

2016 GAE SPELLING BEE DEADLINES AND DATES



ALERT! Upon enrolling with Scripps online at www.spellingbee.com and upon payment to Scripps National Spelling Bee of the appropriate enrollment fee, the following four levels of competition are necessary in order to participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in the Washington, D.C., area. Please contact your coordinator for the exact date of your school or system Spelling Bee. **A SCHOOL, SYSTEM, OR HOME SCHOOL CANNOT HAVE ITS SPELLING BEE UNTIL AFTER OCTOBER 15, 2015.** See pages 3-6 in the GAE (Georgia) State Spelling Bee *Procedures, Rules, and Regulations (PRR)* at www.gae.org/spellingbee for eligibility.

January 22, 2016

DEADLINE **School Spelling Bees and Home School Association Bees must be held between October 15, 2015 and January 22, 2016.**



Please plan alternate dates for inclement weather.

February 12, 2016

DEADLINE System Spelling Bees
Home School Multi-Association Spell-Off



ALERT! Complete the **Qualifier's Form(s)** on pages 14 and 15, and mail to your **District Spelling Bee Consultant.**

February 27, 2016

10:00 a.m. GAE Districts 1 – 9 & Georgia Independent School Association (GISA) Bees



REMEMBER! In case of inclement weather in your area on the date of your District Spelling Bee, please contact your District Consultant **PRIOR** to attending.

March 25, 2016

11:00 a.m. GAE State Spelling Bee
Georgia State University–Student Center
Atlanta, GA

May / June 2016..... Scripps National Spelling Bee

PREFACE

August 2015

Dear Spelling Bee Coordinator:

The spelling bee committee of the Georgia Association of Educators (GAE) has been planning for another successful spelling bee program for the 2015-2016 school-year. GAE is again proud to offer Georgia students an opportunity to exhibit their proficiency in the art of spelling. If a participant is successful at the school system level, then he/she will have the opportunity to advance to the district competition. The district winners and runners-up compete in the state spelling bee with the state winner advancing to the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

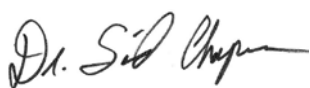
This school year, 2015-2016, the Scripps' National Spelling Bee "Early Bird" enrollment period is August 14, 2015 - October 15, 2015. For students to be eligible to compete in the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee, their schools/home schools must be enrolled and they must have paid the Scripps enrollment fee by the deadline of October 15, 2015. You can enroll online with Scripps at www.spellingbee.com. If you enroll before October 15, your school will receive a free one year online subscription to Britannica. A "Standard" registration fee for schools/home schools (includes a \$75 late fee) will apply between October 16, 2015 and December 11, 2015. No registrations will be taken after December 11, 2015.

To ensure a successful local spelling bee, it is important for you to utilize the products and resources described in the *Procedures, Rules, and Regulations (PRR)* on page 31 and to follow the GAE official procedures, rules, and regulations for spelling bees, which are listed on pages 7-10. To access Georgia's State Spelling Bee (*PRR*) go to www.gae.org/spellingbee. **NOTE: According to Scripps, their spelling bee rules apply only to the competition at the national level; therefore, please refer to Georgia's rules in this PRR.**

Please note that this year we are strongly suggesting the implementation of one beginning vocabulary round in order to better assist our students in preparing to compete at nationals. Schools can access a vocabulary round through their Scripps' registration. GAE will be implementing the beginning vocab round at the county, district and state levels. We feel our students must begin to learn the actual dynamics of spelling rather than just simple rote word memorization.

The spelling bee consultants/committee and I hope you have a great year planning and implementing your bee!

HAPPY S-P-E-L-L-I-N-G!!!



Dr. Sid Chapman, President
Georgia Association of Educators

The
Georgia Association of Educators

would like to give a special



to
Georgia State University

for

hosting the 2015
GAE State Spelling Bee

*The
GAE Spelling Bee Committee*

would like to give



Special Thanks

to

Paula Phelps and Elaine Stephens

for

*their many years of untiring dedication as
Spelling Bee Committee Consultants*

to their students in

GAE Bee Districts Six and Eight.

All the best in your new endeavors!

CONGRATULATIONS!



Monisha Mahadevan

Age 14, Eighth Grade

Woodward Academy

Fulton County, GA

Kal Mahadevan, Mother

Maha Mahadevan, Father

STATE SPELLING BEE CHAMPION

March 20, 2015

Georgia State University

Georgia Association of Educators' State Spelling Bee Committee

DISTRICT GISA SPELLING BEE WINNER

February 28, 2015

Atlanta Academy

2000 Holcomb Woods Parkway

Roswell, GA 30076

Congratulations, Monisha
On an outstanding performance
and for tying for 39th place at Nationals!

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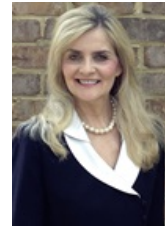
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SPELLING BEE OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Spelling Bee are to:



- help students spell quickly and accurately;
- enhance the student's understanding of vocabulary in relation to spelling;
- promote students' correct word usage in meaningful activities;
- help students correct misspelled words automatically;
- help students learn to compete;
- provide an environment to promote students' self-esteem, character development, and sportsmanship; and
- help students learn the dynamics of actual spelling versus simple rote memorization.

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SCRIPPS NATIONAL SPELLING BEE

This school year, 2015-2016, the Scripps' National Spelling Bee "Early Bird" enrollment period is August 14, 2015 - October 15, 2015. For students to be eligible to compete in the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee, their schools/home schools must be enrolled and they must have paid the Scripps \$136/\$94 enrollment fee by the deadline of October 15, 2015. You can enroll online with Scripps at www.spellingbee.com. If you enroll before October 15, your school will receive a free one year online subscription to Britannica. A "Standard" registration fee for schools/home schools of \$211/\$169 (includes a \$75 late fee) will apply between October 16, 2015 and December 11, 2015. **SCRIPPS WILL NOT ENROLL SCHOOLS AFTER DECEMBER 11, 2015.** See pages 23-29 for school/system eligibility.

Benefits to Schools that Pay the Fee

Along with satisfying an eligibility requirement for students, enrollment provides the following benefits:

-  For schools paying the \$136 fee, the spelling bee coordinator will receive online access to a password-protected Web site where he or she may print out copies of the *2016 School Pronouncer Guide*, the *2016 Classroom Pronouncer Guide*, the *2016 School Spelling Bee Study List*, the optional 2016 Supplemental Vocabulary materials and Great American SpellCheck materials.
-  For home school families paying the \$94 fee, the family will receive online access to a password-protected Web site where it may print out copies of the *2016 Classroom Pronouncer Guide*, the *2016 School Spelling Bee Study List*, the optional 2016 Supplemental Vocabulary materials and Great American SpellCheck materials.

GAE Spelling Bee Products and Resources

It is important for you to follow the GAE official procedures, rules, and regulations for your spelling bee which are given online on pages 7-10. According to Scripps National Spelling Bee, local spelling bee officials should check with their state spelling bee officials for the rules in effect in the GAE Spelling Bee. **Scripps' rules, at the local level, are not recommended; therefore, GAE will not render a decision relating to the conduct of local spelling bees using Scripps' spelling bee rules.**








Please see GAE Spelling Bee "Products" and use the GAE Spelling Bee "Order Forms" on pages 33-34 for spelling bee supplies.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

for
Public, Charter, GISA, Online/Virtual,
Parochial, Private, and Home School Associations

For a student to participate in the 2016 GAE District, State, and Scripps National Spelling Bees, the student's school or home school /association must enroll online at www.spellingbee.com and must have paid its enrollment fee of either \$136 or \$94 to Scripps National Spelling Bee between August 14, 2015 and October 15, 2015. After October 15, if a school or home school association is late in paying, a late fee of \$75 will apply. **SCRIPPS WILL NOT ENROLL SCHOOLS AFTER DECEMBER 11, 2015.** See pages 23-29 for school/system eligibility.

A student who meets the above requirement and the following criteria may participate in the Bees:

-  The speller must not have won a Scripps National Spelling Bee championship in the Washington, D.C area.
-  The speller must attend a school that officially enrolled with the Scripps National Spelling Bee between August 14, 2015, and December 11, 2015.
-  The speller must not have passed beyond the eighth grade on or before February 1, 2016.
-  The speller must not have repeated any grade for the purpose of extending spelling bee eligibility. If the speller has repeated any grade, the speller must notify the Scripps National Spelling Bee of the circumstances of grade repetition by March 31, 2016; and the Scripps National Spelling Bee will, in its sole discretion, determine the speller's eligibility status on or before April 30, 2016.
-  The speller—or the speller's parent, legal guardian, or school official acting on the speller's behalf—must not have declared to another entity an academic classification higher than eighth grade for any purpose, including high school graduation equivalency or proficiency examinations and/or examinations such as the PSAT, SAT, or ACT.
-  The speller must not have earned the legal equivalent of a high school diploma.
-  The speller must not have completed nor ever been enrolled in more than six high school-level courses or two college-level courses on or before April 30, 2016.

- 🐝 The speller must not bypass or circumvent normal school activity to study for spelling bees. The Scripps National Spelling Bee defines normal school activity as adherence to at least four courses of study other than language arts, spelling, Latin, Greek, vocabulary, and etymology for at least four hours per weekday for 34 of the 38 weeks between August 25, 2015, and May 16, 2016.
- 🐝 The speller must not have reached his/her 15th birthday on or before August 31, 2015.
- 🐝 The speller must have been declared a champion of a final local spelling bee on or after February 1, 2016.
- 🐝 The speller must not have been disqualified at any level of a sponsor's spelling bee program between July 2015 and April 2016. Further, if the speller becomes disqualified at any level of a sponsor's spelling bee program before April 2016, the speller will be disqualified from competing in the Scripps National Spelling Bee and may not seek advancement in the Bee program through another sponsor and/or enrollment in another school.
- 🐝 The speller, upon qualifying for the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee in the Washington, D.C. area must submit a completed Champion Bio Profile, a signed Certification of Eligibility Form, a signed Appearance Consent and Release Form, and a hard copy photo. The speller will notify the Bee, at least 24 hours prior to the first day of competition in the Scripps National Spelling Bee, if any of the statements made on the Certification of Eligibility Form are no longer true or require updating. The speller's sponsor will provide access to the necessary forms. The Scripps National Spelling Bee may disqualify prior to or during competition any speller who is not in compliance with any of the above Eligibility Requirements; and it may—at any time between the conclusion of the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee and April 30, 2017—require any speller who is found to have not been in compliance with any of the Eligibility Requirements to forfeit any prizes, rank, and other benefits accorded to the speller as a result of participation in the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee.

PUBLIC, CHARTER (System or County), GISA, AND ONLINE/VIRTUAL SCHOOLS

An eligible public, charter, GISA, or online/virtual school that has paid the \$136 enrollment fee to Scripps National Spelling Bee shall hold a school spelling bee **after October 15, 2015, and on or before January 22, 2016**. The individual school winners shall participate in the Bee conducted by the system to which their school reports **on or before February 12, 2016**. The winner of the system bee shall participate in the district spelling bee for the area in which he/she is enrolled in school. It is the responsibility of the school or the system to be sure the qualifier's form(s) is received by the GAE district consultant by **February 16, 2016**, and assure the winner(s) gets to the district bee on **February 27, 2016**. The winner(s) will represent the system (e.g., Cobb County, Dooly County, Rome City, Houston County, etc.).

NON-GISA PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

To qualify for the GAE district bee, a parochial school that **is not** a member of the Georgia Independent School Association (GISA) and has paid the \$136 enrollment fee to Scripps National Spelling Bee shall hold a school spelling bee **after October 15, 2015, and on or before January 22, 2016**. If there are four (4) or more parochial schools in a district, the parochial schools must have a spell-off **on or before February 12, 2016**, and send the top three (3) spellers, who must be from three (3) separate enrolled schools to the district bee. If there are three (3) or fewer parochial schools in a district, each parochial school will send a winner to the GAE district bee. The parochial school shall forward the qualifier's form(s) to the GAE district consultant by **February 16, 2016**. It is the responsibility of the parochial school(s) to assure the winner(s) gets to the GAE district bee on **February 27, 2016**.

NON-GISA PRIVATE SCHOOLS

To qualify for the GAE district bee, a private school that **is not** a member of the Georgia Independent School Association (GISA) and has paid the \$136 enrollment fee to Scripps National Spelling Bee shall hold a school spelling bee **after October 15, 2015, and on or before January 22, 2016**. If there are four (4) or more private schools in a district, the private schools must have a spell-off **on or before February 12, 2016**, and send the top three (3) spellers, who must be from three (3) separate enrolled schools to the district bee. If there are three (3) or fewer private schools in a district, each private school will send a winner to the GAE district bee. The private school shall forward the qualifier's form(s) to the GAE district consultant by **February 16, 2016**. It is the responsibility of the private school(s) to assure the winner(s) gets to the GAE district bee on **February 27, 2016**.

HOME SCHOOLS

You will be notified by email if your school will need to conduct a **spell-off. ***

To qualify for the GAE district bee, the home school association must pay the \$136 enrollment fee or \$94 per home school family to Scripps National Spelling Bee. The Home School shall hold a school spelling bee **after October 16, 2015, and on or before January 22, 2016**. Enrolled home school families must compete with a home school association, if applicable. If there are four (4) or more home school associations/organizations in a district, the associations/organizations must have a **spell-off*** **on or before February 12, 2016**, and send the top three (3) spellers, who must be from three (3) separate enrolled home school associations to the district bee. If there are three (3) or fewer associations/organizations in a district, each association/organization will send a winner to the GAE district bee. The home school association/organization shall forward the qualifier's form(s) to the GAE district consultant by **February 16, 2016**. It is the responsibility of the home school association(s)/organization(s) to ensure the winner(s) gets to the GAE district bee on **February 27, 2016**.



IMPLEMENTING YOUR SPELLING BEE

NOTE: Spellers, parents, teachers, and spelling bee officials are encouraged to read these rules prior to any spelling bee. Spelling bee officials are the caller, judges, coordinator, and sponsor. These rules are designed to assist spelling bee officials and spellers at the local level. **These rules and regulations are not the rules in effect at the Scripps National Spelling Bee. The National Spelling Bee operates under a different set of rules called the *Contest Rules of the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee*.** These rules contain provisions that are specific to unique conditions at that event. Their implementation at the local level is not recommended. The Scripps National Spelling Bee has no authority over Georgia local spelling bees.

GAE OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL, SYSTEM/COUNTY, DISTRICT, AND STATE LEVEL SPELLING BEES

1. The National Spelling Bee conducts its Bee in both oral and written formats. This includes both spelling and multiple-choice vocabulary. The state is permitted to use either format. Currently, our State Bee is conducted exclusively orally and includes vocabulary. This format was chosen because the final levels in the National Bee are totally oral.
2. **See *Student Eligibility Requirements*. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian, local school officials, GAE representatives, and Scripps representatives to verify the eligibility of all Spelling Bee participants.**
3. The Spelling Bee study materials are available **free** online when the school/association has paid Scripps National Spelling Bee the enrollment fee. The school will receive access to a password-protected Web site where it may obtain PDF versions of study materials from Scripps National Spelling Bee. Word lists will be developed from words found in the *Webster's Third New International Dictionary* and its Addenda Section, copyright 2002, Merriam-Webster and not exclusively from study guides.
4. **Please note Rule Change:** If only one speller in a round spells correctly, that speller will be declared a finalist. All spellers eliminated in that round will resume spelling in their original order until only one spells correctly. That speller will be declared the other finalist. If all spellers are eliminated in a round, those spellers will be reinstated and resume spelling in their original order until the two finalists have been determined according to rules 15.
*** Have a seating section just offstage for students to sit while waiting until the end of each round to see whether they will be called back up.**

5. In the Bee, **SPELLERS SHALL PRONOUNCE THE WORD BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER SPELLING IT**; however, no speller will be eliminated for failing to pronounce a word. Failure to capitalize a word or recognize grammatical markings will not be penalized.
6. When a speller fails to spell a word correctly, he or she must step out of the Bee; and a **different** word shall be given to the next speller.
7. After having started to spell a word, the speller **SHALL NOT** be given any opportunity to change the letters, once pronounced. The speller may **retrace** the letters of the word from the beginning only, provided no letters or their sequence are changed from those first pronounced. If letters and/or their sequence are changed in the respelling, then the speller shall be eliminated.
8. The speller may ask the caller to say the word again, define it, use it in a sentence, provide the part of speech, give alternate pronunciation and/or provide the language of origin of the word before attempting to spell it. Root word questions will not be entertained by the caller or judges. **No other information about the etymology or history of a word shall be provided.** The caller shall grant all such requests until the judges agree that the word has been made reasonably clear to the speller. **The judges may disqualify any speller who ignores a request to start spelling.**
9. If no definition of a homonym is provided by the caller, the correct spelling of either word shall be accepted. When a definition or sentence is given, the speller must spell the correct word.
10. **The judges will determine if the word was spelled correctly and if incorrect will provide the correct spelling.**
11. *Webster's Third New International Dictionary* and its Addenda Section, copyright 2002, Merriam-Webster, shall serve as the final authority for the spelling of words. If more than one spelling is listed for a word that the caller has provided for the speller to spell, any of these spellings shall be accepted as correct if all of the following three criteria are met: (1) the pronunciations of the words are identical, (2) the definitions of the words are identical, and (3) the words are clearly identified as being standard variants of each other. Spellings at other locations having temporal labels (such as *archaic*, *obsolete*), stylistic labels (such as *substand*, *nonstand*), or regional labels (such as *North*, *Midland*, *Irish*) which differ from main entry spellings not having these status labels shall not be accepted as correct.
12. **Words shall be pronounced according to the diacritical markings in *Webster's Third New International Dictionary* and its Addenda Section, copyright 2002, Merriam-Webster.**

13. ANY QUESTION RELATING TO THE PROCEDURES OR THE SPELLING OF A WORD SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE JUDGES IMMEDIATELY. THE DEADLINE FOR MAKING AN OBJECTION IS BEFORE THE AFFECTED SPELLER WOULD HAVE RECEIVED HIS OR HER NEXT WORD HAD HE OR SHE STAYED IN THE BEE.

NO OBJECTION SHALL BE ENTERTAINED AFTER THE BEE IS TERMINATED. AN OBJECTION MAY BE FILED BY A PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AFFECTED SPELLER. THIS DESIGNATED PERSON IS THE ONLY ONE WHO MAY OBJECT ON BEHALF OF THE SPELLER DURING THE BEE. ONLY THE DESIGNATED PERSON FOR A SPELLER MAY VOICE AN OBJECTION FOR HIS OR HER SPELLER, AND THE OBJECTION CAN RELATE ONLY TO HIS OR HER SPELLER.

TO OBJECT PROPERLY, ONLY THE DESIGNATED PERSON SHOULD STAND AND REMAIN STANDING UNTIL RECOGNIZED BY THE GAE SPELLING BEE COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE WILL IMMEDIATELY INFORM THE JUDGES WHO WILL HEAR THE OBJECTION AT THAT TIME.

14. The judges and the GAE Spelling Bee Committee are in complete control of the Bee. THEIR DECISION SHALL BE FINAL ON ALL MATTERS.

COMPETITION BETWEEN TWO FINALISTS

(Please Note: Georgia's Rules Differ from Scripps)

15. When a round results in only two spellers who have correctly spelled their words, they will be declared the finalists. The last person eliminated before the finalists are determined will be considered the alternate.
16. When one finalist misses a word, the other finalist will spell the next word on the caller's list. If the contestant spells that word and the next word on the list correctly, he or she will be declared the winner. If he or she misspells either of those two words, the other finalist will be given the next word on the caller's list to spell. If that finalist spells the next word and the next correctly, he or she will be declared the winner. If both finalists misspell their word, both shall continue in the Bee and the one who first misspelled his or her word shall be given the next word on the caller's list to spell. The Bee shall then resume under Rule 15.

17. **OBJECTING:** WHEN ONLY TWO SPELLERS REMAIN, AN OBJECTION MUST BE MADE IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THE SECOND SPELLER HAS STARTED SPELLING THE WORD GIVEN HIM OR HER.

NO OBJECTION SHALL BE ENTERTAINED AFTER THE SECOND SPELLER HAS STARTED SPELLING THE WORD OR AFTER THE COMPETITION IS TERMINATED. AN OBJECTION MAY BE FILED BY A PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AFFECTED SPELLER. THIS DESIGNATED PERSON IS THE ONLY ONE WHO MAY OBJECT ON BEHALF OF THE SPELLER DURING THE BEE. ONLY THE DESIGNATED PERSON FOR A SPELLER MAY VOICE AN OBJECTION FOR HIS OR HER SPELLER, AND THE OBJECTION CAN RELATE ONLY TO HIS OR HER SPELLER.

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18. The judges and the GAE Spelling Bee Committee are in complete control of the Bee. **THEIR DECISION SHALL BE FINAL ON ALL MATTERS.**

19. **TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2016 DISTRICT, STATE, AND SCRIPPS NATIONAL SPELLING BEES, THE SPELLER'S SCHOOL/ASSOCIATION MUST HAVE PAID THE REQUIRED ENROLLMENT FEE TO SCRIPPS.**

20. NO AUDIO RECORDING, VIDEO RECORDING, PHOTOGRAPHY, WEBCASTING OR STREAMING OF THE GAE STATE SPELLING BEE IS PERMITTED WITHOUT EXPRESSED PERMISSION. FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED BEFORE OR AFTER THE BEE AND DURING THE PRACTICE ROUND.

21. IN FAIRNESS TO THE CONTESTANTS, WHO ARE ALREADY AT VARIOUS LEVELS OF NERVOUSNESS, EXTRANEOUS NOISE FROM E.G., SMALL CHILDREN, EXCESSIVE COMING AND GOING, TALKING, ETC., COULD POSE A DISTRACTION AND PROVE VERY UNFAIR TO THEM DURING THEIR MOMENTS IN THE SUN. PLEASE RESPECT THE BEE PROCESS AND THE PARTICIPANTS AND DO WHAT'S NECESSARY TO ELIMINATE SUCH DISTRACTIONS.

RULES MAY CHANGE AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL!



PREPARING YOUR SPELLING BEE



2016 GAE District Spelling Bee **Qualifier's Form**

To participate in a District Spelling Bee, system winner(s) must complete this Qualifier's Form. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT **LEGIBLY** IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AND COMPLETE ALL PARTS. Be sure to provide all required signatures. This form is to be received by your **District Spelling Bee Consultant** not later than **Tuesday, February 16, 2016**. The system bee coordinator is responsible for forwarding this form with photo.

Please use only blue or black ink.

Please check only one: Public Charter (System or County) Online/Virtual

Home School GISA Private (non-GISA) Parochial (non-GISA)

System _____ **District No.** _____

Please check only one: Qualifier Alternate

Name _____ Female Male

Home Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____ E-mail _____

Birthdate _____ Age _____ Grade level _____

Mother's Name _____ Father's Name _____

Occupation _____ Occupation _____

Mother's Work Number _____ Father's Work Number _____

Mother's Email _____ Father's Email _____

Non-Medical Contact Name and Number _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ School Phone _____

Briefly describe student's school interests, activities, and honors: _____

Name of District Advocate _____
(Circle One) – parent, guardian, school representative

Advocate's Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Advocate's E-mail _____

Do you have any special needs that affect your ability to perform in the Bee (i.e., hearing impairment, wheelchair, etc.)? If yes, please explain: _____
(Please note: Neither GAE, nor the GAE Spelling Bee Committee, will be responsible for any cost/expense related to needs expressed above.)

I certify that the information provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge and that the qualifier meets all eligibility requirements.

I hereby authorize the Georgia Association of Educators, hereafter referred to as "GAE," to publish photographs taken of me as well as my name and likeness, for use in GAE's print, online and video-based marketing materials, as well as other GAE publications. I hereby release and hold harmless GAE from any reasonable expectation of privacy or confidentiality associated with the images specified above.

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Print Name of Qualifier _____

Signature of Qualifier _____

Print Name of Parent or Guardian _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

Print Name of System Bee Coordinator _____

Signature of System Bee Coordinator _____

System Bee Coordinator's Email _____

Telephone No. _____

SCHOOL OR SYSTEM SPELLING BEES

1. **EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM SPELLING BEE CHAIRPERSON SHOULD BE A CURRENT GAE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE GAE LOCAL ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT.**
2. Each school in a system that has paid its enrollment fee to Scripps is required to hold its own bee after October 15, 2015 and no later than the established January 22, 2016 deadline.
3. Each system (public, charter [county or system], online/virtual, parochial, private, home school association) is required to hold its own bee on or before the established **February 12, 2016, deadline** for system level Bees. **Please contact your spelling bee coordinator for the exact date of your school or system Spelling Bee.**
4. All spellers should be present at least 30 minutes before the stipulated start time, but no bee shall begin before its stipulated hour.
5. **The number of qualifiers allocated to each system for the district spelling bee is determined by the **District Eligibility Equalization Formula** (pages 24 and 28). It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian, local school officials, GAE representatives, and Scripps representatives to verify the eligibility of all spelling bee participants.**
6. Suggestion to spelling bee coordinator for system: Print the **Qualifier's Form** (making as many copies as needed) for the qualifier(s) and alternate to complete before leaving the site after the system bee. (See pages 12, 13 and 24).

The qualifier(s) in each system must submit a **Qualifier's Form** with photo to the **system spelling bee coordinator**.

The system spelling bee coordinator must send the District Spelling Bee **Qualifier's Form(s)** to the **District Spelling Bee Consultant** (see page iii), **and it/they must be received by February 16, 2016. The **Qualifier's Form(s)** must be complete with all required signatures.**

7. The judges and Spelling Bee Officials are in complete control of the Bees. **THEIR DECISION SHALL BE FINAL ON ALL MATTERS.**
8. **All electronic devices must be turned off during the bee.**

IN THIS DOCUMENT, PLEASE SEE
IMPORTANT TIPS
for
SYSTEM BEE ORGANIZERS!
ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE
SYSTEM SPELLING BEE COMMITTEE

1. Verify **student eligibility requirements**.
2. Plan and implement the system spelling bee.
3. Establish a date and site for the system spelling bee. Be sure that the facility:
 - a. has adequate lighting;
 - b. has sufficient space to accommodate the spellers, officials, and audience;
 - c. has a noiseless environment with good acoustics;
 - d. has a good public address system; and
 - e. has two systems that will provide clear audio and/or visual recordings of the Bee.
4. Your GAE **District Spelling Bee Consultant** must receive the name(s) of the system qualifier(s) by Tuesday, FEBRUARY 16, 2016. Please fill-out the **Qualifier's Form** completely.
5. See that the system qualifier(s) receives the date and site of the District Spelling Bee.
6. Ensure that the system qualifier(s) has a printed copy of the official GAE 2015-2016 *Procedures, Rules, and Regulations*.
7. In case of inclement weather or change in system Spelling Bee site or date, notify the system organizers and qualifier(s) promptly.

TIPS FOR BEE ORGANIZERS

Based on comments we have received from sponsors, parents, teachers, and spellers, a **DO** and **DON'T** list is provided to facilitate the success of your Bee.

1. **DO** verify that **school and student eligibility requirements** have been met.
2. **DO go over the rules and regulations with Bee officials prior to the Spelling Bee.**
3. **DO** use *Webster's Third New International Dictionary* and its Addenda Section, copyright 2002, Merriam-Webster as the final authority for all spelling words.
4. **DON'T** change boundaries in mid-competition, i.e., switch word lists, go to another level of difficulty mid-round, etc.
5. **DO resolve each dispute or objection as soon as possible.** If a parent or teacher has a complaint, listen attentively and learn from the experience. The parent or teacher may not receive the answer that he or she wants, but knowing that the sponsor is concerned with fairness and prompt action usually has a calming effect.
6. **DO** remind Bee officials that fairness and common sense prevail. It is easier to handle a problem immediately than to attempt righting a wrong after a champion has been declared.
7. **DO** conduct a practice round; and a vocabulary round is **HIGHLY** recommended.
8. **DO** have a caller and three judges; plan for a back-up caller and judges.
9. **DO** have two systems that will provide clear audio and/or video recordings of the Bee. Be sure to check systems for sound clarity.
10. **DO** make clear the role of the caller is:
 - (1) to pronounce the word and give all information requested by the speller (e.g., sentence, definition, word origin, etc.);
 - (2) to inform the speller, once the judges cue him/her, that the word was spelled correctly; and
 - (3) to repeat the correct pronunciation if he or she feels the speller is pronouncing the word incorrectly, but he/she may not inform the speller that he/she is mispronouncing the word.

TIPS FOR BEE ORGANIZERS (continued)

11. **DO** make clear the role of the judges is:
 - (1) to make sure the speller has pronounced and spelled the word correctly;
 - (2) to indicate when the speller spells a word incorrectly and provide the correct spelling; and
 - (3) to request a re-pronunciation from the speller until he or she feels the word has been made reasonably clear.

12. **DO** make clear the role of the speller is:
 - (1) to gather as much information as possible to help spell the word correctly, and
 - (2) to spell the word correctly.

13. **DO** have Spelling Bee certificates, lapel pins and medallions that may be purchased. Please see **Spelling Bee Order Forms on pages 32-33**.

14. **All electronic devices must be turned off during the bee.**

15. **Please refer to our Bee Guide and FAQs at our website – www.gae.org/spellingbee - for additional information.**

DISTRICT LEVEL SPELLING BEES

1. The number of qualifiers allowed each system for the district spelling bee is determined by the District Eligibility Equalization Formula (see **Spelling Bee Districts** and the Equalization Formula on page 28).
2. The GAE **District Spelling Bee Consultants** will conduct bees in the nine GAE Spelling Bee Districts and the **GISA unit**.
3. The date, time, and place for the **district spelling bee sites** will be established by authorized persons of the GAE Spelling Bee Committee.
4. Associations may defray the expenses for their district winner and official advocate to participate in the state bee in Atlanta.
5. **All District Spelling Bees shall be held on February 27, 2016. The name of the District Winner, Runner-Up, and Alternate shall be forwarded by the District Spelling Bee Consultant to GAE Spelling Bee and shall be received by March 5, 2016.**
6. If only one system participates and holds a bee within a district, the GAE Spelling Bee Chairperson must be notified; and the winners shall represent the district in the state competition.
7. Only the district winner and runner-up will be eligible to participate in the State Spelling Bee. In case of illness or other providential reasons, the alternate shall be eligible to replace either contestant.
8. **Photographing and videotaping during the bee is restricted to the professional news media and sponsor's staff; however, flash photography of contestants by others is permitted only before and after the bee.**
9. **All electronic devices must be turned off during the bee.**



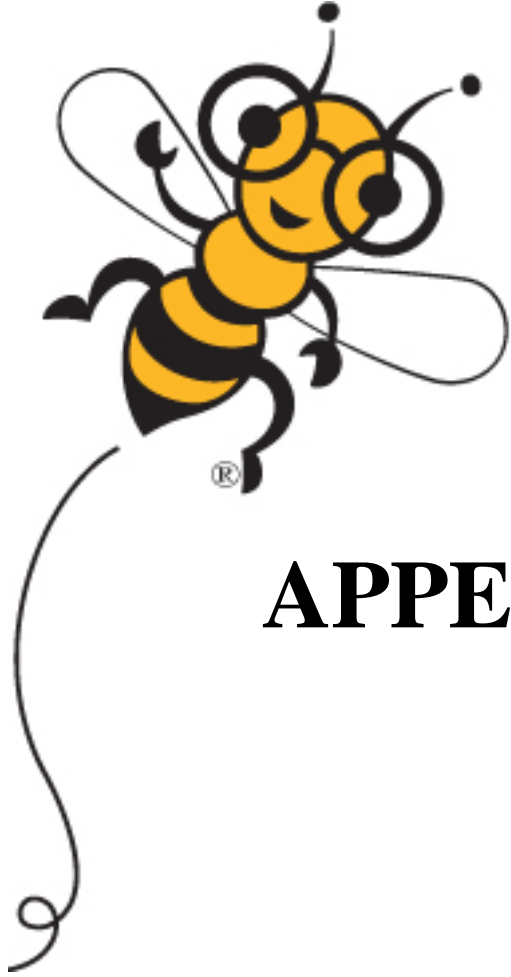
**PARTICIPATING
IN YOUR
STATE AND NATIONAL
SPELLING BEE**

STATE LEVEL SPELLING BEE

1. Participation in the State Bee will be limited to the winner and runner-up from each of the nine GAE Spelling Bee Districts and the GISA Unit that officially enrolled with Scripps National Spelling Bee.
2. **The State Bee will be held on Friday, March 25, 2016, 11:00 a.m., at Georgia State University – Student Center in Atlanta.**
3. The GAE Spelling Bee Committee shall be responsible for organizing and conducting the State Bee.
4. The winner and runner-up from each of the nine GAE Spelling Bee Districts and the GISA Unit bees shall come to Atlanta for the State Bee with an adult as his/her official advocate.
5. The designated person to officially advocate (parent, legal guardian, school representative) for each Qualifier is to register and will be seated in a special section at the State Bee.
6. Essential expenses will be paid for the winner of the Georgia Association of Educators State Bee to participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee. The GAE Spelling Bee Committee will designate the winner's official advocate.
7. **Photographing and videotaping during the Bee is restricted only to the professional news media and sponsor's staff only; however, flash photography of contestants by others is permitted only before and after the Bee and during the practice round.**
8. **All electronic devices must be turned off during the Bee.**

NATIONAL SPELLING BEE COMPETITION

1. The Georgia Association of Educators State Spelling Bee representative (state winner) in the Scripps 2016 National Spelling Bee will have met all **student eligibility requirements**.
2. The state bee winner shall be accompanied by one official advocate selected by the GAE Spelling Bee Committee to the Scripps National Spelling Bee.
3. **The National Spelling Bee will be held May/June 2016.**
4. Scripps National Spelling Bee shall be responsible for organizing, establishing the rules of operation, and conducting the National Spelling Bee.
5. Scripps National Spelling Bee shall provide all participants in the National Spelling Bee with sightseeing opportunities.
6. Scripps National Spelling Bee will award at least \$85,000 total in cash prizes to participants in the national contest.

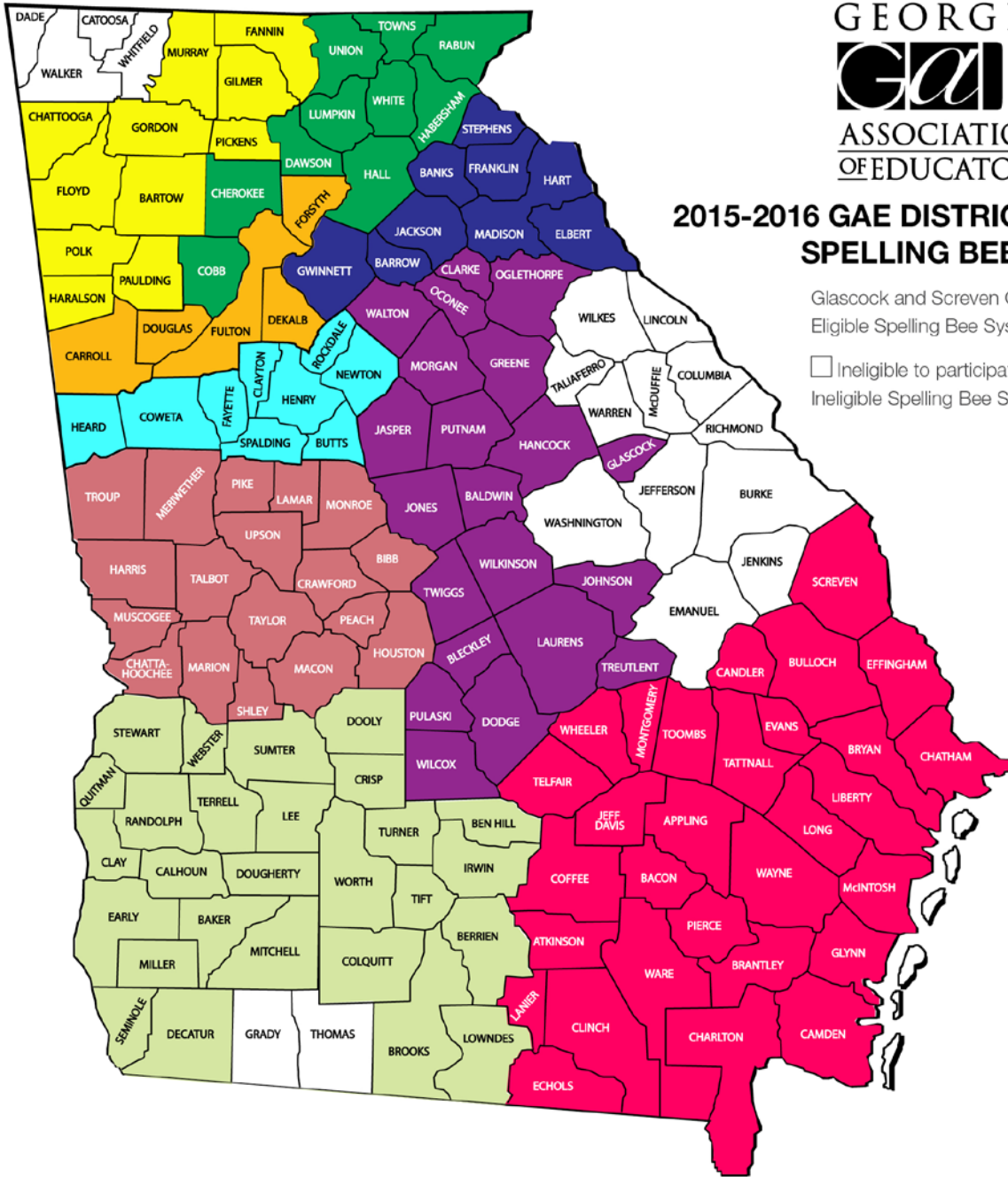


APPENDIX

**2015-2016 GAE DISTRICT ELIGIBILITY
 SPELLING BEE MAP**

Glascok and Screven Counties are now eligible.
 Eligible Spelling Bee Systems on page 24.

Ineligible to participate.
 Ineligible Spelling Bee Systems on page 28.



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DISTRICT 9
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2015-2016 ELIGIBLE SPELLING BEE SYSTEMS

(If your system is eligible to send more than one representative, the number is in parentheses.)

(*New to GAE Bee, **In different District from last year)

DISTRICT 1

Bartow|
 Calhoun City
 Cartersville City
 Chattooga
 Fannin
 Floyd
 GA School-Deaf
 Gilmer
 Gordon
 Haralson**
 Murray
 Paulding (2)**
 Pickens**
 Polk**
 Rome City
 Trion City

DISTRICT 2

Cherokee (3)
 Cobb (9)
 Dawson
 Gainesville City**
 Habersham
 Hall (2)
 Lumpkin
 Marietta City
 Towns
 Rabun
 Union
 White

DISTRICT 3

Banks
 Barrow
 Buford City
 Commerce City
 Elbert
 Franklin
 Glascock
 Gwinnett (13)
 Hart
 Jackson
 Jefferson City
 Madison
 Stephens

DISTRICT 4

Atlanta City (4)
 Carroll
 Carrollton City
 Decatur City
 DeKalb (7)
 Douglas (2)
 Forsyth (3)**
 Fulton (7)

DISTRICT 5

Butts
 Bremen City
 Clayton (4)
 Coweta (2)
 Fayette (2)
 Griffin-Spalding
 Heard**
 Henry (3)
 Newton
 Rockdale

DISTRICT 6

Bibb (2)
 Chattahoochee
 Crawford
 GA Acad.-Blind
 Harris
 Houston (2)
 Lamar
 Macon
 Marion
 Meriwether
 Monroe
 Muscogee (2)
 Peach
 Pike
 Schley
 Talbot
 Taylor
 Thomaston/Upson
 Troup

DISTRICT 7

Clarke
 Baldwin
 Bleckley
 Dodge
 Dublin City
 Greene
 Glascock*
 Hancock
 Jasper
 Johnson
 Jones
 Laurens
 Morgan
 Oconee
 Oglethorpe
 Pulaski
 Putnam
 Social Circle**
 Treutlen
 Twiggs
 Walton**
 Wilcox
 Wilkinson

DISTRICT EIGHT

Appling
 Atkinson
 Bacon
 Brantley
 Bryan
 Bulloch
 Camden
 Candler
 Charlton
 Chatham (3)
 Clinch
 Coffee
 Echols
 Effingham
 Evans
 Glynn
 Jeff Davis
 Lanier
 Liberty
 Long

McIntosh
 Montgomery
 Pierce
 Screven*
 Tattnall
 Telfair
 Toombs
 Vidalia City
 Ware-Waycross
 Wayne
 Wheeler

DISTRICT NINE

Baker
 Ben Hill
 Fitzgerald
 Berrien
 Brooks
 Calhoun
 Clay
 Colquitt
 Cook
 Crisp
 Decatur
 Dooly
 Dougherty
 Early
 Irwin
 Lee
 Lowndes
 Miller
 Mitchell
 Pelham City
 Quitman
 Randolph
 Seminole
 Stewart
 Sumter
 Terrell
 Tift
 Turner
 Valdosta City
 Webster
 Worth

2016 DISTRICT SPELLING BEE SITES

District	GAE District Bee Consultants Contact Information (Send District Qualifier forms to them)	GAE District Spelling Bee Sites To be held on February 27, 2016
1	<p style="text-align: center;">Christy Davis 20 Elaine Drive Cave Spring, GA 30124 (706) 236-1849 Work (706) 844-6737 Cell (706) 802-6776 FAX christydavis@floydboe.net Facebook: Georgia District One Spelling Bee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Floyd Co. Board of Education Central Office Board Room 600 Riverside Parkway, NE Rome, GA 30161 (706) 234-1031</p>
2	<p style="text-align: center;">Barbara C. Baylor 4339 Wood Creek Drive Marietta, GA 30062 (404) 906-1051 (770) 977-1845 Home (770) 928-5548 FAX barbara.baylor@cobbk12.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mabry Middle School 2700 Jims Road Marietta, GA 30062 (770) 928-5546</p>
3	<p style="text-align: center;">Sabrina Masters 2604 Masters Road Dacula, GA 30019 (770) 963-0634 (Home) mastersspelling@gmail.com Twitter: twitter.com/District3Bee</p>	
4	<p style="text-align: center;">Susan M. Tallant 3555 Spot Road Cumming, GA 30040 (770) 889-9896 Home spellingtallant@gmail.com Facebook: GAE District 4 Spelling Bee Twitter: Spellingtallant Instagram: Spellingtallant</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DeKalb Co. Board of Education 1701 Mountain Industrial Boulevard Stone Mountain, GA 30083 (678) 676-1360</p>

5	<p>Dr. Mariah S. Buchanan 5981 Heatherwood Lane Riverdale, GA 30296 (770) 997-3459 HOME mariah.buchanan@clayton.k12.ga.us</p>	<p>Sequoyah Middle School 95 Valley Hill Road SW Riverdale, GA 30274 (770) 515-7524</p>
6	<p>Dr. Rhonda R. Moulder 103 Brantley Ridge Warner Robins, GA 31088 (478) 218-4566 (Home) (478) 218-4566 (Work) dgmoulder@yahoo.com</p>	<p>C.W. Pettigrew Community Center 1005 State University Drive Fort valley, GA 31030 (478) 825-6478</p>
7	<p>Melvin Sanders 103-B Valley Rd. Southwest Eatonton, GA 31024-6515 (706) 485-7417 Home (706) 923-2808 FAX (706) 485-7090 FAX MSRSanders@AOL.Com</p>	<p>Putnam County Elementary School 314 S. Washington Avenue Eatonton, GA 31024 (706) 485-5312</p>
8	<p>Dr. Keenya G. Mosley 3219 College Street Box 20275 Savannah, GA 31404 (912) 358-4204 Office (912) 272-4156 Mobile Drmosley83@gmail.com</p>	<p>Savannah State University Student Union Ballroom 3219 College Street Savannah, GA 31404</p>
9	<p>Jeanette Grimsley P.O. Box 1796 Bainbridge, GA 39818 (229) 248-1812 (Home) (229) 220-7378 (Cell) (229) 248-2255 (Fax) jgrimsley@dcboe.com</p>	<p>Jones Wheat Elementary 1401 E. Shotwell Street Bainbridge, GA 39819 (229) 248-2218</p>
GISA	<p>Robin Aylor PO Box 1057 Thomaston, GA 30286 (706) 938-1400 robin@gisaschools.org</p>	<p>Contact GISA for its Bee date. The Atlanta Academy 2000 Holcomb Woods Parkway Roswell, GA 30076 (706) 938-1400 (GISA Office)</p>

DISTRICT ELIGIBILITY EQUALIZATION FORMULA

In an effort to equalize the representation within the District Bees, especially for the larger systems, the GAE Spelling Bee Committee utilizes the following equalization formula. The formula is based on the Department of Education's Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) counts for grades four through eight for the previous year. This formula guarantees each system at least one representative at its District Bee and up to 13 based on its eligible enrollments.

FTE	Qualifiers
1 – 7,500 =	1
7501 – 12,500 =	2
12,501 – 17,500 =	3
17,501 – 22,500 =	4
22,501 – 27,500 =	5
27,501 – 32,500 =	6
32,501 – 37,500 =	7
37,501 – 42,500 =	8
42,501 – 47,500 =	9
47,501 – 52,500 =	10
52,501 – 57,500 =	11
57,501 – 62,500 =	12
62,501 – 67,500 =	13
67,501 – 72,500 =	14

Please see 2015-2016 **Eligible Spelling Bee Systems** on page 24 for the number of qualifiers your school system is eligible to send to the District Spelling Bee. If your system is eligible to send more than one representative, the number is in parentheses.

2015-2016 INELIGIBLE SPELLING BEE SYSTEMS

Scripps National Spelling Bee has declared all public, charter, GISA, online/virtual, parochial, private, and home schools in the following school systems as **ineligible to participate** in the GAE Spelling Bees.

Burke	Lincoln
Catoosa	McDuffie
Chickamauga City	Richmond
Columbia	Taliaferro
Dade	Thomas
Dalton City	Thomasville City
Emanuel	Walker
Grady	Warren
Jefferson County	Washington
Jenkins	Whitfield
	Wilkes

2015-2016 ELIGIBLE SPELLING BEE SCHOOLS

GEORGIA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (GISA)

***See contact information on page 26.**

Arlington Christian School	Griffin Christian High School	Savannah Christian Preparatory
Athens Academy		Savannah Country Day School
The Atlanta Academy	Heirway Christian Academy	The Schenck School
Atlanta Country Day School	Heritage Christian Academy	Solid Rock Academy
Atlanta Girls' School	Heritage Preparatory School	Sophia Academy
Atlanta International School	The Heritage School	Southland Academy
Atlanta Speech School	Highland Christian Academy	Southwest Georgia Academy
	High Meadows School	Springmont School
The Bedford School	Holy Innocents' Episcopal School	St. Andrew's School
Berry Elementary & Middle School	Holy Redeemer Catholic School	St. Benedict's Episcopal Day
Bethesda Academy	Holy Spirit Preparatory School	St. Francis School
Bethlehem Christian Academy	The Howard School	St. George's Episcopal School
Brandon Hall School		St. John the Evangelist Catholic
Brookstone School	John Hancock Academy	St. Jude the Apostle School
Bulloch Academy	John Milledge Academy	St. Martin's Episcopal School
		Stratford Academy
Chatham Academy at Royce	King's Ridge Christian School	Strong Rock Christian School
Christ the King School		The Swift School
Chrysalis Experiential Academy	LaGrange Academy	
Citizens Christian Academy	Lakeview Academy	Tallulah Falls School
Cliff Valley School	The Lionheart School	Tattnall Square Academy
Community Christian School	The Little School	Terrell Academy
Cornerstone Christian Academy	Loganville Christian Academy	Tiftarea Academy
The Cottage School	The Lovett School	Torah Day School of Atlanta
Covenant Academy		Trinity Christian School, Dublin
Creeside Christian Academy	Marist School	Trinity Christian Schl, Sharpsburg
Crisp Academy	McGinnis Woods Country Day	Trinity School
Cumberland Academy of Georgia	Memorial Day School	Twiggs Academy
	Mill Springs Academy	
Darlington School	Montessori of Macon	Unity Christian School
The Davis Academy	Mount de Sales Academy	
Dawson Street Christian School	Mount Paran Christian School	Valwood School
Deerfield-Windsor School	Mount Pisgah Christian School	
Dominion Christian Schools	Mount Vernon Presbyterian School	The Waldorf School, Atlanta
	Mt. Bethel Christian Academy	The Walker School
Eagle's Landing Christian Academy		Wesleyan School
Eastminster School	Notre Dame Academy	The Westfield School
Eaton Academy		Westminster Christian Academy
	Oak Mountain Academy	Westminster Schools of Atlanta
Fellowship Christian School	Our Lady of the Assumption School	Westwood School
First Presb. Christian Academy	Our Lady of Victory Catholic	Whitefield Academy
First Presbyterian Day School		Wildwood Christian Academy
Flint River Academy	Pace Academy	Windsor Academy
Frederica Academy	Paideia School	Woodward Academy
The Friends School of Atlanta	Piedmont Academy	
Fugees Academy	Pinecrest Academy	
Fullington Academy	Pinewood Christian Academy	
Furtah Preparatory School	Porter Academy	
	Prince Avenue Christian School	
The Galloway School	Providence Christian Academy	
Gatewood Schools		
George Walton Academy	Robert Toombs Christian Academy	
Georgia Christian School	Rock Springs Christian Academy	
Greater Atlanta Christian School		
Greenfield Hebrew Academy		

SPONSORSHIP

The Georgia Association of Educators (GAE) serves as the sponsoring agency of the Statewide Spelling Bee. No other agency or institution can serve as sponsor of the Spelling Bee including system and district bees; however, support is welcomed from businesses, institutions, and other agencies as long as the Spelling Bee remains under the auspices of the Georgia Association of Educators and its Consultants.

2016 STATE SPELLING BEE CONTRIBUTORS



Samuel Louis Sugarman





2015-2016 GAE SPELLING BEE PRODUCTS AND RESOURCES

GAE State Spelling Bee Web site: www.gae.org/spellingbee.

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GAE SPELLING BEE PIN

\$5.00 EACH



An exquisite 7/8-inch gold, black and white cloisonné' lapel pin with brass military back fastener designed to reward students for participating in school and system level Bees. See order form @ www.gae.org/spellingbee

FREE ONLINE 2015-2016 PROCEDURES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS

Download @ www.gae.org/spellingbee An essential state resource guide of dates, procedures, rules, regulations, and the qualifier's form is designed to help Bee organizers conduct a more successful Spelling Bee.

GAE SPELLING BEE CERTIFICATES

\$10.00 PER PACKAGE / 25

Beautifully designed 8½" x 11" certificates to be issued to participants of local system spelling bees.

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GAE SYSTEM PRONOUNCER GUIDE (CALL) 678-837-1100

A list of words to be used by the caller at the county/system spelling bee competition **only**. Each word has a definition, sentence, pronunciation, etc. Please call for ordering information.

GAE SPELLING BEE MEDALLION with RIBBON

See order form @ www.gae.org/spellingbee or call 706-846-3294 or see page 33.

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SCRIPPS NATIONAL BEE WEBSITE - www.spellingbee.com

Additional Benefits to Schools that Register with Scripps:

- For schools paying the \$136 fee, the spelling bee coordinator will receive online access to a password-protected Web site where he or she may print out copies of the *2016 School Pronouncer Guide*, the *2016 Classroom Pronouncer Guide*, the *2016 School Spelling Bee Study List*, and Great American SpellCheck materials.
- For home school families paying the \$94 fee, the family will receive online access to a password-protected Web site where they may print out copies of the *2016 Classroom Pronouncer Guide*, the *2016 School Spelling Bee Study List*, and Great American SpellCheck materials.

The Bee's official dictionary is *Webster's Third New International Dictionary* and its addenda section, copyright 2002.



2015-2016 GAE SPELLING BEE ORDER FORM

Name _____

School _____

School Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email _____

Daytime Phone Number () _____

Quantity	Description	Deadline	Price	Total
ONLINE www.gae.org	GAE Procedures, Rules, and Regulations	February 27, 2016	FREE	ONLINE
	GAE Spelling Bee Pin	February 27, 2016	\$5.00	
	GAE Spelling Bee Certificates (25 per pack)	February 27, 2016	\$10.00	
Total Enclosed				

- No phone or credit card orders.
- Please see product descriptions.
- **All proceeds from the sale of these products subsidize the GAE Spelling Bee.**
- Make check payable to **GAE Spelling Bee** and **mail to:**

GAE Spelling Bee
100 Crescent Centre Parkway, Suite 500
Tucker, GA 30084-7050

- To inquire about an order, please call 678-837-1100.

Thank you for your order.

