



P.S. 135Q: The Bellaire Magnet School of Exploration through the Arts

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SLT

December 9, 2025

Attendance: D. Graf (principal), M. Ramlogan (assistant principal), D. Paternostro (teacher), L. Tarello (teacher), S. Bonetti (teacher), S. Jones (UFT Rep), S. Persaud (parent), R. Parvin (parent), A. Singh (parent), L. Ferenandez (parent)

SLT Open Seat:

- As of January 2026 there will be an open seat for a teacher, as one member has resigned. If there is more than one person that shows interest a vote will take place.

Magnet Monday:

- Starting January 12th the school will begin "Magnet Monday" for 4th grade. Clusters and administrators will run the groups.
- Next year this program will be available for other grades.

CEP Feedback:

- The group members discussed Priority #1:
 - ELA goal is on track to meet as per iready.
 - Strategic Grouping have been built into the daily schedule for grades 3 and 4. Children will move to the appropriate groups: SPIRE 1, SPIRE 2, Sound Sensible and book clubs for higher students.

School Menu:

- Some parents expressed that the school cafeteria should offer a halal menu. To gather input, a survey was sent to parents for their opinions. The



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overall consensus was to keep the regular menu. However, some parents were still concerned due to their children's dietary/religious restrictions. As a result, the school sent a letter to parents of K-2, asking them whether their child had any food restrictions. These forms were then given to the school aides to make them aware so they can monitor accordingly.

Safety:

- Gym renovation plans are moving along and finalizing.
- Cameras should be installed by May.
- Re-doing audio in the auditorium, but it has not started as of yet.
- We have requested new technology as most are outdated. Laptops are being brought down to 2nd grade.
- Level 3 occurrences have been brought down from 97 to 87. Most occurrences are happening around 11:00 am which is the 4th grade and kindergarten lunch period. Ms. Arudini is doing Restorative Practices to help assist with these issues.
- We have finished with our fire drill and lock down drills. We will start again in March, we still have 2 fire drills and 2 lockdown drills.

Next Meeting: January 13, 2026 @ 2:30 pm in person

Vision

At P.S. 135, we nurture lifelong learners in a safe, supportive space, fostering independent problem solvers and a community where every student is valued and ready to thrive.

Mission

Our mission at P.S. 135, The Bellaire School, is to foster a safe and nurturing environment where every student feels empowered to take academic risks and explore their creativity through the arts.