

Maryland Sports Spelling Bee

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WHO: Elementary and middle school students enrolled in the Scripps National Spelling Bee program from **Carroll, Garrett, Harford, Kent and St. Mary's counties and the City of Annapolis.**

WHAT: Maryland Sports Spelling Bee

WHERE: U.S. Navy Marine-Corps Memorial Stadium*

WHEN: Saturday, March 17th at 12pm; Registration opens at 11am

WHY: Local Spelling Bee qualifier for students from 10 MD counties to qualify for the **Scripps National Spelling Bee in National Harbor, MD, shown on ESPN!**

***Parking at the Stadium: Gate 5 on Taylor Avenue- 511 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21401. Please note that there will be a small fee for parking at the stadium.**

Terry Hasseltine, Executive Director of Maryland Sports stated, *"We are thrilled to announce our Maryland Sports Spelling Bee will be at the U.S. Naval Academy's Navy-Marine Corp Memorial Stadium on Saturday March 17th, 2018. This inaugural event brings together students K-8 to test their spelling skills against fellow students from throughout Maryland. We at Maryland Sports were happy to step up and sponsor 10 counties to ensure all students across Maryland's 24 counties have the same opportunity to participate in the prestigious Scripps National Spelling Bee.*

For questions specifically about Maryland Sports Spelling Bee, please contact Ashley Harper Cottrell via phone (410-223-4134) or email (acottrell@marylandsports.us).

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About Scripps National Spelling Bee: Our purpose is to help students improve their spelling, increase their vocabularies, learn concepts and develop correct English usage that will help them all their lives.

About Maryland Sports: Our mission is to enhance Maryland's economy, image and quality of life through the attraction, promotion, retention and development of regional, national and international sporting events. Maryland Sports is the go-to resource for the Sports Events and Sport Tourism Industry in the State of Maryland.

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