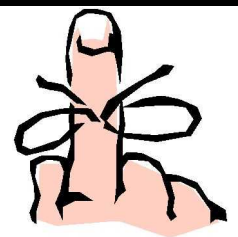




## Test Taking Tips for Parents

- Try not to put too much pressure on the child. Reinforce that as long as they work hard in preparation and did their absolute best you will be proud of them.
- Have the child visualize success. Encourage them to rehearse what it will feel like to get a good score on the test.
- Encourage your child to review the night before the test, but avoid cramming.
- Try to use positive language when talking about expectations of the test. Also try to avoid negative wording (e.g. replace **"you are going to fail this test if you don't study"** with **"if you don't study you are not going to perform your best."**)
- Keep a positive attitude about testing in general around your child and emphasize their ability to demonstrate what they have learned rather than the consequences of not passing.

# Reminders



- NYC Schools are closed on Monday, January 19, 2015
- *College and Career Readiness Academy begins Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>*
- Winter Break-NYC Schools are closed February 16<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>
- ELA Test is April 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>
- Math Test April 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>
- Make sure your child is reading daily. It is not only about reading, it is also about asking questions about the text. Does your child understand what he/she is reading?
- "Parent Engagement Tuesdays" is designed to strengthen the teacher-school connection Please reserve 3:20-4:10 for school workshops and meetings.