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### **Mooreville's Long Wins Lee County Spelling Bee**

**TUPELO, Miss.** — It took 16 rounds, but with the correct spelling of P-R-O-M-P-T-E-D, Victoria Long of Mooreville Middle School won the 2025 Lee County Spelling at the Church Street Elementary Auditorium.

The 7<sup>th</sup>-grader advanced to the championship round after successfully spelling, W-A-V-E-L-E-N-G-T-H. She outlasted Ren Crowell of Milam.

Finishing third was Madelyn Gan Lim, a 7<sup>th</sup>-grader at Tupelo Middle School.

All three advance to the online round, which will be held Feb. 4. From there, the top online spellers will compete at the State Spelling Bee in the Spring.

In all, there were nine participants competing, three each from the Tupelo, Lee County and Nettleton School Districts.

### **Participants**

#### **Tupelo Public School District**

Ren Crowell — Milam

Madelyn Gan Lim — Tupelo Middle School

Ronwick Clark — Lawhon

### **Lee County School District**

Victoria Long — Mooreville Middle School

Warner Bryan — Mooreville Middle School

Derrick Williams — Verona Elementary

### **Nettleton School District**

Jonah Lindsey — Nettleton Elementary

Harley Robbins — Nettleton Elementary

Alex Burcham- Nettleton Elementary













