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DCDS 8th Grader Wins Oakland Press Regional Spelling Bee, Earns Spot at Nationals


Cheryl Duggan, the spelling bee coordinator at Country Day, and husband Chuck Duggan, Nithya’s English teacher, were there to support her.

"You really have to be very dedicated, just like you have to be dedicated to a sport to go this far,” Duggan said.

More than 32,000 Oakland County students competed at their schools to send 113 winners to the Oakland Press Regional Spelling Bee.

Detroit Country Day is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory school offering a liberal arts pre-kindergarten through 12th grade education. The school was founded in 1914, and provides a foundation for lifelong learning within an environment of educational excellence and cultural diversity.

Detroit Country Day serves more than 1,536 students on its four Birmingham/Beverly Hills area campuses. It has earned a total of 83 state championships in various sports over the years and 100 percent of its graduating seniors are accepted to universities each year.

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