News Release
For immediate release
March 4, 2016
Contact: Connie Anderson, 524-2823

Winners of West County spelling bee announced
Five elementary spellers advance to county-level event

The West County Regional Spelling Bee, the first of four regional spelling bees for elementary school students that precede the county competition, was held Tuesday, Monday, February 1, 2016 at Willowside Middle School. It was an outstanding group of spellers!

The students who placed first through fifth at this event will move on to the Sonoma County Elementary Spelling Competition, which will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016 at the Sonoma County Office of Education.

The top five spellers from this regional event are pictured below followed by a listing of all participating students.

1—Stuart Hartman, grade 6, Olivet Charter School
2—Tyler Whitehorn, grade 5, Gravenstein Elementary School
3—Nick Petersen, grade 6, Lawrence E. Jones Middle School
4—Bella Ferguson, grade 6, Hillcrest Middle School
5—Kevin McCune, grade 5, Olivet Charter School

6—Ahri Fowler Parnay, grade 6, Brook Haven School
7—Katelyn Barone, grade 4, Park Side School
8—Drake Bolt, grade 6, Pleasant Hill Christian
9—Emmit Cannaday, grade 6, Brook Haven School
10—Karina Konezny, grade 5, Orchard View Charter
11—Duc Nguyen, grade 4, Meadow View School
12—Ashton Arnovick, grade 6, Willowside Middle Charter School
13—James Phan, grade 4, Monte Vista Elementary School
14—Stephanie Chavez Gonzalez, grade 4, Meadow View School
15—Carmen Soto, grade 5, Wright Charter School
16—Taylor Carlson, grade 5, Jack London School
17—Callie Courts, grade 6, Hillcrest Middle School
18—Kingston Antholzer, grade 6, Willowside Middle Charter School
19—Grifon Canton-Jensen, grade 6, Orchard View Charter School
20—Donovan Mitchell, grade 6, J.X. Wilson School
21—Janice Williams, grade 4, Gravenstein Elementary School
22—Nayeli Velasquez, grade 5, Roseland Elementary School
23—Abigail Drury, grade 5, Forestville Academy
24—Jonah Stiles, grade 5, Wright Charter School
25—Gioia Steck-Benthin, grade 6, Woodland Star Charter School
26—Nathaniel Roland, grade 6, Sheppard Accelerated School
27—Leandro Sanchez, grade 6, Roseland Elementary School
28—Athina Sanchez, grade 4, Forestville Academy
29—Ethan Stults, grade 6, J.X. Wilson School
30—Asher Audronis, grade 6, Guerneville School
31—Liana Naizghi, grade 5, Jack London School
32—Eddie Olivera-Regalado, grade 4, Park Side School
33—Nancy Rios, grade 4, Monte Vista Elementary School
34—Danielle MacCarthy, grade 6, Woodland Star Charter

Did not attend:
Jai Woods, Salmon Creek: A Charter School
Ulises Frick, Salmon Creek: A Charter School
Adriana Rodriguez, Sheppard Accelerated School
Dana Cowley, Lawrence E. Jones Middle School
Pablo Cruz Moreno, Guerneville School

###