

PLAINVIEW-OLD BETHPAGE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
106 Washington Avenue, Plainview, New York 11803 516-434-3010



For parents refusing the New York State ELA or Math Exam:

1. A letter must be written to the building principal stating which exam(s) your child will be refusing.
2. Included within the letter, must be a hand-signed signature.
3. Your letter should be sent your child's school to the attention of the principal.
4. We would appreciate receiving the information, no later than **Tuesday, March 21st** for the ELA exam and **Tuesday, April 25th** for the Math exam, so that the building principal can plan accordingly.

Students refusing the exam will be supervised in a separate location. Students refusing the exam will be instructed to bring multiple independent reading books (no word puzzles or games) and a snack. Keep in mind, no formal instruction will take place during the testing periods which could last approximately 90 minutes or so. Be reminded, New York State exams for the 2016-2017 school year are outlined; therefore, instruction cannot begin until all students have completed testing.

The district does not encourage the refusal of the exams, especially in light of the changes in the past two years. For parents refusing the exams on behalf of their child, please see the attached link for process and procedures that must be followed:

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Lorna R. Lewis
Dr. Lorna R. Lewis
Superintendent of Schools

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Deputy Superintendent