Dear School Spelling Bee Champion,

Congratulations on winning your school spelling bee! As your school’s champion, you have now qualified to spell at the 2022 St. Louis Post-Dispatch Regional Semi-Final Spelling Bee sponsored by Lindenwood University.

This year, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch Semi-Final Bee will be held VIRTUALLY on SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. All students will test at the same time.

We have included with this letter separate information including:

- Online Waiver Instructions
- St. Louis Post-Dispatch Virtual Semi-Final Bee Process
- St. Louis Post-Dispatch Semi-Final Spelling Bee Rules 2022

Please read all attachments and note that the online waiver must be completed by FEBRUARY 27, 2022, in order to take the Semi-Final Bee test on March 5.

In the meantime, students should study from the 2022 SpellCheck and Words of Champions, generated by Scripps National Spelling Bee. However, please note that Spellcheck and Words of Champions are only study guides. Words used in the virtual bee may not be listed in these guides.

Additional information:

- If for any reason you cannot participate in the Semi-Final Bee, contact your school immediately so the runner-up may participate.
- Winners from the virtual Semi-Final Bee will be announced on the NIE website (STLtoday.com/bee) BY 6 P.M. ON SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022.
- Each finalist will receive an email with specific instructions on the Final Bee. ONLY finalists will compete in the finals on Saturday, March 12, 2022 at Lindenwood University.
- For more questions about the St. Louis Post-Dispatch Regional Spelling Bee, please review the documents in this email or download the materials at STLtoday.com/bee.

Sincerely,

The NIE Staff