



Jackson Public Schools
Office of Professional Development
630 South State Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

TO: K-8 Principals/Spelling Bee Coordinators

FROM: Sonia H. Carter, Special Projects Program Coordinator

SUBJECT: Spelling Bee 2010-2011

DATE: September 21, 2010



The Twenty-first Annual Hinds County Spelling Bee is scheduled for **February 17, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Northwest Middle School auditorium at 7020 Highway 49 North in Jackson.** The Spelling Bee is a joint endeavor of public, private, parochial, and home schools in Hinds County to select a "speller" for the Mississippi Regional Spelling Bee. The *Mississippi Association of Educators* is the sponsor of the State Spelling Bee.

As the Spelling Bee Coordinator, it will be your responsibility to coordinate your school's Spelling Bee. **The program is open to students in grades 4-8. The speller must not have reached his/her 15th birthday on or before September 1, 2010, and must not have passed beyond the eighth grade on or before February 1, 2011.**

All schools are invited to send a representative to the overall Hinds County Spelling Bee. **Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. The Spelling Bee will commence at 9:00 a.m. and should end by 1:00 p.m.** The overall Hinds County winner will participate in the **Statewide Spelling Bee on March 15, 2011, at Mississippi Public Broadcasting, located at 3825 Ridgewood Road in Jackson, Mississippi.**

Like last year, schools will need to register with the National Spelling Bee at www.spellingbee.com in order to be able to participate at the county, state, and national levels. The cost is \$99 per school. **The registration window is currently open until October 15, 2010.** Please register soon in order to receive certain early bird registration benefits and to begin planning your school's Spelling Bee now. **After you have selected a school winner, complete the attached registration form and return it to the Professional Development Office no later than February 1, 2011.**

Thank you for your interest and participation. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email:

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**REGISTRATION
FORM DUE
FEB. 1ST, 2011**

Hinds County Spelling Bee

School Champion Speller Information/Registration Form

Name _____

School _____

County _____ State _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Age ____ Number of Siblings _____

Home Telephone () _____ School Telephone () _____

Cell Telephone () _____

Grade _____ Parent or Guardian _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Winning Words (List Both of Them) _____ and _____

Number of Spellers in This Year's Contest _____

Have You Been in the Hinds County Spelling Bee before YES NO

If yes, how many times and what year(s)? _____

Coordinator or Spelling Bee Official:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Telephone () _____ School Telephone () _____

Cell Telephone () _____ E-mail Address _____

Please return this form by February 1, 2011.

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