



**Orange Township  
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## **BULLETIN #23**

### **ELA Benchmark Dates**

For All Grade Levels

<b><u>Benchmark #</u></b>	<b><u>Benchmark Window</u></b>
ELA Benchmark 1	October 21- October 25
ELA Benchmark 2	January 21- January 24
ELA Benchmark 3	March 30 – April 3
ELA Benchmark 4	June 8 - June 12

- The ELA benchmark assessments are to be entered into the gradebook as a test for each marking cycle.
- Each benchmark is to be administered in **one instructional block**. Most students will not need the entire block to test. Teachers are to insure that instruction is delivered for the remaining period.
- Students must be actively monitored during the assessment to ensure it is being taken with fidelity.
- All benchmarks are to be scored and closed by the classroom teacher within **72 hours** of completion.
- Comments must be provided for each student on the PCR item. {These comments are to be meaningful and allow students to make improvements in their writing.}
- All students take the benchmark assessments. (If a student is absent, the teacher will need to make sure the absent student has taken the assessment at some point during the window.
- All teachers (grades 3-12) are to check the scoring for items that require multiple responses or are technology enhanced items (drag/drop, classification, matching, and sequencing). If any of these items need to be scored again, the correct scoring must be placed in the system by the teacher.