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Celebrating 18th year of Promoting Excellence in Education

When North South Foundation (NSF) was established in 1989, our vision was to eliminate money as a barrier for advancement, especially for children who have demonstrated academic excellence. Consistent with this vision, the Foundation began providing college scholarships in India for those who excel among the poor. In contrast, in the US, the Foundation began encouraging academic excellence among the children of Indian-American community through educational contests such as the spelling bee, since 1993. Over the years new contests have been added, which now include vocabulary, math, geography, essay writing, public speaking and brain bee.

The Foundation has come a long way during the last 18 years. The following table provides some statistical highlights:

	1994	1999	2004	2006
India				
Chapters	3	5	10	15
Scholarships*	110	154	300	400
Cumulative Scholarships	310	1,040	2,400	3100
* - includes renewals				
US/Canada				
Contests	2	2	9	17
Chapters	16	18	46	60
Children Participating	800	800	3,200	6300
Cumulative Participation	1,600	5,600	13,160	24,840
Scholarships for Champions	6	7	24	33
Cumulative Scholarships	12	43	101	161

It is gratifying to know that NSF has been able to serve thousands of talented children both in India and North America. The credit goes to the thousands of dedicated volunteers, donors, and parents. We are grateful to all of them. We are getting queries to start educational contests in India. We had embarked on a pilot spelling bee contest in Orissa for the last three years. There was also a pilot spelling bee in Andhra Pradesh during 2006. We are looking for volunteers to administer contests in India. If you are or someone you know is interested, please send an e-mail to contests@northsouth.org. We see this as a great opportunity to improve the educational skills of children in India.

In closing we wish to thank all stakeholders including donors, parents, volunteers, well wishers, and beneficiaries.

- National Team, North South Foundation

What is North South Foundation



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North South Foundation is a non-profit organization established in Illinois in 1989. It received tax-exempt status under the IRS Section 501(c)(3).

Our Mission is to promote excellence in human endeavor, to develop human resources, to help people achieve success regardless of religion, gender, caste, geographic origin by giving hope to those who may have none.

The Foundation is all-volunteer driven. While organizing events, we strive to get discounts from our vendors and sponsorships for our awards. These measures keep our expenses down and channel donated funds more towards helping the needy. Our overhead is five percent or less.

The Scholarship program in India is designed to encourage excellence among the poor. It is targeted at qualified, needy students entering college. Over 3,000 scholarships have been awarded to date. Our plan calls for 500 scholarships this year. Each scholarship is \$250 per student per year. Awards are made following strict selection criteria based on merit and need. Students are selected from 15 centers in India: Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Bhubaneswar, Kochi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Jamshedpur, Jodhpur, Kanpur, Katihar, Kolkata, Madurai, Pune, Sibsagar and Trivandrum.

These centers are run by dedicated volunteers who are committed to the noble cause of helping the poor who excel at academics attend college.

Please contact us if you can help us start chapters in other states.

Donors can sponsor designated college scholarships or sponsor awards in their alumni high school.

Educational contests in the US are designed to encourage academic excellence among Indian American children

The spelling, vocabulary, math, essay writing, public speaking and geography bees are conducted annually in two steps. Children initially participate in more than 60 centers in the US. Please contact us if you would like to have a chapter in your area.

Winners of these contests are invited for the national finals. National top rankers are warded scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$250, redeemable in the winners' freshman year of college.

Children can enter into most of the contests starting from grade 1. Some contests are open for up to 12th grade. Children are grouped by grade to participate in a particular contest. The contests help focus students' attention on the PSAT and SAT exams. Brain bee is conducted only at the national level.

Accomplishments of NSF Children: Many NSF children have scored top ranks in the Scripps National Spelling Bee, National Geographic Bee and MATHCOUNTS. Sai Gunturi won the Scripps Championship in 2003,

while Samir Patel bagged 2nd place in 2005. Top colleges in the nation have accepted numerous NSF winners. More importantly, these contests help children improve their communication skills, self-confidence and empower them to become better citizens for tomorrow.

Role Model Award: The Foundation has awarded its inaugural Role Model Award,

'Vishwa Jyothi' to Rajiv Vinnakota in 2003 and Nipun Mehta in 2004. It helps to showcase human values and academic excellence to the children of Indian American community.

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Highlights During 2006

The year 2006 saw several notable accomplishments.

- NSF had a record umber of 62 chapters with **4 new chapter** openings during 2006; Tampa, FL: Nashville, TN; Fairfax, VA and Milwaukee, WI.
- The last three years have seen tremendous growth for the academic contests held by NSF in 62 regional centers, as registrations rose from 1,600 in 2003 to 6,300 this year. Building on the success of the pilot Geography Bee in 2005, NSF opened Geography Bee for all centers in 2006. The Math Bee contest at various levels attracted a record 2.300 contestants in 2006 and had the most number of contestants. The Junior Spelling Bee continued to attract the most contestants in a single contest as it had 1,450 contestants countrywide. We are indebted to all the new and existing regional coordinators and volunteers who worked hard to make the regional contests successful.
- In today's "flat" world, communication is an exceedingly important asset that we and our children have to excel at. Public speaking is the denouement of the learning that commenced with spelling and incorporates learning from vocabulary and essay-writing. Kudos to **Dr. Raja Krishnan (MI), Dr.**

Thiru Seshan (CT), Prasad Yalamanchi (IL), Yasmin Aminuddin (MA), Dr. Ratnam Chitturi (IL) and Dr. Samit Bhattacharya (CT) for helping jumpstart the Public Speaking contest this year. This was subdivided to Junior (Grades 6-8) and Senior (Grades 9-12). The combined Public Speaking contests at the pilot centers attracted 150 contestants. The Senior Public Speaking was also held as a pilot in the National Finals.

- After the successful pilot in 2005, Senior Geography was introduced in the national final for the first time during 2006. Thanks to Sumana Sur (CA), Janakiram Puppala (CA), Vasanthi Vennapusa (MA), Bharati Pastapur (KS) and Ravi Vyapuri (MA) for making the Geography Bee Finals possible.
- A record 1,300 regional rank holders and other top scorers in the regional Spelling, Vocabulary, Math, Geography, Public Speaking, Brain Bee and Essay contests were invited to the National Finals. The National Championship Finals were conducted at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois for the second time in a row during August 26th-27th with an attendance of 777 contestants.

- Bhakti Nagalla and Professor Mohan Sapru conducted the annual Brain Bee during the National Finals. It attracted 40 contestants.
- The Boston chapter sponsored the fourth **Tristate (MA-NH-RI) Walk-a-thon.** The **Detroit, CT and Chicago** centers also held their annual Walk-a-thons. The CT chapter organized **charity tennis tournaments** as fundraisers. The NSF chapter in Palo Alto conducted a unique Indian event, Mela to bring together the supporters and participants of NSF educational contests.
- **Priya Ranade,** a high-schooler and past regional spelling and vocabulary champion in CT, coordinated a fundraising concert by maestro Dr. Stanley Scott to benefit NSF in Connecticut. A total of over \$3300 was raised from this concert-fundraiser.
- Former NSF Bee winners Akshat Shekhar, Kavya Shivshankar, Nilesh Raval, Aishwarya Pastapur, Avinash Radakrishnan, Vikas Vavilala, Samir Patel, Rajiv Tarigopula, Esha Purohit, Nandhini Sundaresan and Mouctika Paluri, captured the top places in their respective State Scripps Howard Spelling bees. They traveled to Washington, D.C., in May to participate in the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee. Rajiv Tarigopula was the highest finisher amongst them as he earned the 4th place for the second year in a row.
- In the National Geography Final, NSF participants Neeraj Sirdeshmukh and Yeshwanth Kandimalla won the 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Bonny Jain, the National Geography champion who was not a NSF contestant quickly became a part of the NSF family as he and his parents

- Rohit and Beena Jain volunteered for the National Finals and also are part of the Geography bee team. Other NSF participants who got high ranks at the National Geography Final include Suneil K. Iyer (4th), Krishnan V. Chandra (5th) and Matthew J. Vengalil (6th). Ram Iyer, father of Suneil has also joined the Math Core team.
- **Arjun Puranik**, a NSF contestant and champion won 12th place in the National Math Counts competition.
- The **Dollar-A-Square (DAS)** program which empowers children in US to help raise funds for scholarships for poor children in India has had a great amount off success as a total of \$4523 was raised by 47 kids as of November 2006. Continuing on with the tradition from past years, children and contestants who had participated in North South Foundation's Dollar-A-Square (DAS) program were recognized at the National Finals by **Madhavi Nathan Oliver**, the director of the DAS program.

Matching Gifts: There are many companies that encourage giving for education by matching a dollar for a dollar gift to their employee contributions. This is a nice way to double your contributions to the Foundation. Please find out if vour employer does this. The Foundation has received matching funds from several well-known companies including BP, Cisco, Compuware, Dun & Broad St, Fleet Boston, Monsanto, National Semiconductor, Omgeo, Oracle, Pitney Bowes, Pfizer, Reader's Digest, Reebok, Sun Micro Systems, Symphony Corporation, Tudor Investment, and Verizon. In addition the Foundation is grateful to all the corporate employees

contributing to **United Way** who have **designated** their company's matching gift for North South Foundation scholarships. For further information, please call 630-323-1966.

Volunteers: The Foundation is looking for volunteers in many areas of its endeavors. The success of any public foundation depends on its volunteers. It is the collective efforts of volunteers that made this Foundation what it is today. Volunteerism is like an elastic band. You only need to spare as little as you can afford or extend as much as you love to contribute. You will get the satisfaction of promoting excellence

in education among the most impoverished in India and children in our community in the US. Some corporations also encourage their employees to become volunteers by providing financial contribution. The Foundation received such contributions from Allstate, HSBC and Pfizer.

Educational Contests in the US: The expenses for conducting the contests are covered by registration fees and local collections. The scholarships for the National Champions are covered by contributions from individuals, non-profit organizations, and excess funds remaining from the registration fees.

How are the Candidates Selected for Scholarships in India?

This is a question often asked by many potential donors. They want to know that their hard-earned money is helping the most deserving pupil, not just any deserving. They know the need is there everywhere. They also know that everyone can't be helped because of limited resources. So they want their contribution go to the very best.

NSF currently has fifteen centers for giving scholarships in India: Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Bhubaneswar, Chennai, Hyderabad, Jodhpur, Jamshedpur, Kanpur, Katihar, Kochi, Kolkata, Madurai, Pune, Sibsagar, and Trivandrum. Here is a brief synopsis of the entire process at a typical center.

Get Ready: Each center monitors their

local Common Entrance Test (CET) schedules. Shortly after the examinations have taken place, the local NSF center (or the NSF USA at the request of the local center) prepares a formal press release (announcement) about the scholarship program for the upcoming academic year.

Go to Press: The aim is to get the word out to all eligible students. The announcement is sent to all local newspapers, and other media including TV and radio. The content is disseminated both in English and in the local language. The media does this free of charge as a community service. This announcement normally is made between June and August to coincide with the examination results. All eligible students are

encouraged to write to the local center for application forms. Students have two to four weeks to send in their applications, along with their academic scores and documents on their financial status.

Form a Selection Committee: While the applications are being received, a Selection Committee gets established. Selecting the right people to be on this Committee is one of the most crucial elements in the process. Committee members within each center are selected based on their credentials and respect in the community. Usually three to five members are appointed based on their respective integrity, honesty, character, trust, and reputation.

Selection Process: The Selection Committee screens all applications based on academic qualifications first, and on the financial need second. To be eligible, a student must score among the top five percent, which is relaxed to ten percent in the case of rural and girl students. The annual family income should not exceed Rs. 40.000 in urban areas and Rs. 28,000 in rural area. As NSF is the last resort for providing financial assistance to a needy student, those who are eligible for other scholarships or financial aid are not eligible for NSF aid. Of those eligible, a short list of the most deserving candidates is made for an in-person interview. Each student and a parent are interviewed and verifications are made as to the genuineness of their application. Candidates are reimbursed for one-way travel to the local NSF center. The interview process and the verification process are quite extensive, as every effort is made to be sure

the aid is going to the most-needy and deserving among the poor.

Communication with Central Office and NSF USA: After a center finalizes its choice of candidates, the information is sent to the national coordinator. Here, the list is further verified to ensure the norms are being uniformly implemented across all centers, and the information is in turn relaved to NSF USA. Following the confirmation of the finalists, funds are disbursed to the selected candidates. Return receipts for the funds received by the students are sent back to the central office. Finally, an award ceremony is often scheduled where the press is invited. This not only helps the student in being recognized, but also makes more people become aware of NSF

Renewals: The student must maintain high academic standards for the scholarship to be renewed for each year of study. The scholarships currently cover 100% of tuition fee in most states. The student and family are expected to cover the remaining costs either through their own funds or other scholarships.

NSF is growing every year. The average award is about \$250 per student per year. In order to establish a new NSF center, it is necessary to be able to support 10 scholarships. Therefore, if the award is given for four years, then at least \$10,000 per year is needed to establish and maintain a new center

In a nutshell this is the entire NSF scholarship process. The Foundation welcomes any new ideas or thoughts for improving this process.

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Can you be as good as your child?

Madhav Durbha, Ph.D.

As someone once said dreaming is a form of planning. Stop a random kid on the street and ask what he/she wants to be when they grow up. I can't think of an instance where a kid did not respond immediately by saying "I want to be a pilot" or "I want to be president of USA" or "I want to be a vet." Whatever it is, you see the twinkle in their eye & you hear the response from their heart. Now, stop an adult randomly on the street and ask him/her "where would you like to be 5 years from now?" Assuming you get past the first hurdle of

"why do you care?", most likely you get a "deer caught in the headlight" look, followed by a sincere "hmmm....

Not too sure.... I haven't quite thought about it" or after a brief pause you get "I want to own a million dollar home" coming from the tip of their tongue.

So, do we lose our ability to dream about all the great things we can achieve in years to come, as we grow older? Is it just the hard facts & realities of life that sink in once you reach a certain age that put a damper on your dreams? Do we get so caught up in the rat race of our day-to-day life that we lose the ability to dream? Or do we get so short sighted that we are concerned about events that could potentially happen few days or weeks down the road that we lose sight of the big picture?

What is the difference between a kid who has a clear answer for what he wants to be when he grows up, and a grown up who has no clear idea of where he wants to be 3, 4, or 5 years down the road? A kid's mind is like a sponge that is open and constantly absorbing what it sees. But as the kid grows and starts facing the hard realities of life, does this sponge get so soaked up & saturated that it loses the ability to absorb more? Is it because the kid doesn't have to worry about paying mortgage & credit card bills that he is able to dream big? Is it because he doesn't need to bother with making an executive presentation next week or because he doesn't need to sit with his boss for a performance review the week after? Is it because he doesn't need to bother taking the car out for an oil change? Or is it because he doesn't spend time worrying about getting stuck in the same job with no promotion for 10 years? What is it that makes a child a much better dreamer than a grown up? Can an adult emulate a child to be a better dreamer and hence a better planner?

I will not attempt to provide an authoritative answer to this question. If you can, I certainly want to hear all about it. However, I will attempt to highlight a few attributes and qualities that set a child apart from an average adult.

Stimulation of thought: A child is on an accelerated learning path. Observe for 3 months, what your 2nd grader learns in her class. Let's pretend we have a vard stick to measure one's knowledge. Do you believe she measures & scores more on this knowledge scale more than what she did 3 months ago? I certainly do. Try and quantify by what percentage she has improved on this knowledge scale. Is it 5%? 10%? 20%? I have to admit it is hard, but say. by some magic you pull some number together, it is highly subjective. But one thing for sure is it is some respectable and considerable percentage change. Now apply the same measure to an average adult who earns his living being a doctor, lawyer, carpenter, or a plumber. Apply the knowledge yardstick to this person now and 3 months later. What is the percentage improvement? I know it is hard to quantify, but unlike in the 2nd grader's case, the answer here in most instances is very close to 0%, if not 0%. So what is the fundamental difference? Your 2nd grader is being exposed to newer forms of knowledge every day. Whether it is learning to add 2-digit numbers or knowing where USA is on the globe on her teacher's desk. Whereas how many newer forms of knowledge does an adult is being exposed to on a day-to-day basis? How much of a variation is there in the day of an average working adult? Knowledge stimulates thoughts. Thoughts trigger dreams and dreams set the upper limit of what you can be. Stimulate your thoughts by learning more. Learn by reading more, interacting with others more, and by introspecting yourself.

Ability to focus your mind on good over evil:- I was walking my 6-yr old

to her bus stop one morning. With a sudden stop, she pulled my hand and shouted "Dad! Look!", pointing to the sidewalk. Looking at her excitement I frantically started looking for possibly a \$100 bill she spotted on the sidewalk. She continued & to my utter disappointment, she said "I finally found a red rock for my rock collection." Without serious consideration to my disappointment, she carefully picked up the rock and admired it for a few seconds before putting it in her backpack. For those few moments she forgot all about missing the school bus or being tardy in school. It is the ability to enjoy nature's gifts is what sets a child apart from an adult. How many times have you seen an excited adult chasing a butterfly or jumping with joy for spotting a squirrel in the backyard? While you are having nightmares of clearing the drive way and paying the gas bills with the upcoming winter, that kid down the street is making plans to make a snowman bigger than last year's. Granted. There is enough misery around us. But so is enough good as a countermeasure. Your glass of milk can be half-empty or half-full. You take your pick! Positive thoughts feed positive dreams and you are what you dream to be!

Tenacity:- Have you observed a toddler working on her motor skills? She spends hours trying to put those 10 blocks stacked up, one on top of the other, without getting tired or frustrated. The dream or the vision of 10 blocks, one on top of other, standing tall is what keeps her going. How many times have you seen an adult think about a hard-to-crack problem for 30 minutes and move on to do something else with no solution at hand? I'm sure more often than the toddler who gives up the blocks in 30 minutes.

This scaling down of the ability to dream big to a large extent is a gradual process. As a child grows into an adult. he starts experiencing road bumps along the way. Whether it is not scoring well on an exam or losing that tennis match, at which point he starts questioning his abilities rather than focusing on how to get better next time. "May be a C+ is the best I can make in math" or "well, getting to quarter finals in my school district is good enough for me." Subconsciously he loses the ability to even imagining scoring 100% in math or holding that trophy in the hand. Some of the qualities I listed above. i.e., stimulation of thought, ability to focus vour mind and tenacity, while very common in a child, are what set apart great adults from just average beings. Steve Jobs wouldn't have turned around Apple into the highly profitable company it is today without the stimulating thoughts and ideas. Mahatma Gandhi's ability to focus his mind on all the good that an independent India becomes is what made him lead the freedom struggle against British. Bill Gates' tenacity has set Microsoft apart from hundreds of other companies with great ideas that perished.

I admit. Not everyone can be a Gandhi or Gates. But I firmly believe making a conscious effort to learn from our children and working on some of the qualities listed above will at least make us better human beings. Let me know if you agree!

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Dollar-A-Square Fundraising - For the Children By the Children

The Dollar-A-Square (DAS) is a fund raising program "for the children by the children". DAS, which was started in 2003, is now in its 4th year. Children as young as three years have been collecting donations to help children in India attend school. This year alone 47 kids raised \$4523 (18 scholarships) through this program. Every child is encouraged to join this great team!

What is DAS? Each child gets a pledge sheet with 100 squares and each square is worth one dollar. The children fill one square for every dollar they raise. By going around the neighborhood and asking friends and other parents, children can easily fill in the squares. One complete sheet is \$100 that provides nearly half of a scholarship. For those children who complete one sheet, NSF offers free access to an online educational game. It is something educational and fun; but most of all it develops a giving heart in your child.

Why they did it and how they did it? Children do it to help kids like themselves in India through various ways. This helps them discover compassion in themselves. It also makes them feel good, knowing that being children does not prevent them from making a positive impact on the society. Many kids give up their pocket money, and tooth

fairy money to fill the squares. Some ask for donations in lieu of birthday gifts. Some others collect cans and conserve nature while helping another child!

Here's an extract from one of the kids who wrote to Dr. Chitturi, the founder of NSF: "I collected this amount on my birthday by providing an option to the guests to contribute to DAS in lieu of gifts. I am glad that I am able to contribute towards scholarships for needy students in India. I intend to continue to be involved in the DAS program and other fund raising activities conducted by NSF. I am very thankful to NSF for providing me with an opportunity to participate in this program."

How to begin? Give a DAS pledge sheet to your children and talk to them about DAS. You can start off their collection by giving them some money and checking off the squares on the pledge sheet. Soon they would be full. Two pledge sheets gets you access to both spelling and vocabulary games. By just adding another half you can help a poor child in India go to college for one year. Learn more about DAS on http://www.northsouth.org/dollarasquare.asp.

DAS Coordinators: There are several adult DAS coordinators motivating children in various chapters. A DAS

coordinator helps publicize DAS at events like the bees, walkathons and other events where NSF sets up information booths. If you are interested in becoming a DAS coordinator for NSF, please contact Madavi Oliver at 978-486-0686 or Madavi@outreach-group.com.

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P.R. Suneetha Devi Medicine



TChandraSekharReddy Medicine

Editor's Note: These are the photos received so far for the year 2006. The candidate selection is still going on.

We must not believe the many, who say that only free people ought to be educated, but we should rather believe the philosophers who say that only the educated are free.

Recipients of NSF Scholarships in India

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Name	Rank	Yr	SP	Parent	Name	Rank	Yr.	SP F	arent
V Swapna	380	02	Me	Agri	SribasRoy	146	04	Me	Priv Tutor
M.Saraswati		02	Me	Barber	S Manna	498	04	Me	Labour
A Limitha	149	02	Me	Farmer	AnindyaNandy	89%	04	BS	Unempld
G KishorKumar	345	02	Me		AsitMaity	84%	04	BS	Agri
HBGovardhan	748	02	Me	Agri	AK Das	87%	04	BS	Foodstall
RSuneel	328	02	Me	Expired	SampaBairagi	79%	04	BA	Hawker
MV.MuniReddy	492	02	Me	Expired	SouravAdhikari	96%	04	Me	Farmer
SAparna	31	02	Me		K.Muralidhar	98	04	Eg	Clerk
D.S.Pradeep		02		Agri	M.Santhosh	137	04	Eg	kooli
SantoshKrPandit	246	02	Me	Farmer	V.AnilKumar	904	04	Eg	Clerk
Shyamal Roy	552	02	Me		J.VeerRaju	1073	04	Eg	Weaver
Alpesh Patel	92%	02	Me	ClthVend	A.SreeRamya	6758	04	Eg	Seperated
Rahul Chauhan	84%	02	Me	Dia.Cutter	KVKSVP Rao	245	04	Eg	FatherExp
SuhilRafalia	91%	02	Me	Farmer	PLN Manohar	216	04	Eg	Business
DeepsinhParmar	87%	02		Labourer	MK Prasad	245	04	Po	Farmer
Mehul Jethva	83%	02	Me		AK Susanth	274	04	Po	Farmer
ParagD Chawla	89%	02	Me		MRBNSR Guptha	830	04	Po	Kooli
MB Goswamy	83%	02	Me		M.RamaKrishna	1211	04	Po	Sml Bus.
Svivekanandan	99%	02	Me	DW	ChSriRama Reddy	1320	04	Po	Kirana
N.Mohan Raj	98%	02	Me		V.Kasivishwanath	1681	04	Po	Agri
SalehaDaliat		02	Me		M.Anupama	2194	04	Po	Agri
KakotiSangeeta	16	02	Me	Agri	S.K.Jaleel	2692		Po	Labour
Pankaj Agarwal	78	02	Me		K.Sateesh	2826	04	Po	Farmer
Mohd.Hashim	17	02	Me		Shaik Gousiya	3142		Po	Tailor
K.Sureshbabu	357	03	Eg	Merchant	J.Nageshwara Rao	3734	04	Po	Farmer
B.Satyavathi	844	03	Eg	Labourer	M.Srinivasulu	72%	03	Po	Driver
MVL Mydhili	2214	03	Eg	Mother	A.V Kumar	92%	04		Farmer
M.Anishbabu	220	03	Eg	Farmer	K.RamaKrishna	87%	04	_	Farmer
B.Anil Kumar	3370	03	Eg	Business	N.SitaRamaMurthi		04	Ag	
Ch.Phaneendra	382	03	_	MtherHW	T.Venkateshwarlu	86%	04	_	Farmer
K. Venkatesh	629	03	_	Farmer	Ch.Phanikrishna	86%	04	_	Farmer
P.Anupama	7505	03		Pvt.Job	MLVV Lakshmi	86%	04	_	Farmer
B.Laxman	7	03		small gen.	R.Naseeruddin	86%	04		Farmer
T.Saraladevi	178	03		Agri	D.RamMohan	85%	04	_	PressRep
U.Pavankumar	59	03	_	Hotel wrkr	V.SrinivasaRao	83%	04	_	labour
BVReddy	124	03	_	Agri	N.Sireesha	82%	04	_	Farmer
S Ganesh	90%	04		Eletrician	A.SudeerKumar	81%	04	_	Farmer
S M Kumar	85%	04		Labourer	P.RatnaKumari	81%	04	_	Farmer
P Deepa	82%	04		Painter	B.Naveena	80%	04		Farmer
PVenkatesh	949	04	_	Clerk	P.ArunaKumari	90%	04	_	Farmer
VRSubramaniam	3531	04	_	Coolie	B.R Chaitanya	79%	04	_	Farmer
SShahjahan	1905	04	Eg	Tailor	R RaghuRam	79%	04	_	Marchant
PChinnathai	93%	04	Po	DW	M Sailaja	81%	04		Farmer
D Krithika	94%	04		Driver	S Sridevi	81%	04		Kooli
P Thenmozhi	87%	04		Teastall	A Srilatha	84%			Driver
K Sharmila	88%	04		Coolie	B Bhavani	86%	04		Agri
R Brindapriya	89%	04		Coolie	B V Bharathi	86%	04		Agri
K Lakshmi	84%	04		Coolie	B Anitha	87%	04		Farmer
BRAmarnath	5449	04	_	weaver	MVenkateswarma	89%	04		Farmer
G Prasanna	88%	04		AplmSale	U Y Varalakshmi	90%	04		Farmer
DebajyotiMitra	278	04	_	Ex-Milt	E. Trisanthi	93%	04		Farmer
AnjanSaha	28	04	_	Labour	T Unsath Jahan	81%	04		ArabicTcr
AKBiswas	1864	04	Eg	Unempld	Farah Naaz	82%	04	BS	Business
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Salma Shaheen				Private	Raghavendra KR	76			Farmer
M Chandrakal				Driver	Shyam Pujar	48			Farmer
V Sowmya				Business	Prathima M	1085		_	Retired
M MuraliMohan	80%			Farmer	Rashmi R				Farmer
T PraveenBabu	82%			Sec.grd	M K Singh	736			Electr'n
EBBBhushan Reddy				Agri	Ms SGhosh	102		_	Retired
K Anjineyulu	83%			Kooli	KshitishCh.Jena	1477			Farmer
T Rama Rao	84%			Farmer	UpendraKu.Patra			_	Business
T V Sudhakar	85%			Farmer	Biswanath Dash	1196		_	Farmer
M Ravi	85%			Labour	RajendraSGupta	2443		_	TVMech
G V Babu	85%			Agri	AshishVJaju	88%		Po	
D Naganna	86%			Farmer	TruptiMNaik	86%			Driver
A Nayudu	86%			Farmer	NitaJHinge	85%			Farmer
K Srinivasulu	86%			Farmer	ManjariBPathak	85%		Po	
J Ramprasad	87%			Farmer	SarikaAPatil	80%		Eg	
B K Reddy	87%			Kooli	Khandra Kafle	86%	04	_	Farmer
M Peddanna	88%			Labour	Ashish Thalia	186	04		Operator
P Kiran Kumar	91%			Labour	Surendra Singh	4		_	Farming
G S K Reddy	92%			Kooli	Ajay Pal Pachar	59			Farming
K Ravi Sankar	89%			Petty Bus	Mukesh Agrawal	927	04		Shopkeeper
V V N S Prasad	89%			Weaver	Ameda Ram	22		_	Farmer
D Ramesh	90%			FatherExp	MayankKumarJain	1810			Unempld
K P Krishna	91%			Tailor	VijendraChauhan	196		_	Farmer
B Deepthi	80%			Kooli	ParsaRamBijrania	276			Farmer
V Latha	80%		BS	Crpntr	SDChoudhary	93		_	Farmer
S Prashanthi	81%			Labour	Tinu Sebastian	47		_	Labour
N Lavanya	81%	04	BS	Farmer	Vimal Raj R.N.	27	04	Po	Farmer
T RamyaSri	82%	04	BS	Business	PSPriya	92%	04	Ph	Worker
K RamaDevi	82%	04	BS	Farmer	Sayra Bano	265	05	Ph	Blind
P ShubhaRani	82%	04	BS	Agri	V.R.Reeshma	208	05	Eg	Unempld
V Sravanthi	82%	04	BS	Business	V. Praveen Kumar	54	05	Eg	Labourer
S ShobhaRani	84%	04	BS	Farmer	Khais Kuningatt	267	05	Me	Farmer
M Balakrishna	85%	04	BS	Kooli	V.K.Fazil	1353	05	Eg	Expired
P Rajesh	87%	04	BS	Farmer	Y Mudssar Khan	326	05	Eg	Pensioner
B Madhavi	88%	04	BS	Business	Z AvishkarVijay	90%	05	Po	Market
K VijayaLakshmi	88%	04	BS	Business	K JyotiShyamkant	62%	05	Po	Tailor
G Keerthi	89%	04	BS	Pvt.Tutor	K Prashant P	88%	05	Po	Skilled L
S Chandramouli	90%	04	BS	Labour	A SandipRevaji	69%	05	Po	Farmer
G T Reddy	90%	04	BS	FatherExp	P MayuriBajirao	64%	05	Po	Farmer
M Swathi	90%	04	BS	Business	K GaneshSampat	87%	05	Po	Farmer
Ashwani Ekdote	91%	04	BS	Driver	HVarsharaniUttam	78%	05	Po	Farmer
K.Srikanth	3519	04	Po	Farmer	MDeepaRamchandra	ı 86%	05	Po	Veg Seller
Ch.Balachary	3879	04		Carpenter	CSeemataiBalaso	79%			Farmer
B.Murali	76%	04	Po	Labour	S Shahed Nijam	86%	05	Po	Labourer
G.Sivaji	78%			Farmer	Ahmed Sherief				salesman
Manjunath TA	309			Business	AmarnathShyamraj	5449			
ViswanathaReddy N	307			Farmer	Anitha Gorantla	368	05	Me	Farmer
Nagaraju AS	300			Farmer	Ankurb Bansal	378		Eg	
Santhosh NK	325	04	Eg	Farmer	Arun K	3343	05	Eg	farmer
Usha K	94			Business	Ashok G	1318		_	
Jagadeesh HV	1396			Business	GASreerammurthy	92			farmer
Deepa S	670	04		Driver	Avinash Kumar	1900		_	
Divya R	581	04	Me	Farmer	B Suneetha	4936	05	Po	Tailor
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Recipients of NSF Scholarships in India -Current

Name	Rank	ζ.	Yr. SP	Parent	Name	Rank	Yr.	SP	Parent
B Vijayakumara	7547	05	Eg		Raju Narayana	1562	05	Eg	weaver
B Vishwanatha	603	05	Me		RajuKarthikKumar	- 5	06	Po	
Balu Srikanth	70	05	Eg Tui	itions	Ranjan KumarDas	305	05	Eg	
Biswapriya saha	3008	05	Eg		Ravi Nayak	3235	05	_	Rickshaw
ChandraRohini	3	05	Po Co	oli	Reeshma VR	208	05	Po	
DambarudharSahoo	1567	05	Eg lab	ourer	Riddhi Parekh	63	05	Me	Tuitions
DasaradhaBhavani	2432	6 05	Bm		S Saritha	1	05	Po	
Debjyoti Dutta	1442	05	Eg		Santo Lawrence	72	05	Eg	
Deepak K Swain	81	05	Eg		Santu Bag	368	05	Eg	
Deepak R	923	05	Me		SarodayRavikanth	9200	06	BM	I
Dhanavath BNaik	8	05	Eg Lal	borer	Satyabrata Roul	157	05	Eg	Tailor
DipsinhParmar	1	05	Me		Shaik Akbar	93	05	Po	labourer
Gopi Krishna	211	05	Po		ShajahanSheriff	1905	05	Eg	Tailor
GVeeranjaneyulu	6679	05	Eg We	aver	Shankara C	4061	05	Eg	
Hari Eshu	252	05	Po		Sheetal Mamadgi	3773	05	Eg	
Hassen Basha	3	05	Eg		Sudarvizhi P	774	05	Eg	Farmer
JeganSivalingam	124	05	Me		SuneethaTenthu	600	05	Po	
JitenderChoudhary	797	05	Eg		Thangamani Ch	450	05	Eg	
Kaveri Vetico	6772	05	Me		Upendra Patra	1236	05	Eg	
Kavitha LM	3560	05	Eg gol	dsmith	V K Fasil	1353	05	Eg	tuitions
Khais Kuningatt	267	05	Me		Varsha Pujar	7531	06	Eg	
Kiran Kumar	2995	05	Me		VenkateswaraRao	29	05	Eg	labourer
KLakshmiPramoda	1343	05	Po		Vijay Kumar BS	4922	05	Eg	barber
KS HariKrishnan	533	05	Eg		T Vijayakumar	1812	05	Eg	Weaver
Lalitha R	68	06	O		P N Mani Kumar	1121	06	Po	Farmer
Laxmi Anumkonda	37	05	Eg		KVN Kumar Raju	406	06	Po	Labour
M Chandrakala	5	05	O		P Kanaka Durga	662	06	Po	Labour
M Santoshreddy	96	05	Eg far	mer	I Srisainadh	433	06	Po	Clerk
ManharGauswami	3	05	Me		G Ramakrishna	442	06	Po	Farmer
MD Aminul Islam		05	Eg		K Ashok Kumar	449	06		Farmer
Mohammed NKhar		05	Eg lab	ourer	S Matta Reddy	590	06		Farmer
MukeshKBaliwal	555	05	Eg		G Arun Kumar	5	06		Farmer
Murali Nagaraj	649		CA		Ch Swamy Sagar	2	06		Clerk
N Rajakumari	3500		Po far		S Balaram Kumar	1006	06	_	Shop
Narendra Kumar	257		Eg Tai	lor	K Riyaz Ahmed	32	06	_	Clerk
NithiyaAnantham	1755		Eg		MDSVJPKoteswar		06	_	Service
OzefaAli	269		Eg	_	P Siresha	3362	06	_	Clerk
P Ankamma Rao	2073		Eg lau	-	KRajendraPrasad	3911	06	_	Hotel
P Purnachandra	212		Eg Bu	siness	G S S Satish	3450	06	_	Tailor
P Rajesh	75	05	O		P Siva Reddy	5267	06	_	Cooli
Pavan Kumar K	887		Eg		NPrashanthReddy	176	06		Farmer
Pradeep Punia	1372		Eg		M RajaAmarendra		06		HouseWife
Prasanna G	81	05	0		P R Sunitha Devi	504	06		Farmer
PrashanthKrishna	2639		O Tai	lor	M Hima Bindu	744	06		Farmer
Praveenkumar V	54	05	Eg		T ChandraSReddy	1401	06		Farmer
Puneeth KT		05	Me		Gorla Bhaskar	1791	06		Farmer
R Kaveri	6772		Me far	mer	D Malleswararao	52	06	Me	
Rajani Yadav	5507		Eg		J KrishnaShahu	4	06	_	Business
VRajendraPrasad	1170		Po		B Kesharinanda	186	06	_	SalesMan
KRajendraPrasad	150		Eg		SurajKumarSaraf	461	06	Eg	Labour
RajendraKumar	58	05	Eg						

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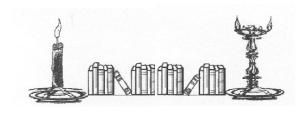
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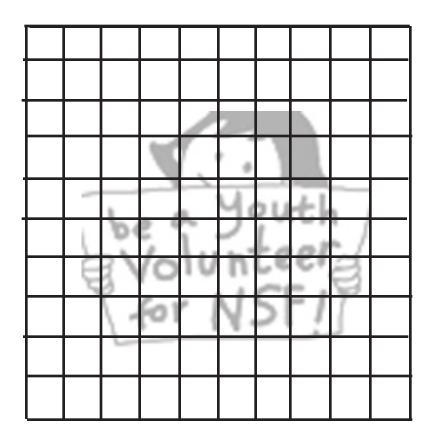
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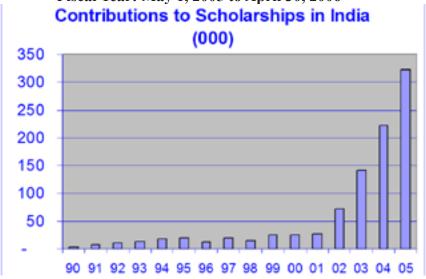
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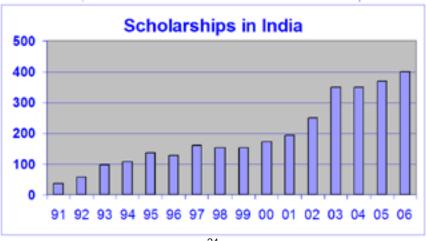
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The river of giving flows once again... Education is truly a gift for a lifetime. North South Foundation (NSF) is able to give this gift to so many under privileged children growing up in India through you - the donors - who donated all through the year and at many NSF fundraising events. During this year, NSF held six major fundraising events around the country. NSF is grateful to all the participants, contributors, and the many volunteers whose enthusiasm and tireless efforts have made these events a success. Everyone who donated in 2006 has indeed started a ripple effect, which will improve the life of more and more underprivileged Indians.

Hopkinton, MA – June 18, 2006: The 6th annual walk-a-thon for fundraising was organized at Hopkinton state park in Massachusetts. Several children, who attended the event, also raised funds through the Dollar-a-square program to support the scholarships for needy children in India. Every one enjoyed a sumptuous lunch, donated by local restaurants and games for the whole family. The event raised about \$2000.

Hamden, CT – July 30th, 2006: The 7th annual walk/bike-a-thon was organized successfully in Connecticut to help the poor children in India and the event raised \$2050 dollars. In spite of the heat and humidity, enthusiastic walkers and bikers turned up to make the event a success. There was also an exciting finale to the annual NSF charity tennis tournament in Hamden, CT.

Downer's Grove, IL – Sep 24th, 2006: Despite the gloomy, dark, drizzling morning the 13th annual Chicago Walk-

A-Thon was also a success. A "scholarship-drive-level" indicator using a ""big, red, thermometer" chart was set with the high goal of 50 scholarships. About 45 families stopped by. Some walked around the trails, while other folks just socialized and spent the time outdoors. There were fun games for children. The high honor for the largest donation of the day went to Madhu and Madhavi Kottapalli with a check for 10 full scholarships and a matching number of 10 corporate scholarships. It was followed by Prasad Yalamanchi who gave 4 full scholarships and Sreenivas Katragadda with 3 scholarships. Along with donations from all other walkers the set goal was reached. The event raised \$12,500 dollars.

Canton, MI - Sept 24, 2006: The NSF Metro Detroit chapter's 6th annual Walkathon was held at Heritage Park, Canton. The event is planned so that kids and participants learn some thing new, apart from having fun with games. There were presentations on how to prepare for Geography bee and excel at Math competitions along with an overview of the NSF regional contests and the objectives of NSF in helping the poor children in India. The event raised \$1,650 for the India scholarships.

Palo Alto, CA - Dec 11, 2005 The NSF chapter in Palo Alto conducted a unique Indian event, Mela to bring together the supporters and participants of NSF educational contests. Volunteers also organized spelling and math workshops later to prepare many children for the NSF educational contests. These events raised \$4,200 towards the scholarships to help poor children in India.

Other events

The 3rd annual tennis tournament in Connecticut was once again a big success. Games were held along with the annual walk-a-thon, which brought together old tennis pros and budding stars to raise funds for the cause of education. In East Lyme, CT, Priya Ranade, a high-schooler and past regional spelling and vocabulary champion in CT, coordinated a fundraising musical concert by maestro Dr. Stanley Scott to

Rank

benefit NSF. The concert was a great success and was able to raise \$3300. Workshops were conducted in many different centers including Massachusetts, Connecticut, California, Texas, Minnesota, Kansas, Ohio, Illinois, Louisiana, Pennsylvania and Michigan. While the main reason for conducting these workshops is to help the children prepare for the spelling bee, we were glad that these centers also raised money for India scholarships.

Rank

2006 National Bee Winners

Senior Geography

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1	Suneil Iyer,	Vivek Hansalia,		4
	Kansas City, KS	Atlanta, GA		
2	Shyam Vasudevan,	Nikhil Desai,		4
	Cambridge, MA	Palo Alto, CA		
3	Rahul Eanuga,	Narayan Gopina	than,	8
	Princeton, NJ	San Diego, CA		
4	Hema Karunakaram,	Devi Swamy,		8
	Detroit, MI	Jackson, MS		
4	Sandeep Subramanian,	Nitin Krishna,		8
7	Phoenix, AZ	Indianapolis, IN		
	SENIOR ESSAY WRI	ITING	Rank	
	Trisha Jain, Detroit, MI		1	
	Aditya Rajagopalan, Ha		2	
	Keshav Pillai, Fairfax,		3	
	BRAIN BEE		Rank	
	Sanat Sethi, Roseland, 1	NJ	1	
	Rajiv Tarigopula, Chest	terfield, MO	2	
	A peksha Dave, Clive, 1	ÍΑ	3	
	SENIOR PUBLIC SP	EAKING	Rank	
	Aparna Ramakrishnan,	Naperville, IL	1	
	Stuti Pandey, Cupertino		2	
	Chaitra Betageri, Chino		3	

2006 National Bee Winners

Rank 1	Junior Spelling Shivani Angappan,	Junior Vocabulary Tejas Rao,	Rank 1
2	Portland, OR Shravan Rama Dommaraju, St. Louis, MO	Worcester, MA Nikhil Srinivasan, Cambridge, MA	2
3	Apoorva Rangan, Palo Alto, CA	Shivani Angappan, Portland, OR	3
4	Mahati Vavilala, Cleveland, OH	Varun Palnati, Manchester, NH	4
5	Vishok Varma,	Rupayan Neogy, Cambridge, MA	5
6	Milpitas, CA Sukanya Roy,	Sanjay Elangovan, St. Louis, MO	6
7	Harrisburg, PA Iris Oliver,	Divya Goel, Detroit, MI	7
8	Cambridge, MA Nisha Devasia, Manchester, NH	Varun Prasad, Greensboro, NC	8
D 1	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Nilai Sarda, Atlanta, GA	9
Rank 1	Senior Spelling Srikrishna Raghavan, Houston, TX	Amudha Porchezhian, St. Louis, MO	9
2	Pranav Mahadevan, Atlanta, GA	Intermediate Vocabulary Aakash Patel,	Rank 1
3	Krithika Varagur, Edison, NJ	Barrington, IL Aamani Paturi,	2
4	Akshat Shekhar, Cambridge, MA	Hinsdale, IL Anirudh Dasarathy,	3
5	Kavya Shivashankar, Kansas City, KS	Cleveland OH Vijay Jayaram,	4
6	Aishwarya Pastapur, Kansas City, KS	Barrington, IL Nikhil Desai, Palo Alto, CA	5
7	Sameer Kailasa, Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Disha Bora, Detroit, MI	6
8	Smitha Gundavajhala, Milpitas, CA	Shubhangi Arora, Deroit, MI	7
9	Kunal Mehta, Dallas, TX	Sakethnath Are, Fairfax, VA	8
10	Anamika Veeramani, Cleveland, OH	Akshat Shekhar, Worcester, MA	9
		Krithika Varagur, Edison, NJ	10
	2	Giridhar Anand, Cambridge, MA	10

Rank	Senior Vocabulary	Math Level 1	Rank
1	Ankita Khandai,	Suruchi Ramanujan,	1
	Hinsdale, IL	Kansas City, KS	
2	Swapanthi Nagulpally,	Abhinand Sivaprasad,	2
	Raleigh, NC	Portland, OR	
3	Pranay Udutha,	Ravi Betzig,	3
	Atlanta, GA	Lansing, MI	
4	Sivakumar Sundaram,	Maadhav Shah,	4
	Rockford, IL	Sacramento, CA	
5	Sneha Bagavandoss,	Nikhil Pandeti,	5
	St. Louis, MO	Cambridge, MA	
6	Cyonee Mukhopadhyaya,	Dhruv Medarametla,	6
	Palo Alto, CA	Detroit, MI	
7	Pranav Mahadevan,	Anuj Kotecha, Pao Alto, CA	7
	Atlanta, GA	Abhishek Kalita,	8
8	Srikrishna Raghavan,	Princeton NJ	
	Houston, TX	Nithin Kannan,	8
9	Soham Chakraborty,	Phoenix, AZ,	
	Cleveland, OH	Utkarsh Kaniyar,	8
10	Ashley Thakur,	Dallas, TX	
10	Long Island, NY	Sourabh Chakraborty,	8
	,	Edison, NJ	
		Sathvik Byreddy,	8
Rank		Detroit, MI	Ü
1	Math Level 3	Math Level 2	Rank
1	Arjun Puranik,	Chanukya Malla,	1
2	Barrington, IL	Detroit, MI	
2	Ramya Rangan,	Tejas Sundaresan,	2
3	Palo Alto, CA	Cleveland, OH	
3	Anupa Murali,	Keval Yerigeri,	3
4	Manchester, NH	Cleveland, OH	
4	Anand Oza,	Akhil Nistala,	4
5	Rockville, MD	Detorit, MI	
3	Anand Kannan,	Mayank Patke,	5
6	Greensboro, NC	Lansing, MI	
U	Suhas Kodali,	Ajay Sohmshetty,	6
7	Madison, WI	Detorit, MI	
/	Sandya Subramanian,	Shyam Narayanan,	7
8	Lansing, MI	Kansas City, KS	
O	Nihal Satyadev,	Divya Siddarth,	8
9	Irvine, CA	Irvine, CA	
ブ	Disha Bora,	Aditya Kotecha,	9
1.0	Detroit, MI	Palo Alto, CA	
10	Aakash Bhattacharya,	Ritesh Ragavender,	10
	Stamford, CT	Princeton, NJ	-

2006 Regional Contests Highest Scorers in Math Bee Level 4 and Junior Geography Bee

Since there was no National Final this year for Math Bee Level 4 and Junior Geography, we are starting a new feature of recognizing the contestants who scored highest nationwide in these contests. Congratulations to all the contestants below.

Contestant & Contest	Grade	Rank	Regional Center
Math Bee Level 4			
Aditya Rajagopalan	9	1	Hartford, CT
Aditya Kalluri	9	2	Cleveland, OH
Arka Mallela	9	3	Cherry Hill, NJ
Mahadev Nair	9	3	Kansas City, KS
Junior Geography Bee			
Melind Davis	3	1	New Orleans, LA
Raj Borra	3	1	Palo Alto, CA
Rahul Jayraman	3	1	Palo Alto, CA

2006 Regional Contests Perfect Scorers

This year we are starting a new feature of recognizing all the contestants who got a perfect score in any of the regional contests. This is a fantastic achievement! Congratulations to all the contestants below.

Junior Spelling Bee		
Dipayan Banerjee	3	Jacksonville, FL
Sonia Gupta	3	Atlanta, GA
Venkatesh Sivaraman	2	St. Louis, MO
Sarishka Desai	2	Stamford, CT
Naman Gupta	3	Atlanta, GA
Senior Spelling Bee		
Keertana Krosuri	8	Princeton, NJ
Kavya Shivashankar	5	Kansas City, KS
Disha Bora	7	Detroit, MI
Intermediate Vocabula	ry Bee	
Aamani Paturi	6	Hinsdale, IL
Senior Vocabulary Bee		
Amar Mehta	9	Philadelphia, PA
Math Bee Level 1		
Rishi Sundaresan	2	Cleveland, OH
Suruchi Ramanujan	2	Kansas City, KS
Kirtana Sandepudi	2	Barrington, IL
Srihari Yenamandra	2	Dallas, TX

2006 Regional Contests Perfect Scorers

5	Madison, WI
5	Milwaukee, WI
5	Lansing, MI
5	Palo Alto, CA
4	Palo Alto, CA
8	Rockville, MD
6	Barrington, IL
8	St. Louis, MO
8	Detroit, MI
8	Barrington, IL
8	Minneapolis, MN
7	Detroit, MI
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Child Prodigy Excels in 2006 NSF Finals

EVANSTON, IL: Shivani Angappan, a precocious kindergartener from Beaverton, OR wowed one and all as she won the Junior National Spelling Bee and also took the 3rd rank in the Junior National Vocabulary Bee contest as part of the 14th Annual North South Foundation Championships held at Northwestern University (NWU), Evanston during August 26-27th. At her tender age, Shivani is a voracious reader, an editor of her class newspaper, plays the violin and piano and is part of a middle school orchestra. Srikrishna Raghavan from The Woodlands, TX who was the runner up last year won the Senior Spelling Bee. Tejas Rao from Maynard, MA, Akash Patel from Barrington, IL and Ankita Khandai from Aurora, IL won the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Vocabulary contests. For the Math contests, Suruchi Ramanujan from Overland Park, KS, Chanukya Malla

from Northville, MI and Arjun Puranik from Palatine, IL won the top rank in Math Bee Level 1, 2 and 3 contests respectively. Surcuhi won the North American Kumon challenge in 2005. Arjun Puranik, also a budding pianist had earlier in the year, taken 12th rank in the national Math Counts competition. For the first time, North South Foundation held a Senior Geography Bee contest which was ably led by the 2006 National Geography Bee champion, Bonny Jain from Moline, IL. Suneil Iyer from Olathe, KS, who won the Kansas State National Geography Bee in 2006 and was placed fourth in the National Geography Bee in 2006, won this inaugural event. Remarkably, Shyam Vasudevan, from Cambridge, a fourth grader who competed with contestants all the way up to Grade 8 won the second rank nationally.

The National Finals were co-sponsored by the South Asian Student Alliance (SASA) of NWU. Over 700 finalists from over sixty five North South Foundation centers throughout the US participated in the event. In addition to Spelling, Vocabulary, Math and Geography contests, the Foundation also held a Senior Essay contest, the topic for which dealt with the Iraq war and how the contestant would improve the situation if he/she were to be the next US president. The winner for the contest this year is Trisha Jain a tenthgrader from West Bloomfield, MI who plays the flute and basketball and also holds the 5th place in Michigan in the Oratory category of forensics. The Essay Contest was made possible by the kind donation of scholarship amounts and setting up of an endowment fund by Dr. Asok Ray, a leading orthopedic surgeon from Chicago under the aegis of Indima Foundation, a charity organization founded by him.

In the path of challenging children of their educational potential, North South Foundation, this year introduced yet another program, "Senior Public Speaking", for high school students. The public speaking contest encompasses skills acquired in spelling, vocabulary and essay contests and challenges the youth of today to be better communicators, a trait that is of paramount importance in an increasingly in-

terconnected flat globalized world. The subject of this year's topic was about the rising gas prices and what the US president could do about it to contain it. The topic challenged the contestants by encouraging them to take leadership, and articulate how that leadership would translate into organizational activities leading to a change for the good of humanity. Aparna Ramakrishnan a Senior at Naperville, IL, took the first place. Aparna is a Founder/President of a local Interfaith Forum, an organization that highlights themes of religious tolerance.

This is the 7th year for North South Foundation's Brain Bee, a neuroscience contest. Sanat Sethi, a ninth-grader from Marlboro, NJ won this year's Brain Bee Championship. Sanat will be invited to the 2007 International Brain Bee conducted by Prof. Norbert Myslinski of the University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD in March 2007. This year's Brain Bee contest was conducted by Bhakti Nagalla, a past North South Foundation and International Brain Bee champion and Professor Mohan Sapru, a faculty member from North Western University. Rajiv Tarigopula from St. Louis, MO and Apeksha Dave won the 2nd and 3rd places in Brain Bee. Rajiv is a past North South Foundation Spelling and Vocabulary champion and finished 4th in the Scripps National Spelling Bee.



2006 WINNER BEES 2006 Junior Spelling Bee Winners



Shivani Angappan is a kindergartener from Beaverton, OR. Shivani won the 1st rank in JSB National Finals in Chicago and the 3rd rank in JVB contest. She is the editor of her class newspaper. Shivani was a NSF Nationals Finalist in 2005 and 2006. She was also the Jack and Jill National Anatomy Spelling Bee Champion in 2006.

Shravan Rama Dommaraju is in 3rd grade from St Louis, MO. Shravan is a NSF Finalist in JSB and Math bee in 2005 and JSB, JVB and Math bee finalist in 2006. His hobbies are Chess, Baseball, and Cricket. Shravan won the 2nd rank in JSB National finals in Chicago.





Apoorva Rangan is in 3rd grade from San Jose, CA. Apoorva is a spelling bee winner and plays piano and flute. Apoorva won the 3rd rank in JSB National finals in Chicago.

2006 Senior Spelling Bee Winners

Srikrishna Raghavan is in 8th grade from The Woodlands, TX. Sri won his school and regional spelling bee championships and was placed 2nd in the Houston Chronicle spelling bee. His hobbies are soccer and chess. Sri won the 1st rank in SSB National finals in Chicago.





Pranav Mahadevan is in 8th grade from Atlanta, GA. Pranav won the Chess championship in GA. His hobbies are Guitar and Basketball. Pranav won the 2nd rank in SSB National finals in Chicago.

Krithika Varagur is in 7th grade from Edison, NJ. Krithika won 2nd place in JVB in 2004 Nationals; won 1st place in regional JVB and JSB in 2002 and 2003; won 1st place in JVB in Nationals 2005. Her hobbies are Reading, Music and Piano. Krithika won the 3rd rank in SSB National finals in Chicago.



2006 Junior Vocabulary Bee Winner



Tejas Rao is in 2nd grade from Maynard, MA. His hobbies are playing Piano, Swimming, and Tennis. Tejas won the 1st rank in JVB National finals in Chicago.

Nikhil Srinivasan is in 2nd grade from Chelmsford, MA. His hobbies are Reading, playing Violin, Carnatic Vocal, and Taekwon Do. Nikhil won the 2nd rank in JVB National finals in Chicago.



Shivani Angappan is in 1st grade from Beaverton, Shivani won the 3rd rank in JVB National finals in Chicago.

2006 Intermediate Vocabulary Bee Winners

Aakash Patel is in 6th grade from Barrington, IL. He is a brown belt in Shotokan Karate and is a 3-time USA-NKF National Kata champion. He plays piano and also plays saxophone in the school band as well as jazz band. Aakash won 1st rank in IVB at the National finals in Chicago.





Aamani Paturi is in 6th grade from Barrington, IL. Aamani won 5th rank in 2005 JVB, SSB Champion in 2004; and won 8th rank in 2002 JSB. Her hobbies are chess, art and reading. Aamani won the 2nd rank in IVB National finals in Chicago.

Anirudh Dasarathy is in 6th grade from Broadview Heights, OH. Anirudh won black belt in Taikwondo and plays carnatic music on violin. His hobbies are Chess and Swimming. Anirudh won the 3rd rank in IVB National finals in Chicago.



2006 Senior Vocabulary Bee Winners



Ankita Khandai is in 8th grade from Aurora, IL. Ankita won the 1st rank in SVB at the National finals in Chicago.

Swapanthi Nagulpally is in 11th grade from Raleigh, NC. Swapanthi won the 2nd rank in SVB National finals in Chicago.

Pranay Udutha is in 8th grade from Acworth, GA. Pranay won Presidential Award for Academic Excellence in 8th Grade; NASA Fellows Science and Math Bowl; National Geographic GA State Bee participant in 2005-2006; 3rd Place winner in "Brain Bee" at 2005 NSF National Championships; and 2002-2003 Pranay's hobbies are Karate, Drawing, playing Violin, Tennis, and Basketball. Pranay won the 3rd rank in SVB National finals in Chicago.



2006 Senior Public Speaking Bee Winners



Aparna Ramakrishnan is in 11th grade from Naperville, IL. Aparna's hobbies are Carnatic vocal music, reading, badminton, and jewellery making. Aparna won the 1st rank in SPS at the National finals in Chicago.

Stuti Pandey is in 11th grade from Cupertino, CA. Stuti won the 2nd rank in SPS National finals in Chicago.





Chaitra Betageri is in 9th grade from Chinohills, CA and is 1st place speaker in regional debate tournament; 1st place debater in Middle School National Debate tournament and 2nd place speaker in Nationals for debate. Chaitra's hobbies are Piano, Speech and Debate. Chaitra won 3rd rank in SPS National finals in Chicago.

2006 Math Bee Level 1 Winners

Suruchi Ramanujan is in 2nd grade at from Overland-Park, KS. Last year, she won the Kumon Math Challenge, participated in finals of spelling and math bee at NSF and got the "Best Young Contenstant" Award. Her hobbies are member of the KC Blazers Swim Team, Tennis, Piano, Carnatic Vocal and BharathaNatyam. Suruchi won the 1st rank in MB1 National finals in Chicago.



Abhinand Sivaprasad is in 2nd grade from Redmond, WA. Abhinand won Karate Awards, Chess Awards, and 2nd place in a National Math Competition. His hobbies are Hiking, Water Skiing, Basket Ball, Reading, Math, and Chess. Abhinand won the 2nd rank in MB1 National finals in Chicago



Ravi Betzig is in 2nd grade from Okemos, MI and a winner of the 2005 Regional Level 1 Math Bee. His hobbies are computers and sports. Ravi won the 3rd rank in MB1 National finals in Chicago.

2006 Math Bee Level 2 Winners

Chanukya Malla is in 5th grade from Northville, MI. He won 3rd place in 2005 NSF MathBee Nationals. Chanukya won the 1st rank in MB2 National finals in Chicago.





Tejas Sundaresan is in 5th grade from Strongsville, OH. Tejas has an ardent interest in mathematics and has won several awards both at school and outside events and his hobbies are Chess, Soccer, Basketball, Football, Piano and Mridangam. Tejas won the 2nd rank in MB2 National finals in Chicago.

Keval Yerigeri is in 4th grade from Copley, OH. Keval has been participating in NSF since the last 2 years. Last year (3rd Grade) he won the 1st place in Spelling and Geography bees at the regional level and secured 8th in spelling at the National Level and his hobbies are playing Cricket, Tennis and Basketball. He also enjoys music and plays Tabla and the keyboard. Keval won the 3rd rank in MB2 National finals in Chicago.



2006 Math Bee Level 3 Winners



Arjun Puranik is in 8th grade from Palatine, IL. Arjun won 2nd rank in the NSF Nationals (Math); National mathcoutns finalist in 2005 (Illnois state topper at Nationals); Illinois Math League first place for 3 years. His hobbies are Tennis, Indian music, Piano, Math contests, and Sports. Arjun won the 1st rank in MB3 National finals in Chicago.

Ramya Rangan is in 6th grade from San Jose, CA. She is a Math contest winner and her hobbies are playing piano and violin. Ramya won the 2nd rank in MB3 National finals in Chicago.





Anupa Murali is in 7th grade from Concord, NH. Anupa won the 3rd rank in MB3 National finals in Chicago.

2006 Brain Bee Winners

Sanat Sethi is in 9th grade from Roseland, NJ. Sanat won 2nd place in 2006 Essay Writing Contest at YWCA, New York; scored 1170 in SAT in grade 8; won 3rd place State Spelling Bee in 2005; NSF National Finalist in vocabulary bee (2005 and 2004) and his hobbies are reading and basketball. Sanat won the 1st rank in BB at the National finals in Chicago.



Rajiv Tarigopula is in 9th grade from Chesterfield, MO a 4-time participant in the Scripps National Spelling Bee, placed 4th twice in 2005 and 2006. Received the Presidential Award for Academic Excellence. Previous North South Foundation Junior Vocabulary Bee Champion and two-time runner-up in Senior Spelling Bee. Received the India Abroad Publisher's Award for his performance in the National Spelling Bee in 2005. and his hobbies are tennis, soccer, basketball, table tennis, chess, and video games. Rajiv won the 2nd rank in BB at the National finals in Chicago.





Apeksha Dave is in 9th grade from Clive, IA. She is a top, straight "A" student and has been involved in Student Counsel, Debate, Future Business Leaders of America, and Science Olympiad at her school. In her free time, she likes to swim and play tennis with her family and has earned a black belt in tae-kwon-do. Her dream is to become a neurosurgeon and this goal has sparked her interest in the Brain Bee. Apeksha won the 3rd rank in

2006 Senior Essay Writing Bee Winners

Trisha Jain is in 9th grade from West Bloomfield, MI. Trisha received honorable mentions for her writing in the past, though, both for essays and poetry; currently she holds 5th place in Michigan in the Oratory category of forensics. Her hobbies are playing the flute, reading anything and everything, writing and public speaking. Trisha won the 1st rank in SEW at the National finals in Chicago.





Aditya Rajagopalan is in 9th grade from Glastonbury, CT. Aditya Won the NSF Math Bee level 3 (National) in 2004 (while in 7th grade); obtained near perfect score (24/25) this year in AMC10; Two time Math Olympiad winner (perfect score in 2003) and his hobbies are playing Piano and Violin, Basketball, Tennis, Football and Public Debate. Aditya won the 2nd rank in SEW at the National finals in Chicago.

Keshav Pillai is in 10th grade from Herndon, VA. He won the 1st place at the National Senior Vocabulary contest in 2004. He competed in the National Scripps Howard Spelling Bee for 2004 and was placed 8th; was a finalist at the 2004 State Geography Bee held in Mansfield, Ohio. Keshav won the 3rd rank in SEW at the National finals in Chicago.



2006 Senior Geography Bee Winners



Suneil Iyer is in 6th grade from Olathe, KS. Suneil won the Kansas State National Geography Bee in 2006 and was placed 4th in the National Geography Bee in 2006. Placed second in the Kansas NSF Regional junior spelling bee (2004); placed second in the Kansas NSF regional geography bee in 2005. Suneil won the 1st rank in SGB at the National finals in Chicago

Shyam Vasudevan is in 4th grade from Nashua, NH. Shyam won 2nd place in Junior Spelling Bee (NH) in 2004; First place in Junior Geograpy bee in 2005 (MA); First place in Senior Geography bee in 2006 (MA); Holds a second degree brown belt in Kempo Karate. Shyam won 2nd rank in SGB at the National finals in Chicago.





Rahul Eanuga is in 7th grade from Budd Lake, NJ. Rahul's hobbies are composing new tunes and scores on Piano and Violin; loves to play Basketball and Soccer. Rahul won 3rd the rank in SGB at the National finals in Chicago.



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