



2017 Spelling BEE Information



In order to participate in the 2017 Arizona Spelling Bee, students must attend a school that is enrolled with the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Schools are eligible for early bird enrollment (\$145) with Scripps until October 14, 2016. Please be aware that the **bolded purple text** in the message below directly relates to the **Coconino County Spelling Bee**. Go to the Arizona Educational Foundation website for access to the information below and much more: <http://azedfoundation.org/programs/arizona-spelling-bee/>

ELIGIBILITY

Only students from schools - public, charter, private, or home schools - that are enrolled with the Scripps National Spelling Bee will be eligible to participate in the Coconino County Spelling Bee and in the 2017 AEF™ Arizona Spelling Bee.

Please note: all public, charter, private, or home schools interested in hosting bees for students must enroll with Scripps on their own. Enrollment can be completed on the Scripps website [here](#).

SCRIPPS ENROLLMENT

General enrollment for schools is between August 22, 2016 and October 14, 2016. Late enrollment is October 15 - December 12, 2016. **For students to be eligible to participate in the Coconino County Spelling Bee and ultimately in the Arizona Spelling Bee, schools must enroll with Scripps. [Schools can enroll here.](#)**

Enrollment costs \$145 (payable by check or credit) during the general enrollment period. Late enrollment costs \$220. If you are paying by check, an additional \$7.50 processing fee will apply. Your enrollment status will display as "pending" and you will not receive resource materials until Scripps receives and processes your check.

Scripps does not accept purchase orders. An invoice and W-9 will be generated during the online enrollment process.

SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS + RESOURCES

All school Spelling Bees must be completed by January 16, 2017. An email has been sent to school coordinators for all schools that participated in the 2016 Arizona Spelling Bee. Additionally, enrolled schools will receive many spelling bee resources directly from Scripps; a complete list is available on www.spellingbee.com.

Click these links to download both the [2017 Rules](#) and [2017 Instructions](#). These documents provide timelines for conducting bees, as well as helpful guidelines for administrators in the three tiers of competition before the final Arizona State Spelling Bee (1: individual school, 2: district, and 3: county or regional).

Please note: Upon completion of all public, charter, private, or homeschool bees the bee coordinators should notify Kim Graves (the Coconino County Spelling Bee Coordinator) of the students who will be advancing and participating in the Coconino County Spelling Bee.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Please refer to the "Rules-2017" attachment item number one (1.) for minimum age and other student eligibility requirements to compete in the AEF Arizona Spelling Bee or the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

To compete in the Coconino County Spelling Bee students must be in grades 3 – 8 and must not have reached their 15th birthday on or before August 31, 2016.

COCONINO COUNTY SPELLING BEE Date – Saturday, February 11th or 18th (TBD)/Alternate Date – Saturday, February 25th