

## Rules and Regulations for the 2021 Great Lakes Online Chinese Quiz Bowl

### Check-In

- 9:15—9:45 AM Online registration and check in
- 10:00—10:30 AM: Preliminary round competitions
- 11:30 AM: Final Round Competitions

### Eligibility

#### Teams

Teams must consist of two participants from the same middle school or high school. Schools may enter up to nine teams (18 participants) per division.

#### Geographic Eligibility

Schools should be within a 50-mile radius of one of the following universities or school districts: Cleveland State University, Michigan State University, St. Cloud State University, University at Buffalo, Wayne State University, or Western Michigan University. Students affiliated with the East Central Ohio Educational Service Center are also eligible.

#### Linguistic eligibility

Eligible team members include only middle and high school students who are non-native speakers and non-heritage learners\*of Chinese and who have not lived or stayed in China for more than a combined total of 30 days. \* "Heritage learners" are defined those in whose homes Chinese or any Sino-Tibetan language is used by any household member to communicate – even on occasion. Please consult with the GLCQB Advisory Committee if you have questions about eligibility by emailing [brenderj@gmail.com](mailto:brenderj@gmail.com). Any team discovered with a native speaker or heritage learner will forfeit all matches and its respective school and coach may be barred from future GLCQB competitions for up to two years.

#### Level eligibility: Divisions

Each team can participate in only one of the following divisions at either the respective middle school or high school level:

Division I - designated for students who have not yet completed a full year of Chinese study.

Please consult the GLCC website regarding previous study of Chinese.

Division II - designated for students who have not yet completed two full years of Chinese study.

Division III – designated for students who have not yet completed three full years of Chinese study.

Division IV – designated for students who have not yet completed four full years of Chinese study.

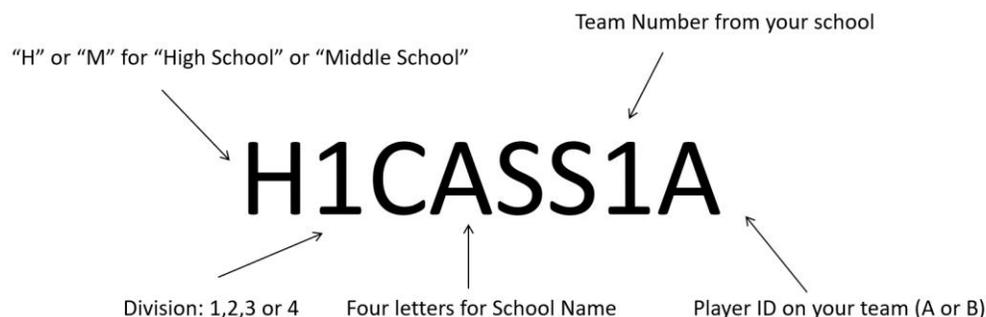
High school students who are registered in second, third, or fourth-year Chinese need not count

previous middle or elementary school study in determining their appropriate division. Middle School and high school students enrolled in Chinese 1 but who have had more than one previous year of Chinese should consult the GLCQB board for consideration at [brenderj@gmail.com](mailto:brenderj@gmail.com)

### Technical Requirements and Preparation

Students are recommended to have a computer with online accessibility along with an iPhone or android device. It is also possible to participate using two phones or two computers, two iPads, two tablets, or any combination thereof. For the sake of answering questions quickly and for maximum points, however, participants are discouraged from operating between tabs on a single device.

Students must temporarily change their Zoom screen names and Kahoot names to the name assigned by the GLCQB committee. These names will be ascribed at least 24 hours before competition and sent to coaches and contestants by email. Naming rules will ensure efficient score tabulation and will be assigned as follows:



For legal reasons, Zoom links for each division will be sent to *coaches only*, the day before competition. The Zoom link for each division will also be made available on the GLCC website at: [glcc2020.org](http://glcc2020.org). A Kahoot game pin will be provided upon checking in before competition. You must use the provided name as your Kahoot ID.

Please check in at your assigned, online room between 9:15 and 9:45 AM, prior to the preliminary competition. Each preliminary competition begins at 10 AM. You may turn off your camera and audio after checking but you should be ready to participate by 9:55 AM.

Middle School and High School teams in the same division (1, 2, or 3) will play together, but their scores will be tabulated separately to determine separate middle school and high school rankings (hence the initial “M” or “H” designations on Zoom and Kahoot names). It is extremely important to enter your designation properly so that scores can be sorted accordingly. Failure to correctly designate Zoom or Kahoot names on your devices may result in disqualification.

### Preliminary Round

Judges will only admit contestants designated on their rosters to their respective Zoom room. *Coaches and spectators are not allowed.* Team members who arrive late to a match will not be admitted.

Contestants must keep video and audio functions on during competition. Judges will monitor

contestants to ensure fairness.

Each student must play individually, in isolation from others. Scores will be combined for each team by adding the final number of points earned by each team member. Talking, consulting, and assistance from others will not be allowed.

The preliminary round will take about 20 minutes.

There are 25 multiple-choice questions in the preliminary round.

Please be advised that using computerized software designed by Kahoot, students are awarded more points for quicker, correct responses than for slower, correct responses. No points are awarded for incorrect responses or for not answering questions within the prescribed 20 second period.

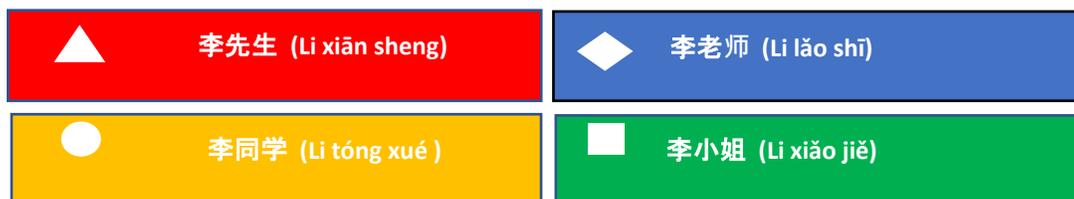
### Questions

Each team will play a preliminary round, consisting of 25 multiple choice questions. The top four teams in each match will be invited to participate in the final round.

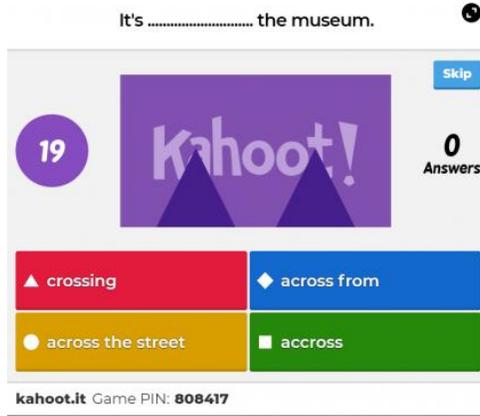
Of the 25 questions, 12 will be based on topics designated for their division, which may include topics designated for lower divisions. Additionally, there will be five geography questions, and eight Chinese character recognition questions. Please see “Topics by Levels” on the glcc website for details.

An example of a basic, multiple choice question with answers might be displayed as follows:

You are meeting your new Chinese teacher whose family name is “李 (Li)”. Which of the following would be the most correct way to address him/her?



Answers that appear on the monitor will be coded according to color and shape. Contestants simply answer each question by touching the corresponding color/shape on their mobile or other second device. An example of a monitor with a question and possible answers is on the left; the mobile device with corresponding selections is on the right:



For divisions 2-4, designated phrases from the “Learn a Chinese Phrase” video series may constitute up to 30% of all questions, including Chinese character recognition questions. These videos are available on youtube at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ciwsu> A list of phrases by division is available on the GLCC website at [glcc2020.org](http://glcc2020.org)

An example of a “Learn a Chinese Phrase” question might be:

John is very forgetful and often loses such things as his keys, cellphone, or wallet. Which of the following phrases from the “Learn a Chinese Phrase” video series would best describe John’s absentmindedness?

- 丢三落四 diū sān là sì
- 很聪明 hěn cōngmíng
- 三天打鱼，两天晒网 sān tiān dǎ yú , liǎng tiān shài wǎng
- 有一只鸟 yǒuyī zhī niǎo

Geography questions pertain exclusively to China and may consist of the following:

- Chinese provinces
- Provincial capitals
- Location of provinces within China (north, south, east, west)
- Major rivers in China
- Mountain ranges in China
- Autonomous regions
- Administrative regions
- Municipalities
- Countries that border China and their general location

For the character recognition section, a character or set of characters will be presented in simplified script on the left and in traditional script on the right. Students must then select one of four possible answers that includes BOTH the correct pinyin and the correct English translation.

An example question with possible answers is as follows:

## 汽车 / 汽車

- a) qìchē / truck    b) huǒchē / train  
b) qìchē / car    d) huǒchē / car

Only answer B is correct, because it contains both the correct pinyin AND the correct English translation.

The judges' decisions are final and should not be challenged during competition. If there is a concern or question about the competition, the team member or other team-affiliated person must talk with his/her team coach.

If the team coach is unable to respond to the concern or question, the team coach should talk to the GLCQB Competition Troubleshooter (Mr. Xinren Yu). Team members, coaches, and team-affiliated people **MUST NOT** directly challenge the decision of a judge. If this occurs, the student or school may be disqualified immediately and/or from next year's GLCQB competition.

Concerns or allegations of cheating may also be brought to the judge, but evidence should be provided.

### **Prizes**

First through fourth place trophies will be sent to coaches at respective, winning schools in each division, along with individual medals for each winning contestant.