



# CHEEKTOWAGA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Mr. Patrick Cullinan  
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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Throughout the school year, all of our students have been working very hard to improve their skills in Reading and Math. According to our midyear data, approximately 36% of our 5-8 students are performing at or above benchmark in Reading and Math. This is an improvement from the beginning of the school year.

With this growth, we are looking forward to the opportunity for our students to showcase their skills on this year's NYS ELA & Math Assessments. **Our students will be taking the ELA Assessment on Tuesday, March 29th and Wednesday, March 30th.** This assessment will assess Reading, Writing, and Language Standards using multiple choice, short-response and extended-response questions. **Our students will be taking the Math Assessment on Tuesday, April 26th and Wednesday, April 27th.** This assessment will assess Mathematics Standards using various formats as well. Students will have unlimited time to complete both assessments.

	Grade 5 - 8 ELA	Grade 5 - 8 Math
Session 1	5 reading passages 35 multiple choice questions	30 multiple choice questions (gr. 5) 31 multiple choice questions (gr. 6) 33 multiple choice questions (grs. 7&8)
Session 2	3 reading passages 6 short-response questions (grs. 5&6) 7 short-response questions (grs. 7&8) 1 extended-response question  *reading passages are a mix of literary (fiction) and informational (nonfiction) passages	8 multiple choice questions (gr. 5) 7 multiple choice questions (grs. 6 - 8)  6 short-response questions (gr. 5) 7 short-response questions (grs. 6 - 8) 1 extended-response question (grs. 5 -8)

As this year's assessment dates approach, please keep in mind that no single test provides a complete picture of your child's abilities. The NYS ELA & Math Assessments provide valuable information to the standing of our students in relation to the state standards and other schools. In addition, assessments provide an important layer of data as we make program decisions, evaluate our running data, and set building goals.

Please avoid scheduling any appointments on the testing days. We are looking forward to the opportunity for our students to apply all of their learning over the past year! Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns at (716) 686-3660 or by email at [pcullinan@ccsd-k12.net](mailto:pcullinan@ccsd-k12.net).

Sincerely,

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