

Southeast Service Cooperative

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TO: School Spelling Bee Coordinators

FROM: Kirsten Kuehl, Regional Spelling Bee Coordinator RE: 2009-10 Spelling Bee - Deadlines and Information

Spelling Bee Coordinators,

By now most of you have registered your school(s) for the Spelling Bee **through Scripps** (www.spellingbee.com). The deadline for enrollment with them was October 16, 2009. A late enrollment period from October 17 – December 18 is offered, but subject to a late enrollment fee of \$75 per school.

REGISTRATION WITH SCRIPPS...What do you get?

With the \$99.00 fee paid to Scripps, you will receive unlimited online access to all of their study materials and various word lists. Your enrollment provides you with the following online resources:

- 2010 Classroom Pronouncer Guide
- 2010 School Pronouncer Guide
- 2010 Spell It!
- Study words for each grade level (grades 1-8)
- Great American SpellCheck materials
- From Encyclopaedia Britannica, a free one-year subscription to the <u>Britannica Online for Kids</u> (a \$69.95 value) for use as a prize in your spelling bee program.
- Award certificates
- Key information about your local spelling bee program

A SOUTHEAST STUDENT WILL GO TO THE NATIONAL BEE!



McNeilus Steel, Inc. and **KM Telecom** are co-sponsors. Their generous contributions enable us to conduct a final Spelling Bee for our *region*. The champion of our final will win an all-expenses-paid trip to compete in the 2010 Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, DC.



There are two (2) Regional Spelling Bees on Tuesday, February 16. The top six spellers from each Regional competition will advance to the Southeast Minnesota Final Spelling Bee on Tuesday, March 2, 2010.

REGIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION (WITH SOUTHEAST SERVICE COOPERATIVE)

To participate in our Regional Spelling Bee, districts may register one participant for every 1000 K-12 students in the district. *The Regional Spelling Bee is for students in grades 5-8.* Districts with less than 1000 students may register one participant.

REGISTRATION FEE TO SOUTHEAST SERVICE COOPERATIVE

The registration fee is \$95.00 (payable to Southeast Service Cooperative) <u>per regional participant</u>. Schools will be invoiced for this fee.

SSC will supply school districts with ribbons (1st, 2nd, 3rd, and District Finalist). **Please indicate how many of** each you need <u>and</u> how many students from your district will participate at the Regional and return the Regional Registration Form <u>by November 20</u>.

TIMELINES

November 20, 2009	Final Regional Registration Deadline (with Southeast Service Cooperative)
December 18, 2009	Final Scripps Late Registration Deadline (extended from 10/16/09)
February 5, 2010	District Spelling Bees must be completed Submit Name(s) of Participant(s) for the Regional competition to SSC
February 16, 2010	Regional Preliminary Spelling Bees (Southeast Service Cooperative) 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM
March 2, 2010	Southeast Minnesota Spelling Bee (Final)
May 2010	Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION AND FORMS

Information and forms are attached to this email and can also be found on our website (www.ssc.coop).

If you have questions or concerns, please contact me (507.281.6670 or email: kkuehl@ssc.coop). I look forward to working with you and your school on Spelling Bee.

Attachments: Regional Registration Form

Volunteer Form (for Regional) 2009-10 District Winners

Certificates

Coordinators' Handbook