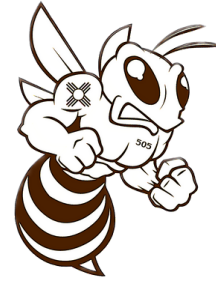


# 'BURQUE BEE RULES



- 'Burque Bee is a team spelling bee
- Teams have three members.
- There will be three winners: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.
- This is not an elimination bee. Winning teams are determined by points earned.
- Teams chose a Declarer who will speak for the team.
- Word Categories: 2 points, 4 points, and 6 points.
- Teams take turns in alphabetical order.
- Teams choose their word category.
- The Emcee says the word, defines it, uses the word in a sentence, and says the word again.
- Teams confer for 30 seconds and then spell the word.
- Coupons
  - Help Coupons. A team can ask an audience member to spell the word. The Emcee will pick the audience member.
  - Sting Coupons. A team may choose not to spell a word, forfeit points for that round and pass the word to a competing team (Team 2). The Sting Round will serve as Team 2's turn for the round. If Team 2 does not correctly spell the word, the word value is deducted from its score.
  - More Time Coupons. A team can ask for 30 more seconds to confer.
  - Teams start with 1 Help Coupon, 1 Sting Coupon and 1 More Time Coupon.
  - Teams can purchase additional coupons for \$5.00 each.
- Judges' decisions on challenges are final.
- Ties. In the event of a tie for 1st, 2nd, and/or 3rd place, tying teams will participate in sudden death overtime.
  - A coin toss will determine who spells first.
  - Teams cannot use coupons during overtime.
  - The Emcee will choose a 6 point word. Team 1 will have 30 seconds to confer and spell the word. If Team 1 fails to spell the word, Team 2 has 10 seconds to confer and spell the word.
  - If Team 2 does not spell the word, the Emcee chooses another 6 point word and repeat until a team spells the word correctly.