

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s),

September 20, 2013

Your student has chosen to participate in Scholars' Bowl this year. As the new coach for Scholars' Bowl, I am anticipating a good year. So far, there has been about 12 to 15 students show interest and regularly attend practice. Practices are held every morning starting a 7:30. Participants are expected to attend practice at least twice per week, but it is preferred that they attend as many as they can each week. Practice attendance will be considered when determining who goes to tournaments.

Not all students will go to all the tournaments since there is a limit of six competitors at any one tournament and each student can attend a maximum of 8 tournaments, not counting Regional or State competitions. Tournaments that are scheduled during the week will require us to leave as early as 2 p.m., and usually get home around 7 or 8 p.m. Students should know at least one week ahead of time (hopefully even earlier) whether or not they are going to a tournament.

Eligibility for Scholars' Bowl will require students to maintain grades above a 70%. Students with any Ds or Fs on the weekly eligibility will not be eligible for participating in tournaments. Please encourage your student to keep his/her grades up to avoid eligibility concerns. In order to earn a Varsity letter for Scholars' Bowl, a participant must either participate in half of the Varsity tournaments or medal at a Varsity tournament.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have about your student's participation. Also if there are any tournament dates that your student would not be able to attend due to illness or other family matters, please let me know as soon as possible. I can be reached by email at eckerts@usd251.org or by phone at school 620-528-3521. I am looking forward to leading the program this year.

Regards,

Sandra Eckert
NHHS Scholars' Bowl Coach