



CITY OF BOSTON
MARTIN J. WALSH, MAYOR
WILLIAM MORALES, COMMISSIONER

August 22, 2017

Dear Principal or School Representative,

Boston Centers for Youth & Families is proud to bring to your students and school the opportunity to participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee program through the 11th Annual BCYF Spelling Bee. In addition to improving students' spelling skills and broadening their vocabulary, Spelling Bee participation provides valuable experience in developing self-confidence—a necessary skill for success in public speaking, performing arts, and athletics.

How to get involved:

- Register your school with Scripps National Spelling Bee online at www.spellingbee.com by **October 16, 2017 (Early Bird Enrollment.)** This will also serve as your registration for Boston Centers for Youth & Families.
- Pay the enrollment fee of \$151.00 to Scripps National Spelling Bee by October 16, 2017.

When you enroll at spellingbee.com and pay the materials and enrollment fee of \$151.00, you will receive exclusive online access to the teachers-only section of spellingbee.com, official word lists for your students that are organized by grade level, study materials for your school spelling champion, 2018 Classroom Pronouncer's Guide, 2018 School Pronouncer Guide, a one-year free Britannica Online for Kids subscriptions, and award certificates.

The 11th Annual BCYF Spelling Bee will take place Saturday, March 17, 2018. **The champion of the BCYF Spelling Bee will win a trip to Washington, D.C., to compete in the 2018 Scripps National Spelling Bee.** There will be other prizes for the top spellers, including reference books and gift certificates.

We hope you will take advantage of this wonderful educational enrichment opportunity for your students. If you have any questions about the 2018 BCYF Spelling Bee or Boston's involvement in the Scripps National Spelling Bee program, please contact Joan Lanigan, Program Manager at 617-635-4920 x2155 or joan.lanigan@boston.gov.

Sincerely,

William Morales, Commissioner
Boston Centers for Youth & Families

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BCYF Charlestown
BCYF Cleveland
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BCYF Gallivan
BCYF Golden Age
BCYF Grove Hall
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BCYF Holland
BCYF Hyde Park
BCYF Jackson/Mann
BCYF Leahy-Holloran
BCYF Madison Park
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