



THE TEMPLE OF RESTORATION

Spelling Ree!

REGISTRATION KIT



Event Details

Address: The Temple of Restoration

Attn: Helping Hands Ministry

490 Pacific Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217
www.restorationtime.com

Date: Saturday, October 4, 2025, 6:00pm

Please have your child at The Temple

of Restoration by 3:30pm.

Transportation: Please provide your child with

transportation to and from the event.

Cost: FREE to students and spectators

Registration: Please return your child's

registration form to us by fax at 718-425-9900. Alternatively, registration can be completed online at www.restorationtime.com

Questions: 718-757-0954 or

helpinghands@restorationtime.com

Event Background

The Temple of Restoration's Helping Hands Ministry will host a High School Spelling Bee on October 4, 2025 at The Temple of Restoration in Brooklyn! The event will be a fun and competitive spelling bee for 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students that attend Brooklyn schools or afterschool programs. The event will begin with a Mini Spelling Bee for 4th, 5th and 6th grade students.

The Spelling Bee is part of the "Training Up Our Youth" component of Helping Hands, which seeks to promote youth enrichment initiatives that build life skills and character as well as foster social development. The Spelling Bee will help the participating students improve their spelling and reading skills, develop their vocabularies, learn new concepts, enhance oratory and communication skills and develop social skills.

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Please cut off bottom portion of registration form and return by September 27, 2025.

| I give permission for my child, | to participate in the Spelling Bee at The Temple |
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| of Restoration on October 4, 2025. | /O |
| My child is in the th grade at | (School or Afterschool Program Name). |
| Name of Parent or Guardian | . Phone |
| □ I understand that photos will be taken at the event and I hereby grant The Temple of Restoration permission to photograph my child and use such photos in printed and electronic materials related to the Spelling Bee, including The Temple of Restoration website, press releases and internal event reports. | |
| X | |
| Parent or Guardian Signature | Date |

Spelling Bee Rules

- Participants must be in 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade and attend a Brooklyn charter school, public school
 or afterschool program. Mini Spelling Bee Participants must be in the 4th, 5th or 6th grade and attend a
 Brooklyn charter school, public school or afterschool program.
- 2. Participants must arrive at The Temple of Restoration, 490 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, NY, by 3:30pm. The practice round will begin promptly at 4:00pm. All spellers must participate in the practice round.
- 3. All participants will be seated in an order predetermined by a random drawing of names. Each participant will be given a number to wear during the Spelling Bee.
- 4. Participants will spell in the order 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.
- 5. The pronouncers will give each speller a word. The speller must pronounce the word before spelling it and after spelling it.
- 6. The speller may ask the pronouncer to say the word again, define it, and/or use it in a sentence. The pronouncer shall grant all such requests until the judges agree that the word has been made reasonably clear to the contestant. The judges may disqualify a speller who ignores a request to start spelling. Once the speller pronounces the word, he/she has twenty seconds to spell it. The 20 seconds begin when the speller pronounces the word. The speller spells the word and then signals to the judges that he/she is done spelling by pronouncing the word again. For instance, the pronouncer gives the word "bee" to the speller. The speller may ask for a definition and sentence. The speller proceeds by saying, "Bee, b-e-e, bee." The judges indicate that the word has been spelled correctly and the speller sits down. The speller may stop spelling and repeat the letters he has given. The speller may not change the letters he/she has already said aloud, or change their sequence without being expelled from the competition.
- 7. The role of the pronouncer is to correctly pronounce the word and give a definition and a sentence, at the speller's request. The role of the judges is to determine if the participant has spelled the word correctly. The role of the speller is (1) to gather as much information as needed to help spell the word correctly, and (2) to spell the word correctly within the 20 seconds time period.
- 8. The Spelling Bee will be conducted in rounds. Each speller remaining in the Spelling Bee at the start of a round shall spell one word in that round.
- 9. Upon missing the spelling of one 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 word on the pronouncer's list is given to the next speller.
- 10. In the event that none of the spellers spells 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 of a word leave the stage.
- 11. When only two spellers remain in the contest they must eliminate one another. If the first speller cannot spell the word, then the second speller tries. If the second speller is correct he or she shall be given the next word. If the second speller spells that correctly he or she will be declared the winner. If the second speller fails to spell the first word correctly, the first speller is given a new word. The winner is the person who spells two words correctly.

^{*} Adapted from the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee Rules and Procedures.