## **GATM EXTREME SPELLERZ SPELLING BEE COMPETITION GUIDELINES**

Congratulations on your interest in the Extreme Spellerz Spelling Bee Competition!!!

The Spelling Bee will be held on June 30, 2018 beginning @ 1pm at 5C Roberts Avenue, Windsor, Va. 23487. Each participant should arrive before 12 pm for instructions.

Below you will find the Spelling Bee Rules and Procedures that your child will be expected to follow: Please review these rules and procedures with your child as the event nears. All permission slips must be completed and returned to participate in the Spelling Bee by June 22, 2018.

- \*All participants will be seated in the order predetermined by the Spelling Bee Committee.
- \*Each speller will be given a number to wear around his/her neck upon arrival for the Competition.
- \*The Bee will be conducted in rounds. Each speller remaining in the Bee at the start of a round shall spell one word in that round.
- \*Participants will spell in the order in which they are seated. The first round will include all spellers. Each subsequent round will include only those spellers who spelled their word correctly in the previous round.
- \*The pronouncer will give each speller a word. The speller must pronounce the word before spelling it and after spelling it.
- \*The speller may ask the pronouncer to say the word again, define it, and/or use it in a sentence. Once the speller pronounces the word he/she has 20 seconds to spell it.
- \*Upon missing the spelling of a word, the speller is out of the competition. The speller then sits down and turns his/her number card over so that the number is not visible. The next on the pronouncers list is given to the next speller.
- \*In the event that none of the spellers spell a word correctly during the round, all spellers in that round shall remain in the competition, turning their number cards back over to reveal the number.
- \*At the end of each round, the spellers who missed the spelling words will leave the stage.
- \*If only one of the spellers remaining in the Bee at the start of a round spells a word correctly during the round, the speller who correctly spells a word is declared the winner.

These rules are adapted from the "Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee Rules and procedures" Your child will be asked to spell words on his/her grade level. Your child is encouraged to review vocabulary words, number words, color words, sight words. There are several resources on the internet with list and words that your child may study if he/she so chooses.

Thank you so much for your participation.

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