

Tupelo Middle School's Jones Wins Lee County Spelling Bee

TUPELO, Miss. — Carson Jones entered Tuesday's Lee County Spelling at Church Street Elementary feeling confident about his preparation.

As it turned out, his confidence was the difference as C-O-N-F-I-D-E-N-T was the winning word in round No. 12.

"This feels good," said the Tupelo Middle School 8th-grader, who finished second at the Tupelo Public School District Spelling Bee back in December. "I was just hoping my luck hadn't ran out."

Jones outlasted Jack Babb, a 5th-grader at Rankin. Finishing third was Landon Spragin of Nettleton Elementary.

All three will now participate in an online test, with the winner advancing to the state championships.

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