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Local students advance to Southeast Minnesota Final Spelling Bee

Two Regional Spelling Bees were held on Tuesday, February 12 at the Southeast Service Cooperative in Rochester. Fifty-Six (56) students participated in the two Regional Spelling Bees. Students from 37 districts throughout southeast Minnesota advanced to compete in the Regional competitions coordinated by the Southeast Service Cooperative.

The top twelve spellers (six from each Spelling Bee) now advance to the Final Spelling Bee on Tuesday, February 26, at 9:00 AM at the Southeast Service Cooperative. The Grand Champion of the Final will advance to the annual Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. on May 26-June 1, 2013.

Students advancing to the Southeast Minnesota Final Spelling Bee are:

Regional Spelling Bee at 9:00 AM

1 st place	Shane DeSilva, Pacelli Catholic Schools, 7 th grade
2 nd place	Devon Nerstad, Spring Grove Public Schools, 8 th grade
3 rd place	Marisa Alvarado, Kasson-Mantorville Public Schools, 8 th grade
4 th place	Christine Farnberg, Rochester Catholic Schools, 6 th grade
5 th place	Olivia Fratianni, Kasson-Mantorville Public Schools, 6 th grade
6 th place	Dylin Danielson, Lanesboro Public Schools, 8 th grade
Alternate 1	Jens Lange, Albert Lea Public Schools, 7 th grade
Alternate 2	Miranda Cox, Mabel-Canton Public Schools, 7 th grade

Regional Spelling Bee at 1:00 PM

1 st place	Emma Bucknam, Winona Public Schools, 5 th grade
2 nd place	Maxfield Brevick, Chatfield Public Schools, 6 th grade
3 rd place	Alyssa Mancilman, Zumbrota-Mazeppa Public Schools, 5 th grade
4 th place	Emma Rector, Rochester Schaeffer School, 7 th grade
5 th place	Jackson Hillmann, Northfield Public Schools, 8 th grade
6 th place	Olivia Sailer, Wabasha-Kellogg Public Schools, 7 th grade
Alternate 1	Anna Weber, Northfield Public Schools, 6 th grade
Alternate 2	Nick Brustuen, Pine Island Public Schools, 8 th grade