



**WOODRIDGE**  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 68

memo

To: Board of Education  
From: Amy Melinder, Director of Community Engagement  
Date: February 23, 2026  
Re: District Highlights

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Comments: **Woodridge 68 crowns spelling bee champion**  
Congratulations to Evelyn Smith, an 8th grader at Jefferson Junior High, who earned first place at the Woodridge 68 Spelling Bee following an exciting 17-round competition that ended in a back-and-forth finish between the final two spellers. Evelyn clinched the title with the winning word corrosive.

This achievement marks Evelyn's second district spelling bee championship; she previously won in 2024 as a 6th grader at Willow Creek. Evelyn went on to represent Woodridge 68 at the DuPage County Spelling Bee.