

# 2023 NORTH DAKOTA SPELLING BEE DEADLINES

ADMINISTERED BY NORTH DAKOTA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT - SCHOOL AND COUNTY BEE COMPETITONS	
12/31/2022	<b>Deadline for Scripps National Enrollment for Schools @ <a href="http://www.spellingbee.com">www.spellingbee.com</a></b> Scripps 2023 fees are \$175 per school or \$120 per homeschool.
12/31/2022	<b>Deadline for State Enrollment for Schools</b> - Mail enrollment form and check to North Dakota Spelling Bee, C/O Miranda Streifel, 4500 40 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW, Mandan, ND 58554. State 2023 fees are \$75 per school or \$7.50 per student for homeschool (see form).
01/01-01/31/2023	<b>School Level Spelling Bee Competitions Window</b> School competitions should take place during this time with winner(s) advancing to the county competition. Your Scripps school enrollment login and password provides access to word lists and tools.
02/01 – 02/25/2023	<b>County Level Spelling Bee Competitions Window</b> County competitions should take place during this time with the top two finishers qualifying for the state competition. The Scripps Regional Qualifier Competition List for use at the county competition will be emailed to the county coordinator(s) in December.  Handouts for county winners advancing to the state competition should be distributed at the conclusion of the county bee. These will be emailed to the county coordinator(s) at the end of January.

STATE COMPETITOR REGISTRATION	
02/28/2023	Deadline for completing the online <b>State Spelling Bee Student Data Form</b> . One form should be completed per student and can be found at <a href="http://www.northdakotaspellingbee.com">www.northdakotaspellingbee.com</a> .
03/06/2023	Deadline for reserving optional Sunday night lodging at the Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center. Call 701-258-7700 and mention "Spelling Bee" for the room block.
03/20/2023	<b>North Dakota State Spelling Bee at the Bismarck Event Center</b> 315 South 5 <sup>th</sup> St, Bismarck, ND 58504

The North Dakota Spelling Bee website has enrollment information as well as links to online registration forms to be used to register county winners for the State Spelling Bee at [www.northdakotaspellingbee.com](http://www.northdakotaspellingbee.com)

Each county can send two students to the State Spelling Bee. Those students must be from a school that is fully enrolled with **BOTH** national and state prior to the deadlines. If for some reason the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner of the county bee cannot attend the state competition, an alternate can be sent if the student is also from a fully enrolled school.

County coordinators can determine whether they will allow students to compete at the county level competition if they are from schools or homeschools that are not fully registered with both national and state prior to the deadlines. Before students compete at the county level of competition, the county coordinator should inform schools and students whether they are eligible to proceed to the state competition (based on enrollment status).

The State Spelling Bee consists of two parts:

1. **Written Session** – This session includes a multiple-choice vocabulary test as well as spelling words taken from Scripps "2023 Words of the Champions" study guide.
2. **Oral Session** – The 25 students with the highest scores on the written portion (more if there are ties) advance to the oral session. This portion of the competition will determine the champion that will represent North Dakota at the 2023 Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, DC. Please note that the oral session will consist of words from Scripps "2023 Words of the Champions" study guide as well as additional dictionary words that are not included in the study guide.

Please contact me if you have questions or need further assistance.

Thank you for your support and participation in the North Dakota Spelling Bee program!

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