Grade 8 Secondary ELA CRT Blueprint

Important Information:

- The purpose of test blueprints is to make sure that the intended breadth and depth of the curriculum is represented on the CRTs.
- The item counts provided in the blueprint (below) are the number of items which contribute to a student's CRT score (operational items).
- Blueprints have been reduced to allow piloting of new passages and items without increasing the total time needed for testing.
- In order to maintain continuity from previous years, the percentage of items for each standard and objective has not been changed significantly.
- The Grade 7 ELA CRT has a total of 64 (operational plus pilot) questions due to pilot items scattered throughout the test.
- The Grade 7 ELA CRT should be administered in 3 separate testing sessions.

Standard	Objective	Number of Items
Standard 1: Students will use vocabulary development and an understanding of text elements and structures to comprehend literary and informational grade level text.	Objective 1: Determine word meaning through word parts, definitions, and context clues.	**5**
	Objective 2: Comprehend and evaluate informational text (i.e., textbooks, autobiographies/biographies, persuasive essays, letters, graphs, charts).	**10**
	Objective 3: Comprehend literature by differentiating the uses of literary elements in narrative texts.	**12**
Total Standard 1		**27**
Standard 2: Students will write informational and literary text to reflect on and recreate experiences, report observations, and persuade others.	Objective 3: Revise and edit to strengthen ideas, organization, voice, word choice, sentence fluency and conventions.	**14**
Total Standard 2		**14**
Standard 3: Students will understand the process of seeking and giving information in conversations, group discussions, written reports, and oral presentations.	Objective 1: Use the process of inquiry to focus thinking toward understanding an idea or concept.	**7**
Total Standard 3		**7**
Total Test		**48**