a guide for educators and schools

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Scripps National Spelling Bee®

Harini Logan, the Bee's first Spell-off Champion!

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"it takes a village to raise a champion"

- Harini Logan, 2022 Champion

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of joining the Bee

Enroll your elementary or middle school in the Scripps National Spelling Bee program. Choose to participate with in-person, online and hybrid options. Enrollment is open from August 22 to December 31 and costs \$175 per school.

School Bee Coordinators access study materials and word lists through an online portal of resources and distribute these materials to other educators and students at their schools.

Throughout the fall, educators administer classroom and school spelling bees using resources provided as part of spelling bee enrollment. Schools celebrate school champions who will head off to compete in the next round of their area's spelling bee program.

School champions compete in regional qualifier and regional spelling bees sponsored by regional partners across the country.

Regional champions study for the national competition and register for Bee Week, a week-long celebration of academic achievement filled with events and special programming.

In May, spellers arrive in the Washington, D.C., area to take part in the Bee Week experience, and a national Champion is declared during a nationally televised live broadcast.

Enroll today at spellingbee.com!

Celebrating the 2022 Scripps National Spelling Bee Champion



"This is just such a dream"

Harini Logan

upon winning the 2022 Scripps National Spelling Bee

THANK YOU, EDUCATORS!

April McAdams

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the **beehive**

Crafted with teachers in mind, The Beehive newsletter contains information to help you run a school spelling bee along with educational content from our partners like Merriam-Webster.

2022 Scripps National Spelling Bee you are the key to the Bee

top tools for our VIPs: our educators!

The Scripps National Spelling Bee provides powerful tools for educators and schools to execute a successful and memorable Bee.

The Bee supports my goal to inspire students' love of reading. There might be a child who doesn't want to pick up a book, but they'll dig into a list of words and a dictionary to figure out what they really mean.

> - Courtney Sutton, 3rd grade teacher



check out the rest of our educator resources!



the official book club of the Bee



tools for running classroom and school spelling bees



a reading list for students. broken up by grade level

online testing platform

a tool for conducting a spelling bee via an online test



words of the champions the regional spelling bee study list

the Bee inspires a love of learning in students

Your STUDENTS Will... STRENGTHEN LIFE SKILLS INCLUDING WORK ETHIC

DEVELOP

VOCABULARY

AND LANGUAGE

SKILLS

PRACTICE POISE UNDER PRESSURE

> BUILD CONFIDENCE AND HAVE FUN!

how the Bee shaped me

An interview with Vanya Shivashankar, 2015 Champion

Q : How has the Bee impacted your life?

A: My 10-year spelling competition journey has made an everlasting impact on my life and I've made so many amazing friends and memories along the way. It's really shaped who I am today, and where my interests lie. Competing in the Bee has fostered my curiosity for the world, helped me discover a passion for language and etymology and given me a platform to express myself.

Q : What if someone is hesitant to sign up?

A: I would say why not? It's a great way to make incredible memories, lifelong friends, and develop crucial life skills. Success in the Bee is not when you win, success is when you know you tried your best, had fun, and learned

something new. Have fun with every moment, every word, and every opportunity. It's yours for the taking.

Q : What does your life look like post-Bee?

A: Currently, I'm a rising Senior at Yale University, studying cognitive science and global health and on the track to medical studies. So I've been having a lot of fun with that. My success in the Bee has very much paved the path for me to be able to put my all into where I'm at now. I still love being involved with Scripps and the spelling bees.



where is Zaila now?

The 2021 Champion

Received 5 full-ride scholarship offers from Tulane University, University of Maryland, Louisiana State University, Southern University and Sewanee.

Tweeted by President Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, NASA, Oprah and more!

Honored as the 2021 SportsKid of the Year by Sports Illustrated Kids.

Received the Stan Musial Award for Extraordinary Character.

ZAILA HOLDS THREE QUINNESS WORLD RECORDS FOR BASKETBALL



Most bounce juggles in one minute with four basketballs



Most basketball bounces in 30 seconds with four basketballs Most basketball dribbles at once (tied)

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1925 the bee that started it all

Nine spellers competed in the first Bee, held in Washington, D.C., in 1925. Frank Neuhauser from Louisville, Kentucky, won by correctly spelling the word *gladiolus*.



In the Bee's second year, we declared our first female winner, Pauline Bell, who won by correctly spelling the color *cerise*. We've had 53 female champions and 54 male champions in our history.

2017 the youngest spellebrity

In 2017, at just six years old, Edith Fuller became the youngest speller to secure a spot in the Scripps National Spelling Bee. To qualify, she outspelled 52 other children at the regional competition, spelling such challenging words as... jnana, sarsaparilla and Baedeker.

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