

# Coaches' Comments



## Why do students participate in Knowledge Bowl?

- Knowledge Bowl offers a place to belong; a place to be successful; a place where it is okay to be smart.
- The camaraderie that the students have with one another is wonderful to watch. Some students may have made life-long friends through Knowledge Bowl participation.
- KB provides a great social network for students who aren't involved in other activities.
- Students like to test their knowledge & use their brains in a fun, competitive way.

## How does KB benefit students?

- The team spirit, the challenging questions, the competition among neighboring districts, and the friendships made all contributed to relevant learning opportunities for our students.
- Students practice after school, during their noontime activity and lunch and ask to be taken out of classes so they can practice more. Their enthusiasm for learning rises dramatically with Knowledge Bowl.
- Students recognize that knowledge is important and valued and something to be celebrated and recognized.
- Students make friends, gain confidence, learn to work with others, develop leadership skills. They learn to recognize their own & others' strengths & challenges.
- Knowledge Bowl is definitely high level. The questions challenge the most advanced students. These are the same kids who sometime complain that school is not meaningful to them because in their words "we know most of the stuff already." However, they anxiously await KB practices and meets.
- KB promotes academics. Students pay attention and work harder in school so they can do well at KB meets.