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NOTRE DAME ACADEMY STUDENT TO COMPETE IN ARCHDIOCESAN SPELLING BEE

First Place and Runner Up Move on to GISA Spelling Bee February 12

Megan Fisher, a 4th Grader at Notre Dame Academy, will compete in the Archdiocesan Spelling Bee during Catholic Schools Week on Tuesday, January 27, at St. Jude the Apostle School, after recently placing first in Notre Dame's fourth annual Spelling Bee competition.

Sixteen Notre Dame Academy students from grades four through eight participated in the Spelling Bee. Megan won the competition with the word "sacrifice". Sixth Grader Liam Thayer was declared the runner-up after successfully spelling the word "adversary" in a "spell-off" with 4th Grader Thomas Adams. Liam is also invited to watch the competition.

In addition, both Megan and Liam will compete in the Georgia Independent School Association (GISA) Spelling Bee on Thursday, February 12. Participants in this bee are eligible to qualify for the bees that lead up to the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee in Washington, D. C.

The following Notre Dame students participated in the spelling bee:

Megan Fisher, 4th Grade
Mary Catherine Camacho, 4th Grade
Jackson DeLeede, 4th Grade
Thomas Adams, 4th Grade
Brendan Furry, 5th Grade

Madeline Fairley, 5th Grade
Nicole Schroeder, 5th Grade
Matthew Sharon, 5th Grade
Marian Metzger, 6th Grade
Liam Thayer, 6th Grade
Charlotte Steinichen, 6th Grade
Clara Gastaldi, 6th Grade
Stefania Monti, 7th Grade
Gabby Mancini, 7th Grade (absent)
Conner Lentz, 7th Grade
Robert Lowden, 7th Grade (absent)
Conor Brennan, 8th Grade
Yasmina Milord, 8th Grade

Notre Dame Academy is an independent, Marist-sponsored Catholic school serving Pre-K3 through 8th grades and is located at 4635 River Green Pkwy. in Duluth, GA. Families interested in the school can find them online at www.ndacademy.org or may schedule a tour calling by (678) 387-9385

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