## Adult Spelling Bee

March 4, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

## Rules and Procedures

1. Each team will consist of three members, ages 18+. All teams should have a Designated Writer who will write the team's response on a dry erase board.
2. The World Caller will pronounce the word, give the definition, use it in a sentence and then repeat the word one additional time.
3. Teams will have 30 seconds to collaborate on the spelling of the word and write their response on their dry erase board. Time begins after the initial reading of the word. Any team that does not hold up their board when the Timekeeper signals will not receive points for that round. If the word is illegible, the word will be considered misspelled.
4. Spelling teams will be allotted three "cheats" at the beginning of the competition. Cheats may be played at any time during the first 5 rounds and must be handed in once used. Cheats will not be allowed during the final round.
5. Judges will announce whether the word has been spelled correctly or incorrectly for each team.
6. Each word is assigned a point value based on the difficulty of the word.
7. Scores will be tallied after the third round and again after the fifth. The teams with the lowest scores will be eliminated following these rounds, leaving two teams in the final round.
8. The winners of the final round will be named Best Spellers in Thorntown.
9. The procedures and official rules will govern the Adult Spelling Bee. Any disputes will be resolved by the judges.

Register by February 24! Only six teams may participate. Once slots are filled, additional teams will be wait-listed.

