



COOPERSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL

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March 14, 2022

Dear Cooperstown CSD Families:

The New York State grades 3-8 exams will be administered in the upcoming weeks:

- English Language Arts will be administered on March 29 and March 30.
- Math exam will be administered on April 26 and April 27.
- Science exams for grades 4 and 8 will be administered on May 24 (performance) and June 6 (written).

The exams are valuable for our students, families, and schools to identify areas to focus on for educational growth. The New York State exams are not tied to teacher evaluations and do not impact a student's academic standing. The exams are one of the many measures for students (in addition to our STAR assessment) and provide good practice with exam completion. The testing will take about an hour and a half and will encompass multiple choice, short and extended responses in reading and math. Should any student need additional time, a quiet place will be provided to continue taking the exam. Cooperstown Central School District strongly encourages your child to participate in this experience to provide pinpoint areas for improvement, help us evaluate progress, and to promote test-taking confidence. Should you decide for your student not to be administered any such exam, please follow the necessary steps for the school to provide the necessary provisions:

- 1) Submit a letter to the school principal stating:
 - a. Student name
 - b. School
 - c. Grade
 - d. Name of the exam
 - e. Date of the letter

- 2) The letter should be submitted one week in advance of each exam date.

If you have any questions in advance, please contact your student's principal.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tracy Durkee".

Tracy Durkee
Elementary School Principal

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karl O'Leary".

Karl O'Leary, Ed. D.
Junior-Senior High School Principal