



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SOLUTIONS SPELLING BEE

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Question: What are the prizes?

Answer: First place winner (N500,000), Second place winner (N300,000), Third place winner (N200,000) and a special prize for the winner of the essay contest.

Question: Who takes home the cash prize, the student or the school?

Answer: All schools have existing policies on how prizes from competitions are managed. As the organizers of the Spelling Bee, we work with such existing policies on an individual basis. However, we expect a substantial percentage of the prize money to be guaranteed for the student's tuition and 5% to fund a Decipher literacy hub in the school.

Question: What is a Decipher Literacy Hub?

Answer: Decipher Literacy Hubs are clubs that promote literacy for communities hosted within a school. They operate as any other extra-curricular club within schools but the outlook extends into the community. The hubs help to prepare students for our annual competition but they also promote other activities like book readings, preparing students for essay contests, managing book drives for less privileged children etc. The hubs forms part of our dedication towards achieving SDG Goal 4.

ZONAL STAGE

Question: If the host city in my zone is too far from me, can I register to participate in another zone?

Answer: Yes, you can.

Question: Will all our expenses be paid for by the organisers?

Answer: Due to limited funds, Decipher Solutions does not provide any logistics support for the zonal stage of the competition.

Question: When will the zonal hold?



Answer: The date for the zonal stage will be communicated to all participants timely.

FINAL STAGE

Question: Will all our expenses be paid for by the organisers?

Answer: Decipher Solutions will provide only accommodation and feeding. We do not cover any other travel expenses.

Question: Where is the final happening?

Answer: The Solutions Spelling Bee final will hold in Abuja in July.

Question: What day should I arrive for the final?

Answer: All participants are expected to arrive Abuja on the day before the finals (date to be communicated to all finalists after the zonals). They are expected to go straight to the accommodation for their room allocations.

Question: Will accommodation be provided for adults accompanying the students?

Answer: Decipher Solutions has made provisions for one teacher/guardian. This means that even if there are more than one students participating from a single school, only ONE teacher should accompany them. Decipher Solutions will not be responsible for accommodating any additional teachers. This also goes for guardians and parents as well.

Question: Who do I speak to when I have challenges with accommodation?

Answer: Call Amina on 09099993178

Question: Will students based in Abuja be offered accommodation?

Answer: No, all students based in Abuja are simply expected to arrive at the venue on the day of the competition and seated by 7.45am.

Question: Can we bring students who are non-participants to the zonals or finals?



Answer: The organisers have made provisions for only participating students. The participant student list will be published at the appropriate time

Question: What time does the competition start?

Answer: All students are expected to be seated at the venue by 7.45am.

Question: How long is the program?

Answer: The program is a single day event that is expected to end before 4pm

Question: When do we leave Abuja?

Answer: Everyone is expected to check out from the accommodation before 10am on the day after the competition.

Question: What kinds of activities will be happening at the final event?

Answer: The main highlight is the Spelling Bee however there will also be workshops on prose composition, poetry composition, essay writing and public speaking. There will also be a career panel, a keynote address and the final assessment for the essay contest.

Question: How long is the workshop, how much does it cost and how do I sign up?

Answer: The workshops are free. Each workshop lasts for 60 minutes. Each student can only join one workshop as each workshop takes only 25 participants. More information on the workshops will be shared with participants before the date of the competition.

Question: What is the career panel?

Answer: The career panel is made up of experts from the field of technology, health and media to share their career trajectories and insights to guide the students in planning a rewarding career.



We hope this FAQ was helpful. If you have more enquiries, Call Amina on 09099993178 or Zainab on 09099993126

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