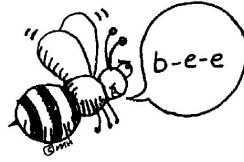


# Universal Spelling Bee



October 14, 2019

Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce the start of Universal School's Spelling Bee. Spelling lists for the **classroom spelling bee** have been made available to your child's teacher. Below you will find the dates that spelling bee events will be held.

**Classroom Spelling Bee: Week of November 25<sup>th</sup> and winners will be made available to Spelling Bee committee on Friday, December 6, 2019.**

**School Spelling Bee: held in the MPR 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> period, on Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

We encourage your child or children to study the words in preparation for the spelling bee. This is a great opportunity for each student to improve their spelling and have fun. Please note there have been some changes to be aware of:

1. Students should be in the habit of saying the word before beginning to spell the word and repeat it upon spelling the word to let the judges know that they have finished spelling the word. Example: Student's word is school, student will say school, spell it s-c-h-o-o-l, and student will say the word school again.
2. Once student begins spelling the word they may decide to start over. They may do so but cannot change the letters that they have already said. Example: school, s-h-o-o-l, student may restart but may not add the letter that was omitted. Student will be disqualified for this error.

The top winners in the classroom will participate in the spelling bee. One student from each class in 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade will then participate in the school spelling bee. The school winner will then represent Universal School at the South Cook Spelling Bee in February.

Parents are welcome to attend the spelling bee. All students who compete in the spelling bee will receive a certificate of participation.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Mrs. Nora Murrar at [nmurrar@universalschool.org](mailto:nmurrar@universalschool.org), Mrs. Dissi at [mdissi@universalschool.org](mailto:mdissi@universalschool.org), or Mrs. Jadalla at [jjadalla@universalschool.org](mailto:jjadalla@universalschool.org).

Sincerely,

Spelling Bee Committee

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