



2009 Tennessee Valley Fair 4-H CLOVER BOWL



Rules and Regulations

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Clover Bowl is to acquaint 4-H members with themselves and their surroundings through participating in an enjoyable and educational program. In addition to this main purpose it is hoped that this program will help participants to develop their leadership, teamwork, and communication skills.

SOURCES: Information for questions will be in the areas of 4-H, Tennessee (History, Geography, and Government), Agriculture and Environment, and Family and Consumer Sciences.

RULES: This contest is Open to any 4-H age team in an Eastern Region County. Each county can submit up to 4 teams in any age division. Teams must complete a TVF Clover Bowl Registration Form and submit to Mitch Beaty by September 7, 2009. This form can be mailed, e-mailed or faxed. This form can be accessed at the Clover Bowl Website listed below.

The contest will be conducted utilizing the rules listed below and will use questions from the **THE Clover Bowl Handbook**. This Handbook is available on the web at: <http://uteasternregion.org/4h/Clover%20Bowl.htm>.

Or you can Google "clover bowl."

Divisions and Knowledge Areas

Teams and clubs will participate in the following divisions and will be Responsible for the denoted grade levels in the Clover Bowl Handbook:

Jr. Division **11 years and under or
4th and 5th graders as of 1-1-09**
**(This Division will be responsible for 4th and 5th
Grade Questions in the Clover Bowl Handbook)**

Jr. High Division **12 -14 years of age or
6th, 7th, or 8th graders as of 1-1-09**
**(This Division will be responsible for 4th 5th, and 6th
Grade Questions in the Clover Bowl Handbook)**

Sr. Division **15-18 years of age or
6th, 7th, or 8th graders as of 1-1-09**
**(This Division will be responsible for all
Questions in the Clover Bowl Handbook)**

Teams

A team will consist of four (4) 4-H members from the county, who fall into that particular age division. At the contest, a team with only three members will be allowed to compete. However, this team will do so realizing they are at a natural disadvantage to a team with four members. **No team can compete at the contest with less than three members!** NO EXCEPTIONS!

A county can submit up to **four** teams in each of the age classifications. The Contest will be in a tournament format in which brackets will be determined by drawing. The tournament will be a single elimination contest.

Alternates

It is advisable to have alternates in case team members are unable to attend the contest. **Alternates, however, will not receive any awards or recognition. In addition, only team members will be allowed to sit on the stage during Clover Bowl contest.**

Awards

The 1st place team in each age division will also receive a trophy and the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place team members in each age division will receive a rosette.

Contest Rules

1. A "Quiz-A-Tron" will be used with the first member "buzzing" in being given the opportunity to answer the question.
- 2a. A contest or match will consist of 16 questions. Each round will have representative questions from each major category (refer to SOURCES). **There will be two rounds in each contest. The first round will be the toss-up round, the second round will be the speed round.**
- 2b. **Toss-Up Round: Each team member will be numbered 1-4. The first question will be asked to the number "one" members of each team. This will be a toss-up question that only these two members can answer. Play will continue to the number "two" team members on each team and so on. This will progress through the first eight questions of the contest. Each team member will have the opportunity to answer two questions during this round. Correct Answers in this area will count toward the teams bonus.**
- 2c. **Speed Round: The speed round will be simple toss-up questions in which all 8 members will have the opportunity to answer. This round will consist of the final 8 questions of the contest. Correct Answers in this area will count toward the teams bonus.**
3. Questions will count 10 points for correct answers, and a deduction of 5 points for incorrect answers.

The first person to "buzz" in has 10 seconds to answer the question or they lose 5 points. The first answer will be the only one accepted. If incorrect the other

team may have the question **completely** reread and we will be given 5 seconds to buzz in and 10 seconds to answer. If the other team decides to answer and does so correctly, they will receive 10 points. If they answer incorrectly, they **do not lose 5 points**.

5. When a buzzer is pushed before the question is completely read, the moderator will stop reading the question at the sound of the buzzer. If the answer is incorrect, the opposing team may answer immediately or hear the entire question.
6. If no one pushes a button within 5 seconds after the question is completed, no points will be awarded or deducted from either team. The question does however count as one of the 16 in the round.
- 7a. **A 5 point bonus will be automatically awarded to a team when all team members have answered a question correctly. This will be 4 questions for a 4 person team, 3 questions for a 3 person team, or three questions for a 4 person team competing against a three person team. One this bonus has been awarded the bonus opportunity will be reset starting with the next question. A team can receive multiple bonus awards during the round. No Bonus awards will be given during tie-breakers (See Rule 10).**
- 7b. **In addition to the 5 point bonus a team will receive a bonus question worth 15 points. A wrong bonus answer does not count against the team score.**
- 7c. **Discussion is allowed only on bonus questions. The team will have 20 seconds to discuss this question. At the end of the 20 second time period the moderator will ask for an answer from the captain. The answer must come from the team captain, and the first answer will be the only one accepted. (Other team members may help captain during the answer, but the official answer will only be accepted from the captain.)The captain will have 10 seconds to complete his/her answer after being called on by the moderator.**
8. If a contestant “blurts” out an answer when he/she **does not** have the light, one of two situations will occur: 1) If the member is on the opposite team from the contestant who does have the light... the question will be re-read to the member who has the light with no penalty given. 2) If the member is on the same team as the contestant with the light... then the team will be penalized 5 points and the question will be re-read to the opposite team. **The question will not be thrown out.**
- 9.. The team with the most points at the end of the round will be declared the winner and will advance to the next round. Ties will be broken by a 5 question tie-breaker round. **No Bonuses will be awarded during the tie-breaker round.**
10. During the Regional Contest teams may not substitute contestants.
- 11.. **ALL DECISIONS OF THE JUDGE WILL BE FINAL.**

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Due to Mitch Beaty by September 7, 2009.
(Email, fax or mail this form to him.)

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