

Dear Families,

As you know, your child has been preparing for the New York State Exams. A PowerPoint with a breakdown of the ELA exam has been posted on our school website. You can also access additional information at <https://www.engageny.org/ccss-library> and <https://www.engageny.org/parent-family-library>.

**Below are the dates for the exams:**

**Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> ELA**  
**Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> Math**

Here are some Test Taking Tips for the NYS ELA exam:

### **Multiple Choice Questions**

Cover the Choices

Read the Question- what is it asking?

Revisit the passage for the possible answer

Read through the answers- give each one a chance

Narrow it down to 2

Choose the BEST

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### **Short Response Questions**

Ask.. What is the question asking me to do?

What do I think the answer is?

Find **2** details from the text to support your answer

**ADD= Answer, Detail, Detail**

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### **Extended Response/Essay**

Read the prompt carefully:

How many questions are there?

Plan what will be in each part

Answer the first part with text details

Answer the next part with details

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As always, make sure your child gets a good night sleep and has a healthy breakfast so that they are well rested and focused.

Thank you for your continued support.