

2006 WA/OR Invitational Tournament Plan

Here is the current plan (until those last minute changes due to arrival times or cancellations).

Divisions 1/2 has 17 teams. There are two pools. The top 4 from each pool will be in Division 1 and the remaining in Division 2. The top 4 in each division will be in finals. All division 1 teams will be recognized during awards.

Division 3 has 17 teams. The majority of the rounds will be three team quizzes. Each team will quiz approximately 11 rounds. The top nine teams will compete in a single elimination bracket to determine the top team. The top nine teams are determined by record with ties broken first by head-to-head competition and then by total points, if necessary.

Division 4 has 9 teams. They will quiz more than a complete round robin. The top four teams will compete in a single elimination bracket to determine the top team. The final top four teams will be determined by record for all rounds with ties broken first by head-to-head competition and then by total points.

Special three team rules

- 1) In all three team quizzes, the 1st place team earns a win, the 2nd place team earns ½ win and ½ loss, and the 3rd place team earns 1 loss.
- 2) All ties between teams need to be broken with an additional question between those teams that are tied. If a tie score is discovered after the fact, in the scoring room, they will be broken first by which team attempted the most toss-up questions and then by most correct bonus questions. Coaches be sure to verify scores are correct so that we don't have to break the ties in the scoring room.
- 3) Three team bonus questions.
 - a. Ideally every 3 team room will have a content judge. In this case one quizzer whispers their answer to the quiz master and the other eligible quizzer simultaneously whispers their answer to the content judge. The content judge needs to repeat the quizzers answer to the quiz master so that the quiz master can rule on both answers equitably and consistently.
 - b. If no content judge is provided, one of the coaches should act as the content judge. They should never listen/repeat the answer of a quizzer from their own team.
 - c. Lastly if no coach will content judge, then the quiz master will read the bonus question listening first to a whispered answer and then the other quizzer may answer out loud. If this last method is used, it is good to alternate the team that goes first.