**VOCABULARY CONTEST RULES AND GUIDELINES**

**Special Note**: **﻿Native or bilingual students may not compete in any grammar or speaking competitions**

 **other than those specified**.

 **ONLY 2 STUDENTS PER LEVEL PER SCHOOL**

**1.** Each competition consists of two (2) rounds.

**2**.      Round One consists of a timed 25-minute written test. Students are required to spell the word or phrase correctly in Spanish and English as requested. Students are required to use the correct articles for all nouns. Students are required to use correct punctuation (accent marks) if necessary.

**3**. Round Two is an oral competition. Students are to respond in Spanish or English as requested.

 **4.** Vocabulary will come from the lists provided for each level. Although

 many words have several meanings,

**Only the meanings listed on the individual level study sheets will be accepted.**

**No other meanings will be accepted.**

**TO DETERMINE IN WHICH LEVEL YOU SHOULD REGISTER STUDENTS, PLEASE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:**

**LEVELS:**

 **Regular**: Students whose only contact with Spanish is in the classroom. Students compete at the level that they are presently  enrolled.  If they are not currently enrolled in Spanish, they will compete at the highest level completed.

 **Native/Bilingual**: Any student who meets one or more of the following criteria:

1. Students reared in a Spanish-speaking country or bilingual environment.
2. Students whose parents both speak Spanish.
3. A student reared where Spanish is a PRINCIPAL spoken/or heard language.
4. Students who have lived in a Spanish speaking country for at least twelve months.
5. Students who are bilingual or who have attended a bilingual school.
6. Teachers will decide whether students are native or bilingual.
7. Exchange students    from Spanish- speaking countries, and students who were born in Spanish-speaking countries and completed elementary school, will be considered native speakers.
8. Please refer to page "Competition and Registration at a Glance" of bilingual/native competitions.

**TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO: FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, AND FOURTH PLACES.**

**NOTE**: **Contests will take place as long as three or more schools register in any given contest. In the event that there are not enough registrations for the event to take place, the sponsor will be informed ASAP.**