards.
4. As teams finish answering the questions, team captains put a hand up. If ALL teams are finished answering before the 30 second limit, the timekeeper will say “All teams ready. Whiteboards up”.
5. At 25 seconds, the timekeeper gives a 5 second warning, saying, “5 seconds remaining”.
6. At 30 seconds, the timekeeper says, “Time is up. Whiteboards up”.
7. A Judge verbally awards points to each team with the correct answer.
8. ELF Score Keepers record points on score sheet.
9. At the end of 4-6 questions, scorekeepers announce which is the winning team for the round. The winners receive medals and then all teams exit off the stage.
10. If there is a tie, all teams stay on the stage but only the teams with the tie continue to answer questions, being eliminated for any wrong answer (sudden death).
11. Teams will be escorted off the stage and will be directed to the media center.
12. Teams should go to the media center to return their team sign and to get their goodie bag. If team members prefer, they can collect their goodie bag at the end of the event.