



Fall 2024

Dear Principals/Teachers/Librarians:

We're pleased to offer your students the opportunity to represent Bucks and Montgomery counties in the Scripps National Spelling Bee program in 2025.

Once again, the Region Bee is being sponsored by the Council for the Advancement of Public Schools (CAPS), and the Pennsylvania State Education Association/Mideastern Region (PSEA-MER). Joining us as co-sponsors are the Wissahickon Education Alliance and Mideastern Region Retired.

Your class and school may participate in a school Bee in person or online using the Scripps Spelling Bee platform. The Region Finals will be held on Saturday, March 22 at Wissahickon High School, 521 Houston Rd, Ambler, PA 19002. The champion of our Region Spelling Bee will represent Bucks and Montgomery counties in the 2025 Scripps National Spelling Bee near Washington, DC. Participants will arrive on Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> and depart on Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>. Prizes will be awarded at the regional and national level.

The Bee helps students improve their spelling and gives them the words to shine their light on the world. They will have fun and learn concepts that will help them all their lives. In addition to the academic benefits, students also develop important life skills that will assist them as they advance in school and eventually to successful careers. Viewing the [Bee Week 2024 Recap](#) can help you to understand the opportunities that await your students upon enrollment.

School enrollment in the Bee program for the 2024-2025 year is underway at [spellingbee.com](https://spellingbee.com). The early enrollment fee is \$185 for schools that register before October 31, 2024, and \$199 for the remainder of the enrollment period, which ends on December 31, 2024.

Your registration provides exclusive online access to everything you need to participate:

- **Exclusive online access** to the teachers-only section of [spellingbee.com](https://spellingbee.com)
- **Official competition lists** for use in conducting classroom and school spelling bees
- **The Great Words, Great Works reading list** with all source books, organized by reading level
- **Supplemental vocabulary materials** for classroom and school levels
- **Customizable certificates** for your participants and school champion

- **Britannica Online for Kids:** A one-year subscription to Britannica Online for Kids to award to a participant in your school's spelling bee program. If your school enrolls on or before September 30, your school receives TWO one-year subscriptions to Britannica Online for Kids.
- **Study Materials:** The 4,000-word *Words of the Champions* study guide for school champions that includes the 450-word School Spelling Bee Study List.

Additionally, at the Region Finals, every participant will receive a school champion medal and a swag bag and there will be first, second, and third prize trophies, cash awards, and other prizes.

First time coordinators will find it helpful to check out the [School Enrollment Tutorial](#) – a step-by-step walk-through for educators to help them enroll their school at spellingbee.com.

We look forward to providing this wonderful opportunity to your students. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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