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Dear Parents/Guardians,

In accordance with New York State Education Department mandates, all English Language Learners (ELLs) K-12 are required to take the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT). This test measures English language proficiency in four areas of language acquisition: listening, speaking, reading and writing. The NYSESLAT is used to measure student growth and is the exiting criteria for Bilingual Education, and English as a New Language. It is critical that your child participate in this year's exam in order to provide the appropriate supports and services for them to be academically successful.

The Speaking exam will take place from April 19-23. You should have received a letter stating the date and time of your child's exam, if not the schedule is posted on the Riverside High School website on the right-hand side menu under the title of NYSESLAT Speaking Exam Schedule. Your child must complete Part 1 (Speaking) in order to take Part 2 (Listening, Reading, Writing) tests. If they do not take the entire test they will receive the same services again next year. Please make sure that your child comes to Riverside High School to take this exam on the dates and times listed below. If you have any questions please call me at 914-376-8425.

Sincerely,

Pablo Sanz

