## **Frobel Bilingual Elementary School**

**Spelling Bee Rules and Procedures** 



## I. Pre-Competition

Homeroom teachers will select 5 top students for the main competition. (Grade 2 is 10 students.)

## II. Bee Competition

A. The Quiz master will read each word twice, and use the word in a sentence.

("Kitchen. A kitchen is where we cook our food at home. Kitchen.)

- B. The contestant will then have 15 seconds to spell the word correctly.
  - 1. Contestants may ask for a re-read only one time.
  - Students may also write the word on a scratch paper.\*
    (\*But the student must give the final spelling answer orally.)
  - A contestant may self-correct anytime before the 15-second spell period conclude. After the spell period ends, the student will be judged on the final answer given during the period.
  - 4. All contestants should remain in their seats after spelling their words until the last contestant in the same round has finished. Then, the contestants who spell incorrectly will be asked to leave the stage and return to their classroom seating area.
  - 5. If only two contestants answer correctly in the same round, the competition will be divided into two groups. The group with the two contestants who spell correctly will continue competing until the first and second places are determined. The other group, consisting of the contestants who spell incorrectly, will continue competing until a winner is determined. This contestant will be awarded third place.
  - 6. If only one contestant spells correctly in the same round, this contestant will be awarded the first place. The rest of the contestants will continue competing until the second and third places are determined.
- C. After 10 rounds, if no champion has been awarded, then-
  - 1. All remaining contestants will enter the lightning round.
  - 2. In the lightning round, the spell period will reduce to 10 seconds.
  - 3. Students may self-correct only one time, within the 10-second period
- D. After 5 Lightning Rounds, if no champion has been awarded, then-
  - 1. Remaining contestants will remain seated for the Sudden Death Round.

- 2. The Quiz Master will read a word only one time.
- 3. The spell period will be 10 seconds.
- 4. No self-corrections are permitted in the Sudden Death round.
- 5. The same procedure will continue until a champion is awarded.
- E. After 2 Sudden Death Rounds, if no champion has been awarded, then-
  - 1. Remaining contestants will remain seated for the Championship Round.
  - 2. The Quiz Master will randomly select words from the word list of the student's grade level or below.
  - 3. The Quiz Master will read a word only one time.
  - 4. The spell period will be 6 seconds.
  - 5. No self-corrections are permitted in the Championship Round.
  - 6. The same procedure will continue until a champion is awarded.

