



BELL Academy

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Dear BELL Families,

A big Thank You to all BELL families, students, and staff for making the new arrival and dismissal procedures safe and smooth!

As you know, we will be administering the New York State ELA Exam on Tuesday, March 29th and Wednesday, March 30th.

The structure of the exam will be as follows:

Day 1 (March 29): 5 Passages with 35 Multiple Choice Questions.

Day 2 (March 30): 3 Passages, 6 Short-Response Questions and 1 Extended-Response Question. 7th and 8th grade will have 7 Short-Responses (one additional) and 1 Extended-Response.

A few tips for the day:

- Please make sure that your child arrives to school on time. If your child arrives late, they may not be able to take the test on the same day as the rest of the students.
- Your child should get a good night's sleep.
- Students may bring a water bottle.
- Apple watches and other Smartwatches are NOT permitted.
- Cell phones and other electronic devices must be OFF upon entering the building.
- Your child may bring a book, so that they can read silently if they finish early.
- Remind your child to RELAX. These tests are designed to help inform educators how to best support them. Please relay this message to your children: Give your best, and know we are here to support you! You are BELLStrong! We BELL-ieve in you!

Reminder: State Math Exam for grades 6 and 7 will take place on April 26th and April 27th. As always, please call the school with any questions.

Thank you,

David Abbott
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