EXPLANATIONS FOR QUIZ BOWL BRACKETING

1. What happens if I only have three teams competing in quiz bowl?

   **Answer:** See Example Below:

   Draw for positions.

   **Team 1** would compete against **Team 2** - **Team 2** Wins
   **Team 2** would compete against **Team 3** -

   If **Team 2** would win against **Team 3**, they would be announced **Winner Overall** and you would have Team 1 compete against Team 3 to determine 2nd Place.

   If **Team 3** wins, **Team 3** would be the **Winner Overall** because they beat the team (Team 2) that beat the other team (Team 1). Team 2 would be second place since they beat Team 1 earlier.

   This is the fastest and simplest way to set up a competition with only 3 teams.

2. What happens if I have 5, 6 or 7 teams for bracketing?

   **Answer:** Set up a bracket and draw for positions. Keep in mind that if you bracket over 4 teams, you will need 8 brackets. If you only have 5 teams, you will then have to put 3 byes into the hat for drawing position. If you have two teams from the same school you can position them to compete against another school in the first round. See Example Below:

   ![Bracket Diagram]

   **NOTE:** Team 1A and 1B are from the same school

   If you have any questions about contest bracketing, please contact Cheryl Zimmerman, State FFA Executive Director.
BRACKETING QUIZ BOWL CONTEST

If there are one or two teams the bracket would be a two team bracket:

1st Bracket Questions

If there are three or four teams the bracket would be a four team bracket:

2nd Bracket Questions

If there are five, six, seven, or eight teams the bracket would be an eight team bracket:

3rd Bracket Questions

If there are nine through 16 teams you would use a 16 team bracket and then your final bracket (4th) you would use the 4th Bracket Questions.

If there are more than 16 teams, you would use a 32 team bracket. There is no possibility of more than a 32 team bracket, and we expect that there would be no more than a 16 team bracket.

When drawing the brackets, make certain that no byes get drawn together unless absolutely necessary. If you have any questions prior to the contest, please call the FFA Center at (715) 659-4807.