OFFICIAL RULES

1. Schools attending the SNAP 66th Annual Convention may participate in the competition. Only one team per school is allowed. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31!** You will receive confirmation from the SNAP office when your registration is received. If you DO NOT receive confirmation, please contact the SNAP office at (717)671-7110 or email snap@snap-online.org. Please bring a copy of your confirmation email to the Challenge Bowl Sign Up Table. **Your team will not be entered without this document.**

2. Each team must consist of five participants, but may include one alternate participant. **ALL TEAMS MUST COMPLETE REGISTRATION FOR CONVENTION AND SIGN IN AT THE CHALLENGE BOWL TABLE BY 2:30 PM.** At least five participants must be present at the beginning of the competition at 3:00 p.m. in order to compete. If your school is called and you are not available to begin the competition, the team will forfeit their right to compete. All participants must be members of SNAP/NSNA.

3. Each participant will have his/her own button to depress to answer the questions.

4. The entire question and answers will be read by the moderator.

5. The first participant to hit his/her buzzer will have the opportunity to have his/her team answer the question within 5 seconds of pressing the buzzer. If the buzzer is depressed before the entire question is read, that team loses the opportunity to answer that question. The opposing team may answer the question after the moderator reads the question in its entirety and then the answers. The opposing team may buzz in at any time during the reading of the answers. The team must answer immediately after the last answer is read.

6. Participants may hit the buzzer during the reading of the answers by the moderator. The team must answer the question within 5 seconds of hitting the buzzer. If an incorrect answer is given, the other team may answer the question after the moderator reads the question in its entirety and then the answers. The opposing team may buzz in at any time during the reading of the answers. The team must answer immediately after the last answer is read.

7. The total number of rounds in the competition will depend on the number of teams entered to participate.

8. With the exception of the final round that will determine the winner of the competition, each round will consist of nine (9) questions. The final round will consist of fifteen (15) questions.

9. The team that answers the most questions correctly in that particular round will be deemed the winner.

10. The teams competing in each round will be chosen by lottery. In the event that there are an uneven number of teams competing, the last team selected by lottery will compete against the losing team with the highest score for their particular round after all other rounds are played.

11. Any inappropriate behavior, language or unsportsmanlike conduct by any participant will result in disqualification of the entire team from the competition.

12. All decisions relating to the competition will be made by the independent volunteer moderators, scorers/time-keepers, and their decision is final.

13. All participating teams are expected to attend and participate in all convention activities, such as the House of Delegates, workshops and keynote address.

14. An award and trophy will be presented to the winning team at the Awards’ Banquet. The winning team will receive six complimentary tickets to the Awards Celebration Reception.