



## SPELLING BEE RULES

- ★ Each team **MUST** consist of no less than three and no more than four members from the same grade.
- ★ Words used in the Spelling Bee rounds will be selected from the lists of words posted on the Foundation for Westwood Education website. All teams from each grade should expect to study all of the words.
- ★ The moderator will pronounce the word, use it in a sentence, and pronounce the word once more. Be careful to listen closely, for the word provided may be used in its plural form or another verb tense.
- ★ The word will be repeated *one* additional time if requested by a team. A team must raise their hand to request a word to be repeated.
- ★ Team members may collaborate on the spelling of the word. Each team will print the word legibly on the white board that is provided to each team. All teams will complete the writing of the word within 20 seconds and will be instructed to put their markers down and their boards up at that time.
- ★ Upon misspelling a word, the team will be eliminated. If all remaining teams misspell the word, then all teams will be eliminated and that will conclude the round.
- ★ All teams in a round remain on stage until the round is completed.
- ★ The winning team of each round will then compete in a final round to determine the champion for that grade. If all teams misspell a word in the final round, another word will be given until a final team is declared champion for that grade.
- ★ All participants will receive a certificate of participation. Members of the winning team for each grade level will receive a prize.
- ★ Copies of wordlists and/or papers of any kind, other than blank paper provided, are not allowed on the stage during the competition.