

The Franklin Global SpellEvent is a global spelling competition for nonnative English speaking students under the age of 15* sponsored and organized by Franklin Electronic Publishers in cooperation with the global professional association for English language teaching, Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, Inc. (TESOL)

Promote the learning of English as a foreign language.

English is the new *lingua franca* that binds us together in an ever shrinking world. Spelling is more than just memorization; it is about understanding the language, and languages it originated from.

Great Global Opportunity!

- 1st and 2nd place finishers of local country event finals earn a free trip to New York City!
- First place winner at Global SpellEvent in New York City wins \$10,000 Scholarship and crowned Global Spelling Champion!

* Students must be 15 years of age or younger by December 31st of the year prior to the final round.

** The official word list will be drawn from this source.

Local Competition

Participating Schools are asked to select a specified number of students to participate in the SpellEvent. The Local Event will include students from 5-8 local schools.

As a participating school, your school will receive:

- 4 Franklin MWD-460 Electronic Dictionaries
- 4 Merriam Webster's Advanced Learner's Paper Dictionaries**



Organization of Local Events

- Local preliminary rounds are limited to a maximum of 48 participants.
- There will be a practice round at each local event. This will give each Participant the opportunity to understand the event format.
- Local preliminary rounds will be conducted entirely in English.
- Local events will consist of a single elimination spelling competition until 2 students remain.
- In the event that either of the 2 winners cannot attend the championship in New York, the 3rd and 4th place finishers will be determined and used as alternate representatives if necessary.

Please see the Official 2010 SpellEvent Rules for complete information on the SpellEvent visit www.spellevent.org

Awards

For each Local Event:

1st Place:

Trophy, Franklin Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary product, and an all-expenses paid trip to New York City for 3 nights in August 2010 for Participant and (1) parent or (1) legal guardian.

2nd Place:

Plaque, Franklin Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary product, and an all-expenses paid trip to New York City for 3 nights in August 2010 for Participant and (1) parent or (1) legal guardian.

3rd and 4th Place:

Plaque, Franklin Merriam-Webster Dictionary and Reference Set product.

