



April 6th, 2015

Dear Families,

This year our school will participate in the Great American SpellCheck! Here's how it works: your child studies grade-specific word lists and are tested at MMA. The three students who spell the most words correctly from each class will then move on to represent their class in the schoolwide spelling bees!

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Your student needs your help in the following ways:

- **Tuesday April 7th:** Teachers will send home study words.
*Students will study words at their grade level.
- **April 8th-April 16th/20th:** Encourage your students to practice, practice, practice!
- **Thursday April 16th and Tuesday, April 21st:** SpellCheck Tests!
 - LE students will test on 4/16
 - UE & JRH students will test on 4/21
- **Wednesday April 22nd:** Teachers send home with each participating student the student's graded tests and an invitation for the finals.
 - The top three students will be chosen from each classroom to participate in the school-wide spelling bee.
- **Friday May 8th:** School-wide spelling bees will take place in the gymnasium!
 - **LE- 1-2pm**
 - **UE- 9-10am**
 - **Junior High-11am-noon**

*Your students are welcome to attend any of the spelling bee assemblies at their teacher's discretion.

Your support is crucial in the following areas; ☺☺☺

- Encourage your student's participation.
- Help your students learn to correctly spell the 50 words.

I hope that you share our excitement about our school's participation in the Great American SpellCheck. Together we can encourage strong spelling skills and build a fantastic community! Please be sure to ask questions if you have them.

Sincerely,
☺☺☺ MMA Staff & Faculty