

Results of the 2nd Annual Chinese Spelling Contest for Bilingual and Adult Classes

Contestants

The following individuals competed in the contest:

James Schaan (SAL1)
Kim Briggs (SAL1)
Van Phu (EM1B)
Chris Kriefer (SAL2)
Yingcho Cheng-Walsh (SAL2)
Greg Kay (SAL3)
Robin Blackwood (SAL3)

Because only one student from Bilingual classes participated, the EM1B class was combined in the series of Adult classes. Bilingual and Adult classes use the same set of textbooks in our school. Based on the advancement from last semester, EM1B class was placed between SAL1 and SAL2 in the contest.

Contest format

The rules were informed in early emails. Differing from the simplified/traditional contest format, the questions were based on audio clips cut from textbook CDs. To get a perfect score, a contestant would need to recognize the Chinese sentence on the screen and also correctly translate the audio (in Mandarin) into English.

Rewards

Every contestant is rewarded with Superior Spelling Award because you are the winners from your own class. Congratulations!

Chris Kriefer and Kim Briggs successfully challenged EM1B class, thus receive the Challenger Winning Award. Congratulations!

Robin Blackwood and Greg Kay successfully defended their positions as the highest rank in this series, thus receive the Ultimate Winning Award. Congratulations!

Yingcho Cheng-Walsh, as a challenger from SAL2, tied with SAL3 contestant. Due to time limitation, no extra round was added. Thus Mrs. Walsh also receives the Challenger Winning Award. Congratulations!

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