



**To: Elementary Principals
Teachers of Grades Fourth and Fifth**

From: Butte County Farm Bureau

Subject: 14th Annual Agribee™

Date:

Your fourth and fifth grade students are invited to participate in the Agribee™ which will be held Friday, November 16, 2018 at the historic Patrick Ranch in Durham, California. All schools in Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba counties are invited to participate in this unique and educational spelling bee. The Rules and Contest Procedures document should answer all of your questions about the contest process.

We have held eleven very successful Agribee's and we are very excited about the 2018 Agribee. A new laptop computer will be presented to the first place spelling champion along with media coverage by local newspapers and television. The top 25% of participants will receive additional prizes. In addition the school and teacher of the first place spelling champion will be recognized with a special award. All finalists will receive a participation medal and an Agribee t-shirt.

The Butte County Farm Bureau recognizes how little extra time there is in a school day to add something new. However, the Agribee is in line with social studies curriculum at the fourth grade and is designed to support and augment students learning. We hope your school will be able to find time to participate in this worthwhile, educational activity. It could be organized at your school site as an afterschool activity with interested students participating. It is not necessary for every classroom at the school site to take part although we hope they will. You may use a process which works best for you to identify two school finalists for our Agribee Finals on November 16, 2018.

The application to participate needs to be returned to the Butte County Farm Bureau office by September 28, 2018. We are looking forward to receiving one from your school!

Please contact us if you have questions or need more information.

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