



LITERACY CONNECTIONS  
OF THE HUDSON VALLEY, INC

*Presents*



The 32nd Annual Community

# SPELLING BEE

**MARCH 24, 2026**

MARIST UNIVERSITY

**THE FUN-FILLED EVENT OF THE YEAR**

*with a purpose!*

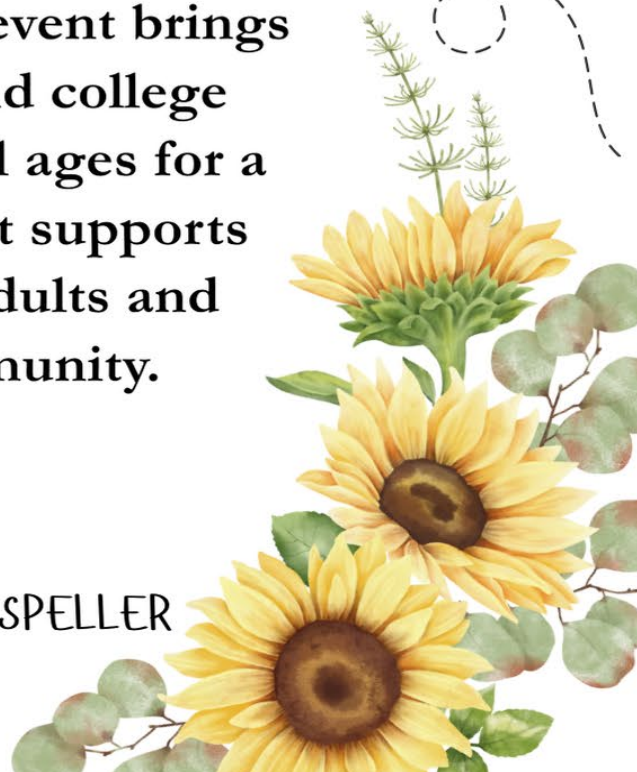
This lively and engaging event brings together high school and college students and adults of all ages for a friendly competition that supports literacy programs for adults and children in our community.



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## FUN WITH A PURPOSE!

Join sponsors, spellers, and volunteers from across the Hudson Valley for a high-energy, fun-filled event. The Spelling Bee isn't just fun – it's fun with a purpose! Your sponsorship and participation help Literacy Connections provide essential literacy support to individuals who need it most. Every March, our community comes together for a friendly, lively competition that unites students, adults, businesses, nonprofits, and neighbors of all ages. It's a day of laughter, connection, and collective impact—proof that making a difference can be a whole lot of fun!

## WHAT'S THE BEE?

The Community Spelling Bee is our signature annual celebration, proudly supported by more than 75 businesses and organizations. More than just a competition, it's an uplifting gathering that champions learning, teamwork, and community spirit. Every dollar raised directly fuels life-changing literacy programs for adults and children—helping them gain confidence, opportunity, and a brighter future. Join us and be part of something truly meaningful!



## HOW DOES IT WORK?

Teams of two face off in a fun and friendly spelling competition. No eliminations during regular rounds—scores are tallied, and top teams advance to the final round. Prizes and special awards add to the excitement!

## WHO SPELLS?

Spellers come from all corners of the community! Sponsors can send their own teams or have us find enthusiastic participants to represent them. Each team proudly holds a custom-made sign displaying their sponsor's name every time they spell.



## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Support literacy and showcase your business with one of our sponsorship levels:

### **GOLDEN HONEY BEE: \$1,500**

Featured on our website, a full-page ad in the program, a certificate, and a special display at the event.

### **BRONZE BEE: \$1,000**

Certificate, special website feature, and program listing.

### **BUSY BEE: \$500**

Website and program listing.

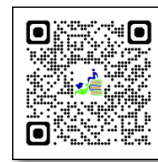
All sponsors are featured on our social media platforms.

## BEE A READER RAFFLE

Take part in our exciting raffle with incredible prizes! Tickets will be available at our Poughkeepsie office, on our website, and at the event. You don't need to be present to win, so everyone can join in the fun while supporting a great cause.

## GET INVOLVED

For more information or to become a speller, sponsor, or volunteer, scan the QR code or:



**Visit:** [www.literacyconnections.org](http://www.literacyconnections.org)

**Email:** [Spellingbee@literacyconnections.org](mailto:Spellingbee@literacyconnections.org)

**Call:** 845-452-8670

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