

2026-27 Season

How many events do we play?

We will play 20-30 competition dates, on Saturdays and, in the spring, on Monday and Tuesday nights. 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 mid-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.

2026 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 11

June 18

July 2

July 9

July 23

July 30

August 6

2026 First Fall Practice

Thursday, September 17, 2026

How do I prepare for practices?

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 2026-27 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

Date TBA (Saturday): ACF Fall

31 (Saturday): IHSSBCA Novice (JV only)

November

Date TBA (Saturday): Scobol Solo

21 (Saturday): IHSSBCA Kickoff

December

Date TBA (Saturday): Reinstein Varsity

January

5 (Tuesday): Big Northern Conference 1

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

11 (Monday): Big Northern Conference 2

19 (Tuesday): Big Northern Conference 3

25 (Monday): Big Northern Conference 4

30 (Saturday): Winnebago Invitational

February

1 (Monday): Big Northern Conference 5

9 (Tuesday): Big Northern Championship Tournament

20 (Saturday): Masonic Sectionals

27 (Saturday): NAQT State

March

6 (Saturday): Masonic State

8 (Monday): IHSA Regionals

13 (Saturday): IHSA Sectionals

20 (Saturday): IHSA State

April 23-25: 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.

ihsbca.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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