



# IAVA Education Day Bees Presentation



# Why Spelling Bee?

- Help students improve their spelling
- Increase their vocabularies
- Learn language concepts
- Develop correct English usage that will help them all their lives

**Excel in communication**



# What is the Scripps National Spelling Bee?

- A competition for kids in 1st-8th grade
- Conducted for 90+ years
- During Memorial Day weekend in Washington DC
- 11 million kids compete in spelling bees all around the US
- Only around 300 make it to the nationals

**After IAVA, It could easily be you!**



# Structure of IAVA's Bee

- Written Test (we are anticipating to only use this if there are enough spellers competing)
  - 25 Spelling Words
  - Pronouncer will say words out loud and provide all information
  - Speller should write the word on a piece of paper provided
- Preliminary Round (separated: Grades 2-5 and Grades 6-8)
  - two rounds of spelling
  - if you miss, you are eliminated
  - from the 300-word list
- Grand Finale (separated: Grades 2-5 and Grades 6-8)
  - spell until we have the last few winners
  - single-elimination
  - from off the list



# What is in for YOU at IAVA Spelling Bee?

- You learn a lot of new words.
- You increase your self-confidence
- You improve your comprehension and school grades
- You show-off your hard work to your near and dear ones

**You will be ready to compete at Scripps!**



# What should you do before IAVA spelling bee?

- Familiarize with the rules of the spelling bee
- Study the word list for your category
- Practice spelling words out loud – engage your family
- Prepare for off-list words – Be friends with Dictionary

**Enjoy your learning experience!**



## What to expect on the day of the spelling bee?

- Relax! Have a good meal!!
- Review the list one last time
- Arrive 30 minutes before the start of the competition
- Follow the instructions from the volunteers

**Remember to have a LOT of fun!**



# How can I get to Scripps National Spelling Bee

- Win Classroom, School, County and Regional Spelling Bees
- Use the study sources
  - Spell It ([myspellit.com](http://myspellit.com))
  - School List (released every year)
  - 5000 SAT Words
  - Words, words, everywhere!
- Participate in Minor League Spelling Bees
  - North South Foundation ([northsouth.org](http://northsouth.org))
  - South Asian Spelling Bee ([southasianspellingbee.com](http://southasianspellingbee.com))
  - For those in 4th grade or younger: MastiSpell ([mastispell.com](http://mastispell.com))





# Math Bee



Math Bee Level 1: Grades 3, 4, and 5

Math Bee Level 2: Grades 6, 7, and 8



# Math Bee Rules

## Phase I:

- 25 questions in 40 minutes
- Scratch paper will be provided
- Contestants will be required to return the answer sheet at the end of the testing session
- Everybody will move onto Phase II



# Math Bee Rules (contd.)

## Phase II:

- 20 questions, 90 seconds each
- Questions will be projected onto a screen
- No questions will be seen again once the next question is presented
- Questions will be called out



# Math Bee Rules (contd.)

## Extra Notes:

- No calculators or similar aids will be allowed
- All papers will be given to the proctors at the end of the testing sessions
- Illegible writing is open to interpretation, so write clearly
- There will be no partial credit