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Bellaire successfully educates and engages us as students in many ways. They have hands on activities, help us become better readers, and make all lessons fun.

First of all, they have hands on activities. For example, we had an assembly where we did S.T.E.A.M. That stands for science, technology, engineering, art, and math. In that assembly, we did everything from cool games to making a doorway out of big blocks. I learned that to keep the doorway up, you have to be calm and careful. If you slam the blocks down, the doorway will fall. So you have to place them down gently if you want it to work. Then, for science class, as an experiment, we made lava lamps out of water, canola oil, and food coloring. In this experiment, we learned that canola oil is lighter than water. And since it was a suspension, it wouldn't separate. Also in art class we drew some of our favorite things to do. In this lesson, I learned that it is better to use oil pastels with water. These activities actually made learning fun.

Bellaire also successfully educates and engages us, because they help us become better readers. An assistant teacher in my class has us read a passage to her two times. The first time we read it, she tells us what we did wrong and how to fix it. Then the second time we read it, our goal is to fix the mistakes and try to get further in our passage. On other days, we go to i-time. A 5th grade teacher helps us learn how to read bigger words. This is educating, because she teaches how to break up big words. Bellaire also helps us become better readers because when we go to be assessed on reading, they make sure we are on the right level. Or, they see if you need more help with reading.

Lastly, they educate and engage us because the lessons are always fun. One 5th grade teacher is like a kid in an adult's body but is serious when it comes

to work. This educates and engages us because it makes us want to use our brains and really want to learn more. Another 5th grade teacher puts cool cartoons into the slide shows for social studies. When that happens, it makes me want to learn about other states and there weird laws. Finally, because our ukulele teacher plays fun songs that we all love hearing.

That is how Bellaire Elementary School successfully educates and engages us as students. By having hands on activities, helping us become better readers, and making all lessons fun they make us want to learn more.