



January 17, 2012

The Jimmy Carter NHS Education Program and Jimmy Carter National Historic Site will host the annual Academic Bowl at Plains High School Museum in February. Your school is invited to participate. Each school may bring a team of four to ten members to compete. Each round will have four team members with the opportunity to substitute team members between rounds. Other students from your school are welcome to come and be in the audience. The topics for this event will come from the **Georgia Performance Standards** per grade level. We have revised the rules and updated the topics/questions for the Academic Bowl. In addition, Dr. Bill Cranshaw, who oversaw the implementation of the Social Studies GPS for Georgia, has assisted with the revisions. We think you and your students will enjoy this year's completion. The bowl will be held in the auditorium at Plains High School Museum, 300 North Bond Street, Plains, Georgia at the following times:

- **Middle School** (6th-8th grade) – February 28, 2012 from 9:00AM to noon
- **High School** (9th-12th grade) – February 29, 2011 from 9:00AM to noon

We hope you will take the opportunity to participate in this special event. If we have a large number to register for the Middle School completion, we may select to divide that completion into two days based on school sizes. You will find enclosed an entry form and rules. If you are interested in registering your school, please return this form by February 8, 2012. You can mail it to: Annette Wise, 300 North Bond Street, Plains, GA 31780 or fax it to 229-824-5556. Please feel free to contact me at 229-824-5843 or at plainsed@jimmycarter.info if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Academic Bowl Entry Form

Please send the entry from to:
Annette Wise, 300 North Bond Street, Plains, GA 31780
or
Fax: 229-824-5556

School: _____

Address: _____

_____ zip code _____

Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

Teacher(s): _____

E-mail address: _____

Team members:

(Only 10 can compete and will receive certificates. Please print the names.)

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Jimmy Carter National Park Service Academic Bowl

Plains High School

300 North Bond Street

Plains, Georgia

February 28, 2012- Middle Schools

February 29, 2012- High Schools

Rules

Teams

Each team shall consist of four (4) participating members. In addition, you may have alternates/substitutes. Each team shall designate its captain. It shall be the responsibility of the team captains to call time and decide on substitutions. There will be a short break half way through each round; at that time, a team may replace one or two players with substitutes.

Each school is required to supply a scorekeeper. The scorekeeper may be an alternate or the team coach.

If teams are not present fifteen (15) minutes before their round, a forfeit will be declared.

Procedure

Each round will consist of twenty questions asked by the moderator. The category of questions will be taken from the Georgia Performance Standards for their grade levels as well as previous standards for earlier years. The Middle School's questions will focus on Latin America, Caribbean, Canada, Europe, Australia, Presidential and Georgia History. The High School questions will focus on American Government, Civics, Economics, United States History, World Geography, World History and Presidential History. The maximum number of complete times that a question may be read is one. There may be no conferring on questions. If neither team answers a question correctly within ten seconds after the reading of the question, the moderator will give the answer to that question and will begin the reading of the next question. There are no penalties for answering questions incorrectly. A panel of judges will provide final decisions on the correctness of answers.

The team with the most points at the conclusion of the twentieth question is the winner. Should the teams be tied, the moderator will ask the first of the list of tie-breaking questions. The first team to answer correctly will be the winner of the round.

Answering procedures

The match shall begin with the moderator posing a question which is to be answered individually by the contestant who first buzzes in and is recognized by the judge. The contestant who is recognized to answer will then have ten (10) seconds to complete the answer. In all cases, the first answer is the only acceptable answer.

The match shall continue as stated, with the following specifics:

1. Teams will have ten (10) seconds to buzz in after the moderator has completed reading the question. After ten (10) seconds a new question will be asked.
2. If a question is answered correctly, the team gets one (1) point.
3. If a question is answered incorrectly, there is no penalty, but the opposing team will have ten (10) seconds to buzz in and be recognized, and ten (10) seconds to complete their answer.
4. If the question was read in its entirety before the incorrectly answering team buzzed in, it **Will Not** be read again. If the first team buzzing in interrupted the reading of the question, the moderator will read the entire question again.
5. If a question is answered by a contestant before he/she is recognized, the answer, right or wrong, shall be discarded and the opposing team will have ten (10) seconds to buzz in and be recognized, and ten (10) seconds to complete their answer.
6. In case of undue audience participation or disturbance, the question involved shall be discarded and a new question will be read after the audience is reprimanded.
7. In case of a procedural error, it shall be up to the judges to stop the match and to handle the situation.

Officiating

All matches will be under the supervision and control of National Park Service officials:

- A. Moderator/Host will ask the questions, and be responsible for the conduct of the match, and various decisions outline throughout these rules.
- B. Time Keeper will aid the Moderator in all matters of time and scoring
- C. Judges supplied by the National Park Service shall have final say in determining correctness of answers.

The National Park Service Staff shall make final decisions on all matters not covered here.