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Dear Spelling Bee Coach and/or Principal,

Berrien RESA is proud to once again bring to your students the opportunity to participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee program.

The Annual Cloverleaf Spelling Bee will take place Tuesday, February 23 at 8:30 AM.

The champion will receive a paid trip to Washington, D.C., to compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in late May. The official prize list for the top spellers will be announced later.

For your students to participate in the Spelling Bee, please do the following:

1. **Enroll with the Scripps National Spelling Bee by the October 31 deadline.**

A benefactor or representative of your school should go to www.spellingbee.com to pay the materials and enrollment fee of \$199. Included in your enrollment fee is:

- Exclusive online access to the teachers-only section of spellingbee.com
- Official study list for your students, organized by difficulty level
- Official pronouncer guides for use in conducting classroom and school spelling bees
- The Great Words, Great Works reading list with all source books, organized by reading level
- Supplemental vocabulary materials for the classroom and school levels
- Customizable certificates for your participants and school champion
- The 4,000-word *Words of the Champions* study guide for school champions
- An online testing platform that allows teachers to administer a school spelling bee regardless of whether students are in the classroom or virtual

2. **Register with Berrien RESA by the December 17 deadline.**

Mail the enclosed Cloverleaf Spelling Bee registration form along with your \$175 check made out to:

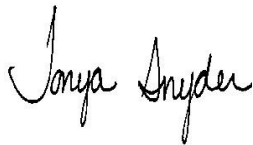
Berrien RESA
Attn: Tonya Snyder
PO Box 364
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

Enclosed, you will find the Cloverleaf Spelling Bee registration form along with a copy of the rules and last year's prize list (2027 prizes will be announced in January). Each school is responsible for running its own spelling bee for its students. Its top 3 spellers will be invited to participate in the Cloverleaf Spelling Bee.

3. Select your school's spellers and email their names to tonya.snyder@berrienresa.org by February 2, 2027.

I look forward to providing this opportunity to your students. If you have any questions or concerns about the competition, please contact me at tonya.snyder@berrienresa.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tonya Snyder". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tonya Snyder
Student Activities Coordinator

2027 CLOVERLEAF SPELLING BEE

Commitment & Registration Form

**Complete and return this form along with
the \$175.00 registration fee by December 17, 2026**

When you agree to participate, you are committing to having up to 3 of your students represent your school in the Cloverleaf Spelling Bee at the Lake Michigan College Mendel Center Mainstage on **February 23, 2027**.

Make checks payable to Berrien RESA. Mail to:

Berrien RESA
Attn: Tonya Snyder, Student Activities
PO Box 364, Berrien Springs, MI 49103

Name(s) of Coach(es): _____

School: _____

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone (for emergencies only): _____

Coach's Signature & Date

Principal's Signature & Date

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