JAIN ACADEMIC BOWL (JAB) 2021 COMPETITION

ANNOUNCEMENT:

JAB Committee would like to invite Jain Pathshalas of North America to participate in the 14th Jain Academic Bowl (JAB) in the first ever Virtual format.

The JAB tournament will take place from
Friday, July 2, 2021 at 4:00 PM to Monday, July 5, 2021 at 8:00 PM

JAB - GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Jain Academic Bowl is a team competition for young Jains which is held biennially at the JAINA conventions. This competition tests the overall knowledge of students on Jain Philosophy, Jain History, Jain Conduct, Jain Literature, Ritual sutras, Tirthankars, Revered Jain personalities, the Jain Way of Life, and more. It also tests the ability of participants to answer quickly. This competition is in a "jeopardy" type of format. The participant teams "buzz in" to answer the questions.

JAB is a great experience for all participants. It helps increase their knowledge of Jainism, provides opportunity to forge new friendships with Pathshala students nationwide, and much more. In the end, every participant is a winner because of the immense knowledge they acquire and the fun that they have as a participant in this team competition. Since JAINA convention 2021 is going to be held virtually due to the pandemic situation, we are going to have for the very first time, a Virtual JAB Tournament!!!
JAB TEAM REGISTRATION FORM AND RULES:

This time, we have added a new category called Beginner Team for those centers that have never participated in a JAB tournament in a long while. For JAB 2021, we are also allowing centers who have participated before to submit their team in the Beginner category comprised of students who have never participated in JAB before. The JAB tournament is divided into three (3) types of Teams: Beginner Team, Junior Team and Senior Team

BEGINNER TEAM - Participants aged 14 and under as of July 1, 2021
(Birth date – July 2, 2006 or later)

JUNIOR TEAM - Participants aged 14 and under as of July 1, 2021
(Birth date – July 2, 2006 or later)

SENIOR TEAM - Participants aged 21 and under as of July 1, 2021.
(Birth date – July 2, 1999 or later)

A maximum of five (5) teams per center (or per valid Pathshala) can participate in the 2021 JAB competition, but only three teams can participate in the Beginner category. There cannot be 3 junior teams or 3 senior teams from the same Pathshala. For JAB 2021, if a center submits a total of 3 - Junior + Senior teams, they will be allowed to submit up to 2 Beginner teams. If a center submits a total of 2 - Junior + Senior teams, they will be allowed to submit up to 3 Beginner teams.

If you are planning on participating, please fill out the Registration form before December 20, 2020.
If necessary, you will be able to cancel your registration until Feb 15, 2021.

REGISTRATION DETAIL:


2. JAB Registration Form needs to be filled **electronically** (one per team) by the JAB Coach or Pathashala Coordinator.

3. Each team, Junior, Senior and Beginner, is required to register separately.

4. You will be able to change any participant’s and coach’s names until **April 15, 2021**. (This Google registration form is editable, and you will be able to update your registration form as you finalize your team).

5. Deadline to withdraw your registration: **February 15, 2021**

6. You can enroll a maximum of eight (8) players per team. However, only 5 players from the team can play the game at a time.

7. Players can be substituted at the beginning of each round (there are 3 rounds per game and each team will play minimum of 3 games).

8. Each team will be required to prepare one complete question packet consisting of 50 Questions and Answers plus extra 3 questions per round. The packet is to be submitted electronically only to Shweta.Daftary@Jaina.org by **March 1, 2021**.

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**Do not send question packet to any other e-mail address and do not share your questions to anyone else outside your team members because your team questions may be used for other center’s team competition game.**

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**JAB COMPETITION MATERIAL (JAB MANUAL):**

The Jain Academic Bowl Manual, also known as *A Compendium of Jainism*, is compiled using all Jain Pathashala textbooks and reference books of JAINA Education Material.

- The JAB manual contains 6 sections:
- Basics, Philosophy, Conduct, Rituals, History: Sect and Literature, and Stories.
- It is a 400+ page manual, and all JAB questions will be created using this manual. All questions developed in the team packets should be based off the content in the JAB manual.
- The latest version of JAB manual, version 2020, will be used for JAB 2021 tournament
- **For Beginner Team and Junior Team, Chapters B.11, B.12, B.13, B.14, C.5, C.8, C.9, E.1, E.2 are excluded from the competition.**
- **For Senior Team, No Chapters are excluded; the entire manual is included for the competition.**

You can find all JAB tournament related information at the link below. The new version of JAB Manual is in the process of completion and will be uploaded soon. [https://jainelibrary.org/JAB/](https://jainelibrary.org/JAB/)
You can buy the manual using following link (cost of the manual is $10.00 + postage)

http://www.jainlibrary.org/shopping/select_destination.php

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*Please forward any JAB related questions or concerns to the 2021 JAB representatives at jab@jaina.org*