

Thursday, February 15, 2024 at the Columbian Club Hall

194 River Road
North Arlington, NJ
Sign-In for Spellers begins at 6:00pm.
The Spelling Bee will start promptly at $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ No one is allowed to compete once the Bee starts.

## Sign Ups

Sign up with your school office by providing your name and a contact phone number by February 13. A set of rules and sample practice words will then be given to you. Only pre-registered spellers will be allowed to compete.
A $\$ 75$ Bankcard will be awarded to the 1 st Place winner and a $\$ 50$ Bankcard will be given to the 2 nd Place winner.

The 1st Place Winner will be invited to go on to higher levels of competition.

For questions or information, please call 201-988-0183.

# Knights of Columbus 2024 8th Grade Spelling Bee Rules 

1. During Sign-Ups, all entrants will draw a random number to determine seating arrangement. Before the actual competition begins, Spellers will introduce themselves and will undergo two practice rounds.
2. Each Speller will stand when called and the Pronouncer will then give the contestant a word to spell. Before attempting to spell, The Speller can ask the Wordsmith questions about the word. (Examples; Is the word singular or plural? What is the tense of the word? What is the definition of the word? If needed, how is the word used in a sentence?)
3. After the word is clarified, each contestant has two minutes to spell the word and once attempted, the word must be completed. The Timekeeper will signify when the two minute time limit is reached.
4. If a word is spelled correctly, the Speller will take a seat, and the next contestant will stand.
5. If a word is spelled incorrectly, the Speller will be asked to leave the area. (A Recorder will tape each Speller's response in case of a question.) A word that is misspelled will not be given to the next Speller. When there are only two Spellers left, a five minute break will be declared.
6. In the final round, the elimination procedure changes. At that point, when one contestant misspells a word, the other contestant shall be given the opportunity to spell the same word. If the second contestant spells that word correctly, then the Speller must correctly spell the next word on the Pronouncer's list in order to be declared the champion.
7. If the contestant gives the correct spelling of the misspelled word, but fails to spell the additional word correctly, then the first Speller will be given that word to spell plus an additional word. This procedure will continue until one of the contestants spells a previously misspelled word correctly in addition to another word to determine the winner of the Spelling Bee.
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For a list of Practice Words, please turn over

## Sample Practice Words <br> 8th Grade Spelling Bee List <br> from www.spelling-words-well.com

| depth | forgetting | example | educate |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| entire | horizon | freight | earliest |
| threat | relieve | muscle | meant |
| exchange | securing | obedient | unsanitary |
| leisure | crypt | supervisor | persuade |
| glamorous | optimistic | envious | controversy |
| deficiency | schedule | characteristic | environment |
| amusement | criticize | venom | awkward |
| arrangement | considerable | barometer | vulnerable |
| mercenary | plaintiff | omitted | deterrent |
| cameos | malicious | obscure | propeller |
| perceived | taboo | technology | surmise |
| internally | specific | protein | criminal |
| precipitate | forgery | unbelievable | unduly |
| annoyance | vessel | insufficient | capably |
| belligerent | amnesty | snobbery | applicant |
| anxious | fashionable | machinery | laboratory |
| shuddering | sacrifice | fibrous | escalator |
| privilege | burglary | melodious | embargo |
| outrageous | rectangular | honorary | minimize |
| contrary | passageway | vertigo | malady |
| lucrative | extraordinary | abstain | procrastinate |
| serviceable | parliament | necessity | recurrent |
| ominous | permeate | religious | occurred |
| prestigious | scandalized | voracious | universal |
| transient | meticulous | personification | inevitable |
| vigilant | interrogate | malignant | benevolent |
| consequence | unenforceable | nostalgia | omnipotent |
| vivacious | precocious | indulgence | vulnerable |
| vacillate | inconvenience | potpourri | ubiquitous |
| phenomenon | caricature | surveillance | metamorphosis |
|  |  | an |  |

## Sample Practice Words

