



**THE BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY LITERACY
TASK FORCE SPELLING BEE**

To support the *Tots Reading Lots* Program

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

6:00 – 9:00 P.M.

**St. Bartholomew School Gymnasium
Master of Ceremonies - Robert Hay-Smith**

Join the Bartholomew County Literacy Task Force in its efforts to raise literacy levels in Bartholomew County.

Recruit three friends or co-workers and test your spelling skills (no spell check!) against other local teams. Don't worry; you don't need to spell out loud. You can use paper and pencil. You can even use a mulligan! Winning teams will receive trophies and admiration!!! **The First Place Team will have bragging rights as Bartholomew County Spelling Champions.**

Last year's Bee help put more than 600 books in the hands of 215 1 year olds and their caregivers. Proceeds from the Spelling Bee provide these books for children from low income homes and help them down the path to literacy and success in school. Children enrolled in the program will receive books three times a year through the mail until they start Kindergarten.

Did you know?

- About 42% of children entering Kindergarten in Bartholomew County do not have the necessary skills. Some have never had a book read to them or even held a book.
- The literacy skills of one in three Hoosier adults are below the minimum standard for successful employment in a knowledge based economy. (Indiana Chamber of Commerce)

SELECT YOUR LEVEL OF SUPPORT

Spellbound Sponsor	\$700 and above
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/2 page ad in event program • Entry fees for one team in the Spelling Bee for Literacy • Company name on all advertisements and promotional materials for the event • Table sign at the event • Reserved table, including dinner for ten (four seats for the team and six for spectators) • Or you can choose to have two teams of four plus two spectators at your reserved table 	
Spell Check Sponsor	\$500 and above
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/4 page ad in event program • Entry fees for one team in the Spelling Bee for Literacy • Company name on all advertisements and promotional materials for the event • Table sign at the event • Reserved table for eight, including dinner (four seats for the team and four for spectators) • Or you can choose to have two teams of four at your reserved table 	
Spelling Bee Corporate Team	\$250.00 (Non-Profit Team Rate- \$120.00)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes dinner for four • Team name in event program 	
Spectator Tickets (Includes Dinner)	\$20.00



Team Captain Contact Information

Name: _____

Company/Organization: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Creative Team Name: _____

Other Team Members: (Three team members will spell, the fourth will serve as a proctor for another team)

Name: _____ Name: _____

Name: _____

***Challenge another business or organization and an at-risk child will receive a book subscription for one year in your team's name whether the challenge is accepted or not.**

Yes! I want to challenge _____ to spell!

Contact Name: _____ Company/Organization: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Our Check is enclosed for:

___ Spellbound Sponsor	\$700 and up	___ Spell Check Sponsor	\$500
___ Spelling Bee Corporate Team	\$250	___ Spelling Bee Non-Profit Team	\$120
___ Spectator (Includes Dinner)	\$20 each	Total:	_____

We are unable to participate in the Bee this year, but please accept our donation of \$_____

Team Registration Deadline: August 20, 2010 (Space is limited; early registration is recommended)

Return form and make check payable to: Bartholomew County Literary Task Force,
 Attn: Karen Garrity, 1200 Central Avenue, Columbus, IN 47201 **A portion of the fee is tax-deductible**

Online Team Registration and Spectator Tickets: (Visa/MasterCard only)
www.columbusareachamber.com/events

Spectator Tickets on Sale: Viewpoint Books; BCSC Admin. Building, 1200 Central Ave.
 Or online: www.artsincolumbus.org

Questions: Contact Kim Acres– acresk@bcsc.k12.in.us – 812.376.4392

