



# WESTMORLAND

## *Honey Festival*

Dear Educators & Parents,

We are BUZZed to invite you and your students to participate in our Westmorland Chamber of Commerce 15th Annual Honey Festival Spelling Bee! Spelling Bees help promote literacy by allowing children to work towards a specific goal and providing a forum in which children can demonstrate their accomplishments. Bees also help children improve their spelling, vocabulary, study and public speaking skills and ability to thrive under pressure. BEE-excited with us to include any student interested in participating from your 4<sup>th</sup> through 8th grade classes in experiencing this classic competition.

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Honey Festival Spelling Bee will be held on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The Festival will be from 8:00 am to 2:00pm and include many exciting activities and vendors. The Spelling Bee will start at 9:00am and conclude by 10:15am. The students will be split into two competitions, first 4<sup>th</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grade and second 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. All Competitors will need to meet at the main stage area of the Festival by 8:45am.

We are including a suggested study guide list of 100 words (not inclusive of all potential words). Also included are the official spelling Bee rules. We encourage your students to study the words in preparation for the spelling bee. This is a great opportunity for each student to improve their spelling and have fun! The top three winners in each grade band will receive a trophy. In addition, first place finishers in each grade band will receive a gift certificate prize and yearlong recognition as the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Honey Festival Spelling Bee Champion! All students participating will receive a commemorative ribbon for their hard work and efforts.

Don't forget to RSVBEE and register your participating students online on the Westmorland Chamber of Commerce website: [www.westmorlandchamber.com](http://www.westmorlandchamber.com)

Thank you so much for your participation!

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## Westmorland Chamber of Commerce 15th Annual Honey Festival Spelling Bee Rules

1. When it is your turn to spell the word, please stand and make your way to the microphone stand at the front of the main staging area.
2. When you miss a word, please make your way off the staging area to join the audience.
3. It is suggested that the contestant say the word before spelling it and after. However, the contestant will not be disqualified for not saying the word
4. No wrong letters may be used in the spelling of a word.
5. As long as no wrong letter is used, a contestant may repeat the letters to spell the word correctly.
6. The contestant may ask for a definition or for the use of the word in a sentence.
7. Capital letters and hyphens must be acknowledged when spelling in order for the word to be correct.
8. In terms of a misspelled word, it will be necessary for the last person standing to spell the missed word and one more word to be declared the champion.
9. In case a word is misunderstood and spelled in a different tense, as long as that word is spelled correctly, the proctor will give the word again, using a sentence.

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## Spelling Bee Study Words for Fourth, Fifth, & Sixth Graders

smirk	hooves	tightrope	vertical	microscope
destiny	daunted	paisley	inlet	enchantment
monkeys	settee	naturalist	nonviolent	gnarled
studio	gymnastics	armadillo	varsity	clodhopper
mansion	unappealing	pensive	dandruff	partridge
unbearable	bargain	terrier	spatula	indifference
funnel	failure	indicate	oracle	alliance
teaspoon	classical	hangar	avian	discreetly
applause	bedraggled	clause	orchestra	mystic
vocabulary	thicket	gnarled	ravine	quashed
dimension	mastiff	linen	hovel	elderly
saucepan	pauper	esteem	tremendous	pottery
quality	bushel	blurred	rendition	wonderful
available	auction	cupboard	forfeit	initials
laundry	wistfully	cutlery	gourd	moisture
bronze	forfeit	algae	pitiful	climbed
poisonous	lounge	tortoise	concise	nifty
digestive	innocent	botany	mildew	voyage
whistling	specific	herring	thicket	twine
caterpillar	dowdy	satchel	cathedral	square

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## Spelling Bee Study Words for Seventh and Eighth Graders

varsity	compatriots	affectionately	pterodactyl	cayenne
antidote	pilgrimages	epithets	inadvertent	pertinacity
emperor	functionary	exquisite	eucalyptus	remonstrance
ebullience	antiquated	javelin	crustaceans	castellated
legitimately	pearlescent	neutron	netsuke	patronymic
bedlam	perpetrator	oracle	tremulous	mandrill
inconceivable	assailant	avian	phosphine	ascetic
nuisance	burglarious	engineering	recusant	pugnacious
undulating	alpinist	resonate	Patagonia	tumulus
Jacobean	marvelous	avalanche	prodigious	ague
Einstein	scrumptiously	gladiatorial	prestidigitation	vulpine
boulevards	nuisance	hypotenuse	nautilus	churlish
feckless	machete	mahogany	pirouetted	ascetic
allegiance	lyre	functionary	syncope	concussion
gladiatorial	artillery	physicists	aperture	neutron
Holocaust	cavalcade	catastrophic	au fait	quandary
overweening	Mandarin	uranium	toccata	insulin
vagabonds	aperture	chevalier	supererogation	Honolulu
enervating	silhouetted	collision	reveille	Hebrides
sanctum	habanero	tetanus	gendarme	wallah