

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



March 2016

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-written signature.
3. Your letter must be sent to your child's school to the attention of the principal.
4. We would appreciate receiving the information no later than Thursday, March 31st, for the ELA and Thursday, April 7th, for Math so that the building principal can plan accordingly and adjust schedules where applicable.

Students refusing the exam will be supervised in a separate location than our test takers. 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 60-90 minutes.* Be reminded, New York State exams for the 2015-2016 school year are untimed; therefore instruction cannot begin until all students have completed testing.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Lorna R. Lewis

Dr. Lorna R. Lewis

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Deputy Superintendent