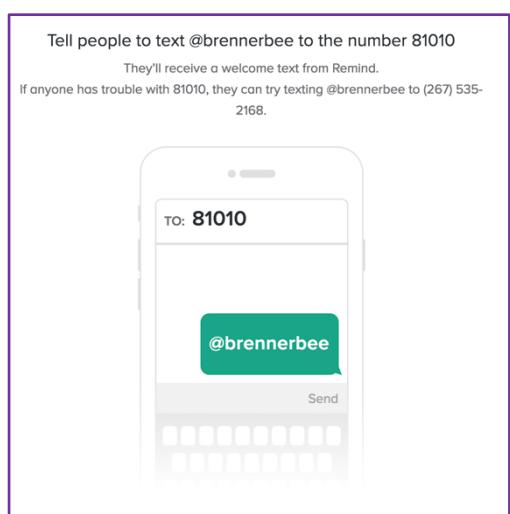


## Welcome to the 2018-2019 Spelling Bee Season!

For those of you that do not know me, my name is Amara Lee Brenner. I have been doing the Tulare County Spelling Bee for four years now and I just love it. The story of language is the story of history and it just fascinates me... From the Great Vowel Shift in the Middle Ages to the acquisition of new words with new inventions, like “horsepower” and “dashboard.” I am honored to be the Spelling Coach for the 2018-2019 School year.



If you plan to participate this year, please join the Remind Group for it. (See image.) I would like to host practices after school, every Thursday, beginning in October. We will be receiving the study guide lists, the words used at last year's competition, a copy of the rules – all that jazz. The Thursday practices will go from 3:40-4:15. Students who are not picked up by 4:20 will be sent with the after school program. We will have study group and lessons, learning the French spelling patterns, the German spelling patterns,... the funky things that break the rules.

To join the Spelling Bee Group, please 81010 with the message @brennerbee

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Practice Starts → Oct 4th

School wide Spelling Bee → To Be Announced

Tulare County Spelling Bee → February 20<sup>th</sup>, Convention Center

Let's get it started,

Ms. Amara Lee Brenner