

SPELL-A-THON

Attention all Students!!! We invite you to exercise your spelling muscles and participate in our **annual Spell-a-thon** at Mt. Diablo Elementary! Our Spell-a-thon consists of 4 tasks:

Task 1

- Show the enclosed pledge sheet to your friends, family and neighbors (but don't go door to door), and ask them to sponsor you for your school's Spell-a-thon. (To sponsor means they will either pay you money for every word you spell correctly, OR they can give you a set amount of money for taking the test.)

Task 2

- Turn in your pledge sheets to your teacher by **Wednesday, February 24nd**. You will get practice words and **take the test during that week**, too!

Task 3

- When the tests have been corrected (during the **week of March 1st**), you will get your pledge sheets back with a collection envelope. **Collect the pledge money and pledges** from any sponsors you may have missed (it's never too late to get sponsors!).

Task 4

- Turn in the money you collected from your sponsors. **Money is due by Friday, March 12th**.

There are rewards for participating!

First, we have school goals:

- If we earn \$10,000, we will have a school-wide POPSICLE party!
- If we earn \$15,000, Mr. Dodson will do something crazy (to be determined)!

And, for our students, we have individual and classroom rewards:

- Each student who collects \$100 or more will win a prize!
- The class that raises the most money in *each* grade level AND the *one* class with the highest percentage of correct words will win a root beer float party during their lunch time.
- The student who raises the most money overall will win the **NEW Nintendo DSi!**

What could be better than seeing Mr. Dodson do something crazy? We can do it!

So, go out and get your sponsors! The good thing about this Spell-a-thon is that all the money earned goes directly to the Mt. Diablo Elementary PFC. We are counting on you all to make this Spell-a-thon a success, so the PFC can continue to support our excellent school community! *(Extra pledge sheets will be available on our school website too!)*

**Mt. Diablo Elementary School
2010 Spell-a-Thon
Sponsor Sheet**

Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Dear Sponsor:

This year my school, Mt. Diablo Elementary, is sponsoring a Spell-A-Thon. I am given 50 words to study (less for kindergarten), and then take a spelling test on those words. I raise money by asking people to sponsor me for each word I spell correctly. I also can accept a flat donation. I will collect the money between March 1st and March 8th. At that time, if possible, please pay with a check made out to "MDE PFC."

Our goal is to raise enough money to be able to continue to support our teachers and our school community. In light of the California and district budget crisis, your support is even more crucial in keeping Mt. Diablo Elementary an enriching and exciting learning environment. *(Students, extra pledge sheets will be available on our school website, too!)*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

| Sponsor Name | Phone # | Pledge Amount per word OR Flat Donation | Total Correct Words | Total Donation |
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