

2025-26 Season

How many events do we play?

We will play 20-30 competition dates, usually on Saturdays and on Monday or Tuesday nights in the Spring semester. We play a full conference schedule, Saturday invitational tournaments, three state championship tournament series, and the Stateline Quiz Bowl TV show.

When is the quiz bowl season?

Saturday invitational tournaments are held from October through February.

Big Northern Conference quizbowl runs on Monday and Tuesday nights after school in January and early February, with a final tournament in February.

State tournaments are held in February and March.

When are team practices?

During the school year, practices are Thursdays after school until 5pm in the WHS library. Regular practices are held from September through April.

When does the JV team play?

The JV team plays separately from the Varsity team at Big Northern Conference matches. Some tournaments, like the IHSSBCA Novice in early November, are JV-only events.

2025 Summer Practice Schedule

During the summer, we practice on Thursday afternoons from 2:00 - 4:00pm at the Winnebago Culver's. For more information, visit bago-qb.org/summer.

June 12

June 26

July 10

July 17

July 31

August 7

How do I prepare for practices?

You can prepare for practices and competitions by studying the "quiz bowl canon," the set of answers that frequently come up in quiz bowl question sets.

Visit qbreader.org/db to read past questions that you can sort by category and difficulty. Find links for study guides at bago-qb.org/studying

Likely 2025-26 Tournaments

TENTATIVE AND INCOMPLETE

This is based on the usual dates of events we typically attend.

October

Date TBA (Sunday):

Stateline Quiz Bowl Taping 1

18 (Saturday): ACF Fall

November

1 (Saturday): IHSSBCA Novice (JV only)

8 (Saturday): Scobol Solo

22 (Saturday): IHSSBCA Kickoff

December

13 (Saturday): Reinstein Varsity

January

5 (Monday): Big Northern Conference 1

10 (Saturday): Knights' Challenge (JV only)

12 (Monday): Big Northern Conference 2

20 (Tuesday): Big Northern Conference 3

26 (Monday): Big Northern Conference 4

31 (Saturday): Winnebago Invitational

February

2 (Monday): Big Northern Conference 5

10 (Tuesday): BNC Championship
Tournament

21 (Saturday): Masonic Sectionals

28 (Saturday): NAQT State

March

7 (Saturday): Masonic State

8 (Monday): IHSA Regionals

14 (Saturday): IHSA Sectionals

21 (Saturday): IHSA State

April 24-26: SSNCT National Tournament

Resources

bago-qb.org

The team website is kept up-to-date throughout the team's season.

discord.gg/wrW5pEkAM9

Join the team Discord server to participate in team discussion and keep up with the latest announcements.

ihssbca.org/tournaments

The Illinois High School Scholastic Bowl Coaches Association (IHSSBCA) maintains a schedule and results page for the entire state.

Contact the Coach

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Winnebago High School Quiz Bowl



2025-26 Team Information