



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

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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)

Smaller Class Sizes:

- As of 10/6/25 we are at 93.8% for smaller class sizes. When the school wrote the proposal, it was promised that it would be at 100% that is how we got the 7 new teachers. Unfortunately, we aren't due 2 classes in 3rd grade being at 22 students and 21 students.
- The proposal for next year is to get to 100%. The school did not have to write a whole new proposal. A survey needed to be completed. The school is aiming to have the same amount of teachers and to reach 100% smaller class sizes for the 2025-2026 school year.
- The school is asking for an extra supervisor due one of the assistant principals retiring.

Magnet Funding:

- The school is not receiving magnet funds from the Federal Government. The school is looking at applying for more grants to bring in some of the programs it had in previous years under magnet.
- The school has already received grant money to provide afterschool and Saturday school programs.
 - The school got a 25, 000 grant for the dance room. This money is to fix the floors, put up mirrors and bars. There was a 1,000 of



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that grant money left so the school was able to use it for SWD STEAM Program.

- Other grants were written and were able to fund:
 - a cartoonist for 4th grade to assist with their PBL Mystery Writing.
 - a Soccer and Basketball Afterschool and Saturday Program, Canva Afterschool, Lego Afterschool, ENL Saturday Program and Math/ELA Saturday Academy.
 - Bellaire Buzz and Student Government are also continuing in our school, but teachers of the programs are using their own time during the school day.
 - The school is also looking to create a “Magnet Monday” where clubs can be run during the school day.

Safety:

- There have been 66 incidents so far this year. This number has decreased from previous years. Some new procedures during lunch have been implemented which may have contributed to this decrease. Aides are now assigned to specific classes.

CEP Goals:

- We ran over time so the SLT committee has agreed to have the CEP goal 1 discussed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting Date: December 9, 2025 at 2:30 in person.



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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.