

Farrington Contest and Awards
Saturday, January 30, 2010, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Spring Branch Middle School, 1000 Piney Point
Houston, TX 77024

Farrington Awards are given by HATFL each year in honor of Curtis Farrington, an original founder and the first president of HATFL. These awards are funded from contributions, entry fees, and membership dues. This year they are funded through the generous contributions of the exhibitors at the annual meeting. HATFL is presenting the Farrington Awards on January 30th, the same day of testing, to outstanding students in all languages and levels tested.

Languages and Levels:

- ESL, French, German, and Latin: Levels I, II, and Advanced: **No Heritage Speaker may test in these languages in any level.**
- ASL: Levels I, II, and III.
- Spanish (non-native.): Levels I, II, III, and Advanced
- Spanish Heritage Speakers: Intermediate and Advanced
- Japanese: Levels II, III, and IV **No Heritage Speaker may test in this language.**

No students who are considered outside experience or heritage learners may be registered for levels I or II. **Outside experience** is defined as any student who **has lived or studied for any length of time** in an environment where the target language is spoken. When in doubt contact the language representative on the next page.

Heritage Speakers are those students who have been exposed at some level to the language in their home environment.

Schedule:

8:30 - 9:00	Arrival and Room Assignments
9:00 - 10:00	Multiple Choice Exam in Designated Classrooms
10:00 - 10:30	Break
10:30 - 11:30	Oral Contest for semi-finalists in Designated Classrooms
11:30 - 12:00	Light refreshments in the Cafeteria
12:00 - 12:30	Awards in the Auditorium

How To Enter Students In The 2010 Farrington Awards:

- **Each campus** can enter up to three **(3) STUDENTS PER LANGUAGE PER LEVEL**
- Students **must be** in the appropriate level of the language or they must have just completed the level.
- Entry fee for each student must accompany the 2010 Farrington Contest Entry form (**See attachment**).
- Deadline for **Registration (\$10 per student)** for the 2010 Farrington Awards is **January 16, 2010**. Onsite registration (not encouraged) will cost \$15 per student. Entry forms and fees must be postmarked by these dates or they will not be accepted. **Checks are to be made payable to HATFL.**
- Teachers who enter students into the Farrington Contest must be a current 2009 HATFL member or submit a \$5.00 Farrington participation fee

Format For The Farrington Contest:

Multiple Choice Exam: The multiple choice exam will be given first to all entrants and will be limited to one hour. All students will be asked to complete a writing portion which will be used only for breaking ties. All students will receive participation certificates at this time. Top scoring students will be requested to remain for the speaking portion.

- **Oral Exam:** Students competing for the Farrington awards should be prepared to speak about general topics related to course objectives for the test they are taking. Advanced level tests will include the use of past and future tenses in discussing cultural comparisons and contrasts. All students who qualify for the oral exam will receive semi-finalist certificates.

Awards Ceremony:

The awards ceremony will take place immediately following the oral testing and the reception, at 12:00 noon. The students who place 1st, 2nd, or 3rd will receive a certificate and a cash scholarship as follows:

First Place: \$75.00 Second Place: \$50.00 Third place: \$25.00

Directions to the Farrington Award Testing Site Spring Branch Middle School 1000 Piney Point, Houston, TX 77024

Directions to Farrington Award Testing site:

Take I-10 Katy Freeway. Take the Echo Lane/Blalock exit and go south on Echo Lane. You'll see a Kroger shopping center on the right and a McDonalds on the left. Go straight. You will see Memorial Church of Christ on your left, and Memorial High School will be on your right. At the 2nd light which will be the Gaylord intersection, turn left. You will go one block and take a left on Piney Point. The school will be on your right.

Upon arrival at Spring Branch Middle School:

All Farrington participants, students and teachers, should enter the building **only** at the front entrances. Once inside the building, contestants and teachers will be directed by signs and/or ushers.

Parking There is limited parking in front of the school for parents and volunteers. Buses will drop off students in front of the school. They will then go to the driveway at the far end of the school, turn in and park in the back of the school.

Persons To Contact For Information Or To Help With The 2010 Farrington Testing And Awards:

*(Yes, HATFL needs your help! **Volunteers will receive PDAS certificates.**)*

American Sign Language	Sharon Till Fort Bend ISD sharon.till@fortbendisd.com
ESL	Eileen Kress Katy ISD EileenKress@Katyisd.org
French	Margaret Brazzel Spring Branch ISD Margaret.Brazzel@springbranchisd.com
German	Jürgen Müller Spring Branch ISD Juergen.mueller@springbranchisd.com
Japanese	Masumi Reade Conroe ISD Masumi.reade@gmail.com
Latin	Mary Mouret Fort Bend ISD MaryMouret@fortbend.k12.tx.us
Spanish	Elly Hinojosa Katy ISD gloriahinojosa@katyisd.org
Spanish Heritage Speakers	Norma Muñiz Katy ISD normamuniz@katyisd.org

2010 FARRINGTON CONTEST ENTRY FORM Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Languages

Teacher Information: (please print clearly)

Name _____

School & School District _____

Ph. # :(Home) _____ (School) _____

(Cell) _____ (Fax) _____

Email address: _____

2009 HATFL Member: yes no If no, submit \$5.00

Because of the large number of students testing, registration and payment must be postmarked January 16, 2010.

Please make copies and use a separate page for each language and level.

Circle Language and Level – One language and 1 level per page

Language	Level	Level	Level	Level
ASL	I	II	III	N/A
ESL	I	II	N/A	Advanced
Latin	I	II	N/A	Advanced
French	I	II	N/A	Advanced
German	I	II	N/A	Advanced
Spanish (non native)	I	II	III	Advanced
Spanish Heritage Speakers	N/A	Intermediate	N/A	Advanced
Japanese	N/A	II	III	Advanced

Student Information: (Please print clearly)

Pd.

1. Student Name _____ Grade Level: _____

2. Student Name _____ Grade Level: _____

3. Student Name _____ Grade Level: _____

4. Teacher fee if not a 2009 member of HATFL (\$5.00) _____

TOTAL: _____

Entry forms must be postmarked by January 16, 2010. (Registrations postmarked after 1/16/10 must pay onsite fee of 15.00 per student)

**Testing will take place on January 30, 2010, at Spring Branch Middle School, 1000 Piney Point Houston, TX 77024
Send the \$10.00 entry fee for each student entering the Farrington Contest and \$5.00 teacher fee if you are not a 2009 member of HATFL (checks payable to HATFL) along with the above entry form:**

**to: Mary Moreno, HATFL Treasurer
 2100 Tanglewilde Ave., Unit 14
 Houston, TX 77063**

**Questions:
Call Mary Endress, President
281 396 7632
maryendress@katyisd.org**

Winning students, teachers, and parents are invited to attend the Awards Reception in the auditorium at Spring Branch Middle School, 1000 Piney Point Houston, TX immediately following the testing on **January 30, 2010**

NOTE: Annual Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Languages (HATFL) meeting will be February 20, 2010, at University of St. Thomas.