

The New York City Department of Education Francis Lewis High School

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Dear Parents,

Each year your child is given a language proficiency assessment, the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT). The NYSESLAT is given to all students who are identified as ELL/MLL by the New York State Identification Test for English Language Learners (NYSITELL). The purpose of the NYSESLAT is to annually assess the English language proficiency level of ELLs/MLLs enrolled in Grades K–12 in New York State schools. The test gives the state, schools, parents, and teachers important information about the English language development of ELLs/MLLs.

This year, the test is scheduled for the following dates:

Speaking – May 1st to May 10th **Listening/Reading/Writing for ELLs with testing accommodations** – May 16th and May 17th **Listening/Reading/Writing for all other ELLs** – May 13th to May 15th

Your child will receive an individual schedule with the specific test dates.

The NYSESLAT includes multiple choice, short written response questions, long written response questions, and oral response questions in listening, speaking, reading, and writing in English. Your child <u>must take all</u> <u>parts of the test to receive a valid score</u>.

If you would like to learn more about the test, a Parent Guide to the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) and a Parent Guide to Understanding the NYSESLAT Score Report translated into multiple languages, along with other helpful resources, can be found on the following website: <u>http://www.nysed.gov/bilingual-ed/nysitell-and-nyseslat-parent-guides</u>

Please do not hesitate to email me if you have any questions or concerns at rkhan15@schools.nyc.gov or you can call me at (718) 281-3707.

Sincerely,

Rezaul Khan ENL Coordinator Francis Lewis High School

