

54TH
ANNUAL



SAN DIEGO COUNTY
SCRIPPS REGIONAL

spelling
bee

Thursday, March 14, 2024
Jackie Robinson YMCA



Mihir Konkapaka

2023 San Diego County Regional
Spelling Bee Winner
Mesa Verde Middle School

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WELCOME TO THE 54th ANNUAL



Congratulations on making it to the 2024 San Diego County Scripps Regional Spelling Bee, presented by ABC 10News, and our supporters: San Diego County Credit Union, San Diego County Office of Education, Fusion Academy, and the Jackie Robinson Family YMCA.

We are proud of all the hard work you put in to participating this year. You are one of eleven million students nationwide who embarked on an incredible journey to become a spelling bee champion!

We know it takes passion, dedication, and perseverance to get here. No matter the path your journey takes, know that you have not only improved your spelling and increased your vocabulary, but also learned new concepts and developed a proper use of the English language. These are important skills that will help you throughout your life!

We are also grateful to your families and school partners, who encouraged and supported your road to the bee.

The Scripps National Spelling Bee is a proud tradition, over 90 years in the making, that celebrates both learning and language. We're so glad you're a part of the "buzz" that makes the San Diego County Scripps Regional Spelling Bee a success, year after year.

Congratulations,

Leon Clark
Vice President & General Manager
KGTV - ABC 10News, San Diego

MISSION STATEMENT

Though they may compete for a single prize, we will recognize every student who participates as a champion promoting excellence, preparing minds for success while learning confident communication.

VISION

The vision of the San Diego County Scripps Regional Spelling Bee is to certify that every student values their potential for learning while ensuring they feel like a champion because they have the courage to compete.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:00 a.m.

Opening Remarks and Welcome

Melissa Mecija and Jared Aarons

Morning Anchors, ABC 10News

Leon Clark

Vice President and General Manager, ABC 10News

Alicia Muñoz

Board Member

San Diego County Board of Education

Recognition of Sponsors

9:20 a.m.

Overview of rules and procedures for spellers

9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.*

Spelling Bee competition & trophy presentation

*Conclusion time for the Spelling Bee is tentative and subject to change due to results of competition within rounds.

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2024 PARTICIPANTS



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Adrianna Ta
VALLEY MIDDLE



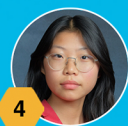
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Ahmad Shefa Hamed
MONTGOMERY MIDDLE



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Allison Mah
PACIFIC RIDGE SCHOOL



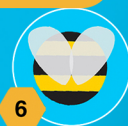
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Ashley Bae
ESCONDIDO ADVENTIST ACADEMY



5

Averi Alexander
BEAR VALLEY MIDDLE



6

Axel Barriga
SMYTHE ELEMENTARY



7

Benjamin Evans
TWIN PEAKS MIDDLE



8

Benjamin Heredia
FINNEY ELEMENTARY



9

Bodie Glazier
R. ROGER ROWE MIDDLE



10

Cameron Arcilla
SPRINGS CHARTER CHULA VISTA TK-8TH



11

Caroline Blasy
ST. THERESA ACADEMY



12

Caroline Cristilli
SAN MARCOS MIDDLE



13

Charlotte Escobar
ST. ROSE OF LIMA



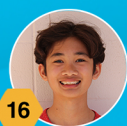
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Ciaran Hoffman
THE GRAUER SCHOOL



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Corinne Thomas
DIMENSIONS COLLABORATIVE



16

Deven Doan
ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL



17

Dominic Hall
JULIAN JUNIOR HIGH



18

Duaa Ouznali
BRIGHT HORIZON ACADEMY



19

Elijah Harris
HILLTOP MIDDLE



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Ella Desrosiers
SPARROW ACADEMY



21

Elyn Park
SOLANA RANCH ELEMENTARY



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Emidy Chapa
FARB MIDDLE



23

Emilie Lesage
LANGUAGE ACADEMY



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Emma Blanco
LA MIRADA



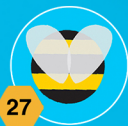
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Faith Ang
CHALLENGER MIDDLE



26

Fiona Sweeney
THE NATIVITY SCHOOL



27

Gabriel Arango
URBAN DISCOVERY ACADEMY



28

Giselle Moreno Roque
SAN YSIDRO MIDDLE



29

Greyson Andrunas
SAN ELIJO MIDDLE



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Ivy Wingerter
OPTIONS SECONDARY



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Jake Allen
HILLSDALE MIDDLE



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Jane Getz
HERITAGE JUNIOR HIGH



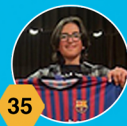
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Jasper Cluggish
MAGNOLIA SCIENCE ACADEMY SAN DIEGO



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Jayden Huynh
PREUSS SCHOOL UCSD



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Jayden Sullin
MONTGOMERY MIDDLE



36

Joelle Gerbrandt
MARANATHA CHRISTIAN



37

Jonathan Nguyen
ST. COLUMBA SCHOOL



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Julia Andersen
PERSHING MIDDLE



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Julia Carvalho Pasquito
ENCINITAS COUNTRY DAY



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June Maloney
CALVIN CHRISTIAN



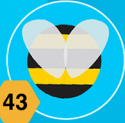
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Kaya Parker
CORREA MIDDLE



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Kenadie Elm
SAN PASQUAL UNION



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Kevin Shreve

LA MESA ARTS ACADEMY



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Kourtney Tiernan

ST CHARLES BORROMEO



45

Kymani Mailo

HARRIET TUBMAN VILLAGE CHARTER



46

Leevi Duschane

CASTLE PARK MIDDLE



47

Leif Bolen

HIDDEN VALLEY MIDDLE



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Lilou Briere

CARMEL VALLEY MIDDLE



49

Luca Dominguez

LE LYCEE FRANCAIS DE SAN DIEGO



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Lucas Krystek

MARSTON MIDDLE



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Lydia Shenvi

STANDLEY MIDDLE



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Madeline Dunphy

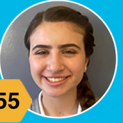
ST. JOHN SCHOOL



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Maia Logan

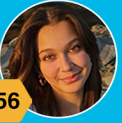
CHRIST CHURCH DAY



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Marcella Steele

OUR LADY OF GRACE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



56

Mariajose Navarrete

BONITA VISTA MIDDLE



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Madeline Michael

SANTA SOPHIA ACADEMY



57

Maritza Rangel

WILLOW ELEMENTARY



58

Matthew Larrabure

ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY



59

Max Ramos

LITERACY FIRST CHARTER



60

Max Wojciechowski

DIEGUENO MIDDLE



61

Maximus Lucas

EL GAMINO CREEK ELEMENTARY



62

Mia Hoiles

ST. JAMES ACADEMY



63

Michaela Oettinger

AVIARA OAKS MIDDLE



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Mihir Konkakapa

MESA VERDE MIDDLE



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Natalie Davis

VISTA LA MESA ACADEMY



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Nathaniel Bauzon

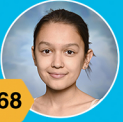
GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC



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Nika Poorshahrezaei

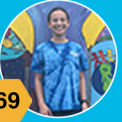
EARL WARREN MIDDLE



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Nissi Bautista Gonzalez

LEARNING CHOICE ACADEMY



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Olive Chrones

CONWAY ELEMENTARY



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Olivia Raggio

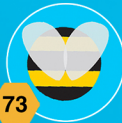
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC



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Philip Turner

PACIFIC COAST ACADEMY SAN DIEGO



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Pranav Mahendran

PACIFIC TRAILS MIDDLE



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Pranal Prajwal Jain

BLACK MOUNTAIN MIDDLE



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Rachel Taft

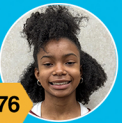
CORONADO MIDDLE



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Rey Medina

INNOVATION MIDDLE



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Ryan Fournier

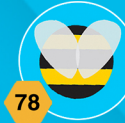
ARROYO VISTA CHARTER



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Samantha Meza

SUNSET ELEMENTARY



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Sarah Lis

SACRED HEART PARISH



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Shrikar Vattikuti

OAK VALLEY MIDDLE



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Sybil Black

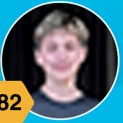
OLIVE PEIRCE MIDDLE



81

Tamara Greene

BERNARDO HEIGHTS MIDDLE



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Trevor Ehrhardt

IMPERIAL BEACH CHARTER



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Vann Torio

O'FARRELL COMMUNITY



84

Violet Korsunsky

BELLA MENTE CHARTER

Good Luck To All Participants!

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NOTABLE BEES

BEE PRONOUNCER

Walter Ritter

Executive Director of Write Out Loud

JUDGES

Rima Haroun

Coordinator of English Learner Services,
San Diego County Office of Education

Cherissa Beck

Coordinator of Instruction and Curriculum,
San Diego County Office of Education

Jennifer Upham

Coordinator of Instruction and Curriculum,
San Diego County Office of Education

Laura Mendez

Principal Librarian, City of Carlsbad

PAST CHAMPIONS

2023 & 2022

Mihir Konkapaka
Mesa Verde Middle

2021

Christian Antonio
Santa Sophia Academy

2019

Elliot Husseman
Inspire Charter School

2018

Kevin Luo
Pacific Trails Middle

2017

Yash Hande
Pacific Trails Middle

2016

Ella Peters
Notre Dame Academy

2015

Oona Flood
Earl Warren Middle



*Melissa
Mecija*

*Jared
Aarons*

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Weekday
Mornings*



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