



2019 Ohio State Fair
4-H SPELLING BEE COMPETITION
Open to all Ohio 3rd- 6th Graders
4-H Members & Non-4-H Members

This competition is an educational and fun event for all Ohio students in grades 3rd-6th. It is not a sanctioned Bee and winners do not advance to any other Bee or competition, but it is great practice and fun for the students!

Entry Deadline:	June 1	
Registration Date/Time:	July 27 - 8:00a	3 rd & 4 th Graders – Janis Center Lobby
Event Date/Time:	July 27 - 9:00a	3 rd & 4 th Graders
Registration Date/Time:	July 27 - 12:00p	5 th & 6 th Graders – Janis Center Lobby
Event Date/Time:	July 27 - 1:00p	5 th & 6 th Graders (<i>following 3rd/4th grade bee</i>)

Competition Notes:

- Eligibility
 - There will be two competitions; one for 3rd & 4th graders and one for 5th & 6th graders.
 - Students compete in the grade level **they are in at the time of registration** (i.e. their 2018-19 grade level).
 - Each school may recommend **two students for each grade level**.
 - Each 4-H County Extension office may recommend one student for each grade level.
 - All 3rd - 6th grade students are permitted to enter (even if they entered in 2018). However, a 6th grader that participated in 2018 is not eligible for the 2019 competition as they will have already completed the 7th grade.
 - Students who finished first and won their grade level spelling bee in 2018 are not eligible to participate in the same grade level in 2019.
 - Each school and county extension office will be notified of acceptance via email.
 - Study links and competition regulations will be **emailed** to each student by the end of June (i.e. Merriam Webster National Spelling Bee study guide).

- Entering
 - There is no entry fee to compete in this competition.
 - Entry Form is listed below.
 - You may email, mail or fax entries to:

Sally McClaskey
Ohio 4-H Center
2201 Fred Taylor Drive
Columbus, OH 43210
Email: mcclaskey.12@osu.edu
Fax: 614.292-5937

- Fair Admissions and Parking
 - Two complimentary Ohio State Fair admission tickets (one for student and one for accompanying adult), and a map of the grounds will be sent to each participant.
 - Include the whole family by ordering Discount Tickets in advance online at www.ohiostatefair.com.
 - Parking is in the north general admission lot and costs \$5.

- General Rules
 - **Allow ample time to park in the north lot and register at the 2019 site, located in the south end of the Fairgrounds at the Janis Center.** No student will be admitted to the competition after it begins.
 - Once students are on grounds, and have registered for the competition in the Janis Center, they will be required to stay in the auditorium.
 - This competition is for fun! While it is not a sanctioned spelling bee with any other organization and the winners do not advance to any other competition, it is a real competition. When a word is missed, the student is out of the competition. A second chance to spell a word will not be permitted.
 - The Spelling Bee will be conducted orally.
 - Students are encouraged to study all words in the Study Guide; youth may be given words from a grade higher or lower than their grade level.
 - Once the competition for an age level starts, it will run straight through until completed and awards are presented.
 - Restrooms are located off the lobby. Should it become necessary for a student to visit one from the competition stage, we will have someone accompany them there and back.
 - A news release with the winning names will be sent to participating schools and the winner's local newspapers.
 - Once the competition is over, we encourage you to take time to enjoy the Fair.

Judging guidelines:

- There will be at least two qualified and impartial judges for the competition.
- Judge's decisions are final.

Awards:

- 1. The Champion from the 3rd/4th and 5th/6th grade competitions will receive:**
 - \$100
 - Ohio State Fair Ride Wristband

- 2. The Runner-Up from the 3rd/4th and 5th/6th grade competitions will receive:**
 - \$50
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- 3. All competing students who make it to the final round will receive a special Rosette.**

- 4. All students who compete will receive a Participation Ribbon.**

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Martin Janis Center Auditorium
(south west corner of grounds)
SATURDAY, July 27, 2019
School Entry Form

School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Fax: _____ - _____ - _____

Principal's Name: _____

Principal's Email: _____

Student's Name: _____ Grade (3-6): _____

(One child and one adult admission ticket will be mailed to this contact.)

Parents/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ - _____ - _____ Cell: _____ - _____ - _____

Parent Email: _____

I hereby submit the above named student to represent our school in the Ohio State Fair 4-H Spelling Bee. This student is enrolled in the grade indicated above, and understands that he/she will compete in that age level at the Ohio State Fair Spelling Bee. If our application is accepted, the school and student will be notified.

Principal's Signature

Date

Email, mail or fax completed application form (by June 1, 2019) to:

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