

Southern Missouri Bible Quiz



District Guidelines

PURPOSE: The goal of the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry is to:

1. Bring each quizzier, coach, and official to a closer relationship with the Lordship of Jesus Christ.
2. Encourage by systematic study an in-depth knowledge of God's Word.
3. Motivate youth to memorize God's Word.
4. Teach youth to make daily application of God's Word.
5. Provide an opportunity for service and discipleship.
6. Teach youth to reflect the character of Jesus Christ in their attitudes and actions.
7. Provide, through competition and travel, opportunities for youth to expand Christian friendships and fellowship.

(Notice that while Bible Quiz is competitive by nature, the emphasis should be on discipleship and fellowship.)

The 2010-2011 Bible Quiz Rule Book and any amendments will be the basis for competition in the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry, except as noted below.

ORGANIZATION: Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry is organized as follows:

District Youth Director (DYD): Rev. Darin Poe
District Bible Quiz Coordinator: Fred Fortunato
Section Coordinators: Kansas City Betty Brown
St. Louis Jim Marler
Springfield Beth Rutherford

SECTIONS: Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz will be divided into geographic sections, with assignment to each section based on teams' geographical locations at registration.

SCHEDULE: 2010-2011 Season – Gospel of John

<u>SECTION COMPETITION:</u>	<u>A Division</u>	<u>Middle School/B Division</u>
October 9, 2010, Section Competition #1	1-6	1-3
November 13, 2010, Section Competition #2	7-11	4-5
January 8, 2011, Section Competition #3	12-15	6
February 5, 2011, Section Competition #4	16-21	7-8

Section competitions #2-4 include approximately 25% of questions over previous material.

OFFICIAL COMPETITION:

Date: March 26, 2011	District Finals	Location: Springfield, Missouri
April 29-30, 2011	Regional Finals	Springfield, Missouri
July 2-8, 2011	National Finals	Dallas, Texas

REGISTRATION:

1. All teams must register with the District Bible Quiz Coordinator.
2. To insure a smooth start-up of the season, registrations need to be submitted as early as possible prior to the first section meet. Teams will be permitted to register for the quiz season at any time; however, any team(s) registering after the first section quiz will not make up missed matches.
3. Each team must report its section classification with tentative team rosters at the time of registration.
4. No changes in section classification or rosters will be allowed after the first section quiz unless approved by the District Bible Quiz Coordinator.
5. Registration Fees:
 - a. Early Registration Fee (postmarked by September 20th) will be \$50 for each team.
 - b. Registrations postmarked after September 20th will be \$60 per team.
6. Registration fees for **one** team are waived for first-year churches.

2011 DISTRICT FINALS REGISTRATION:

1. A separate registration is required for those teams participating in District Finals. This registration form will be made available later in the season.
2. 2011 District Finals Registration:
 - a. Registrations must be postmarked by March 10, 2011.
 - b. Registration fees to be determined later.

REGISTRATION ROSTER:

1. Rosters listing individual quizzers comprising a team must be submitted to the Section Coordinator by the first section quiz in October.
2. Registration and team rosters for District Finals (**official competition**) must be submitted to the District Bible Quiz Coordinator along with the District Registration.
3. Churches may consolidate teams or move quizzers between teams for District Finals. Quizzers must remain in the same division in which they quizzed during section competition, unless approved by the District Bible Quiz Coordinator.

TEAM CLASSIFICATION: Southern Missouri District Teams may compete in one of following three division classifications:

A DIVISION: Teams comprised of 2-6 quizzers (recommend 3-4) who are enrolled in grades 6-12 as of September 1, 2010.

B DIVISION: Teams comprised of 2-6 quizzers (recommend 3-4) who are enrolled in grades 6-12 as of September 1, 2010.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION: Teams comprised of 2-6 quizzers (recommend 3-4) who are enrolled in grades 6-8 as of September 1, 2010.

(Note - B Division and Middle School Division will study the same material and use the same questions. B Division is designed for those A Division quizzers who may be new to quizzing, or who, because of time constraints, may be unable to compete at an A Division level, or those churches that have quizzers spanning a wide range of ages.)

SECTION SCORING: Team placement during section competition will be based upon the win/loss percentage. Any forfeit will count as a loss. Individual placement during section competition will be based upon the quizzer's average points.

STARTING TIME: Section competition starting times will be determined by the Section Coordinators. A start time of 9:00 a.m. is recommended unless weather, other delays, or cancellations have been approved in advance.

1. Teams and officials should make every effort to report before the official starting time to allow the Section Coordinator time to manage any team or officials' scheduling issues.
2. Teams arriving after the official starting time risk forfeiting the effected matches. The opposing team of a forfeited match will receive a win. The point totals for the non-forfeiting team and individual quizzers will be based on the average points scored for all other matches for that competition. The forfeiting team and individual quizzers will receive no points for any forfeited matches. Teams with first round byes are also expected to report on time.
3. The Section Coordinator will make weather and other cancellations in consultation with at least one coach in their immediate area and at least one (preferably two coaches) representing teams outside their immediate area. This decision will be final as of 10:00 p.m. on the Friday before the scheduled section competition. Any section competition cancellation will not be rescheduled.

OFFICIALS:

1. Each team should provide at least two officials, if possible. New churches need only provide one official per team.
2. Each room should have a minimum of a quizmaster and scorekeeper. If the quizmaster and coaches agree, a room may have only a quizmaster with the official score kept by each of the opposing coaches. Should a room lack sufficient officials, coaches bringing no officials may be required to officiate.

OFFICIAL COMPETITION:

1. Official team competition commences with District Finals for the A, B and Middle School Divisions.
2. The format for District Finals will be based upon the total number of registrations received.
3. The total number of teams (in all divisions) registered for competition determines the number of teams that can qualify for Regional Finals. If there are less than 25 teams, 2 teams per division qualify; 25-49 teams, 3 teams per division qualify; and 50 or more teams, 4 teams per division qualify.
4. There is no further competition beyond Regional Finals for the Middle School Division teams.
5. There is no further competition beyond District Finals for B Division teams.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT MEMORIZATION AWARD:

1. A quizzer must quote an entire chapter at one time to a qualified Bible Quiz coach or official not related to the quizzer following the same guidelines as the National Memorization award.
2. The quizzer must quote all the required material by March 3, 2011, in order to receive the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Memory Award at District Finals. The National Memorization award form will be used to record the chapters quoted. Only this official form will be accepted. If mailed, it must be postmarked by March 5, 2011, with the names e-mailed to the District Bible Quiz Coordinator. (Quizzers may quote until the deadline set for the National Memorization award. They will not, however, receive their Southern Missouri District Memorization award at the District Finals competition. The award will be sent later.)
3. A Division quizzers must quote the entire A material. B and Middle School Division quizzers must quote the Middle School material. B and Middle School quizzers may also choose to quote all of the A Division material and receive the A Division memorization award.
4. Quizzers achieving the A Division National memorization award and the National Master Memorization award are eligible for scholarship awards from the Southern Missouri District. Amounts for each are as follows:
 - a. National Memorization Award, \$100 scholarship.
 - b. National Master Memorization Award, \$100 scholarship.

QUIZ AWARDS:

Section Competition: Top individuals and teams from each division will be recognized and presented with a certificate of achievement at each section quiz competition. The number of awards will vary depending upon the number of teams within each division.

At the end of the section season (Section Finals); awards will be presented as follows:

1. Individual Quizzer Awards: A, B and Middle School Divisions **

Top individual scorers will be recognized in each section and division. Recognition is based upon the total number of points scored for all section competitions. Ties will be decided by the total points for the last section competition, followed by quiz outs earned in the last Section competition. The number of awards will be determined by the number of teams in each division and section.

2. Team Awards: A, B and Middle School Divisions **

Awards will be presented to the top teams in each section and division. Recognition is based upon the win/loss percentage for each team. Ties will be decided by head to head competition, and/or average total points. The number of awards will be determined by the number of teams in each division and section.

** For an individual or a team to be eligible for an award, they must have quizzed in at least 2/3 of the section competitions within that division.

District Finals: Awards will be presented as follows:

1. Individual Quizzer Awards: A, B and Middle School Divisions

Top quizzers will receive awards. Recognition will be based on total number of points scored during the District Finals competition. The number of awards presented will be determined by the number of teams competing within each division. Rules for deciding ties will be announced at the start of District Finals.

The Southern Missouri Memorization Award will be presented at District finals to each individual who has memorized and quoted the scripture as outlined in these guidelines (see also the national guidelines).

2. Team Awards: A, B and Middle School Divisions

Awards will be presented to the top teams. Recognition will be based upon the team's win-loss record during District Finals competition. The number of awards presented will be determined by the number of teams competing within each division. Rules for deciding ties will be announced at the start of District Finals.

COACHES

Coaches are **REQUIRED** to sign the attached Bible Quiz Coach Covenant or a similar document if their church has one. A copy needs be given to the Section Coordinator and should be given to the pastor or youth pastor of their church.

The District Bible Quiz Coordinator, in consultation with the District Youth Director and the Section Coordinators, may change or alter any of the above rules if it is deemed necessary to further the Teen Bible Quiz Ministry in the Southern Missouri District.



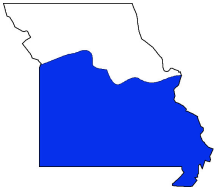
SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT TEEN BIBLE QUIZ COACH'S COVENANT

1. With God's help, I will do my best to accomplish all seven purposes of the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry.
2. I will glorify God with my attitude, thoughts, speech and actions.
3. I will not play favorites, realizing that God has a wonderful plan for all quizzers.
4. I will submit to the leadership of my Youth Pastor, Pastor, and Deacons.
5. I will also submit to the leadership of the Bible Quiz Section Coordinator, the District Bible Quiz Coordinator, and the District Youth Director.
6. I realize that quizzers go where I lead them.
7. I will not settle for mediocrity in my passion as a coach.
8. I will strive to exalt Christ in my life and in this ministry this season.

Coach's Signature

Date

Witness



SO. MO DISTRICT TEEN BIBLE QUIZ 2010 – 2011 Section Registration Form

To register for Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quizzing each team needs to fill out a separate registration form. Attach the appropriate registration fees, make checks payable to “**So MO District Youth Ministries**” and mail forms with payment to the **District Bible Quiz Coordinator** by the due date specified in the Southern Missouri Bible Quiz District Guidelines.

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Coach Name: _____ Phone: [H] _____ [W/C] _____

Coach Address: _____ e-mail: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Send mail to: Church ____ Coach ____ Assistant Coach Name: _____

Division: A B Middle School Section: Kansas City Springfield St Louis

Team Roster: List each team member’s name, age, grade and date of birth. *

Name	Age	Grade	Date of Birth

* To determine an individual’s eligibility see “Eligibility and Competition Structure” at www.biblequiz.com

OFFICE USE ONLY: Check # _____ Amt \$ _____ Date Postmarked _____
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