



# Office of Teaching and Learning

*Dear God, If I can not be brilliant, let me be kind. If I can not change the world, let me inspire just one other to do so. If I can not give away riches, let me be loving. Let me be known for kindness, for it is the greatest glory. Amen*



## Strong Curricular Materials

- Want to be able to explain directions for a lesson or small group activity to a talkative classroom, try 5-seconds to a quiet classroom. Check out the video [here](#).
- There also have been many questions about resources for teaching growth mindset. In this [link](#) from edutopia, there are many articles and resources on understanding growth mindset, strategies for addressing growth mindset, growth mindset within math, and giving better student feedback.

## Integration of Technology

- There are so many digital resources available online, but how do you choose the best resource for your instructional need?
  - Try the [QUICK Assessment for Digital Resources](#) rubric (California Council on Science and Technology, 2014).
  - [Common Sense Education](#) has a huge database of reviewed and ranked EdTech resources.

## Data Driven Instruction

### NYS Exams

- We will be testing 5th Grade ELA using CBT!!
  - Make sure your 5th Graders are practicing typing on a computer/device in the classroom as often as possible!
  - Have students practice computerized testing skills for the NYS Exams using the [Question Sampler](#) and typing using the [ELA Response Box Sampler](#).
  - The deadline to order Paper Based tests/reorder for CBT NYS Exams for this Spring is **December 14th 2018!**

### NWEA MAP

Welcome to Anthony Zarate, our new Curriculum Associate! For any and all NWEA MAP & MAP Skills questions, contact Anthony at [anthony.zarate@archny.org](mailto:anthony.zarate@archny.org)

- **Save the dates:** Winter MAP Testing window will be January 7th to January 25th.
- Here is a **new resources page** that will help prepare students for growth MAP testing: <https://studentresources.nwea.org/>
  - It has resources for K-2 and 2+ and discusses what the test is about, the different map tools, and even a practice test!
- Here is a flyer/poster for students: [MAP Growth Tips for Students](#) (*Note: log into your MAP account in order to see this resource*)

## Ongoing Professional Development

- New York Historical Society presents Pizza & PD Immigrant City, Tuesday, December 11, 4:30-6:30 pm. Pizza will be served. Participants will receive 2 CTLE hours. *\$15 per person (\$10 for members)* [Register Here](#)



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- The Long Island Math Conference will be held on Friday, March 15, 2019, at SUNY Old Westbury. This year's theme is "Where does math live? Show me!" 50 workshops for Primary through College level math educators and preservice teachers. Attached please find the LIMACON program and registration information or you can follow this link for further information.  
<http://www.limathconference.org>