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## **Pre-Assessment Information for ELA and Math grades 3-8 September & October 2017**

**Window for pre-assessments: September 6 – October 5, 2017**

### **Who takes the pre-assessments?**

All students in grades 3 through 8 who would normally sit for the NYS Math and ELA assessments should take the pre-assessment. Please note these specific circumstances:

- ELL students will be administered the pre-assessments.
- 8th grade students enrolled in Algebra IR and projected to take the Algebra I Regents exam in June 2016, are not required to sit for the Math 8 pre-assessment.
- NYSAA students do not take these pre-assessments.

### **How is the pre-assessment data used?**

The results of pre-assessments are intended to be used for advisory purposes for teachers when engaging in the target-setting process. Examination of the resulting item-analyses can be used to plan and inform instructional decisions at the classroom, grade, and building levels.

### **How long are the pre-assessments?**

As long as students are productively working, they should be allowed as much time as they need to complete their pre-assessment. Please refer to the chart below for approximate testing times to be used for planning purposes. For detailed test specifications that include the standards being assessed, please refer to the blueprints posted on [SharePoint](#).

### **What about test accommodations?**

Students should receive test accommodations as identified on their IEP.

Details regarding administration of each Pre-Assessment can be found on the next page.

### **Questions?**

May be directed to Margaret Crowley at [margaret.crowley@rcsdk12.org](mailto:margaret.crowley@rcsdk12.org) or 262-8648.

## Administration Details for Pre-Assessments

	ELA	Math
<b>Grade 3</b>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 multiple choice questions</li> <li>• 3 two-point open ended questions (text analysis)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 Multiple Choice Questions</li> <li>• 2 two-point open ended questions</li> <li>• 2 three-point open ended questions</li> </ul> <p><b>Math Tools Needed:</b> ruler</p>
<b>Grade 4</b>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 multiple choice questions</li> <li>• 3 two-point open ended questions (text analysis)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 Multiple Choice Questions</li> <li>• 2 two-point open ended questions</li> <li>• 2 three-point open ended questions</li> </ul> <p><b>Math Tools Needed:</b> ruler and protractor</p>
<b>Grade 5</b>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 multiple choice questions</li> <li>• 3 two-point open ended questions (text analysis)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 Multiple Choice Questions</li> <li>• 2 two-point open ended questions</li> <li>• 2 three-point open ended questions</li> </ul> <p><b>Math Tools Needed:</b> ruler and protractor</p>
<b>Grade 6</b>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 multiple choice questions</li> <li>• 3 two-point open ended questions (text analysis)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 Multiple Choice Questions</li> <li>• 2 two-point open ended questions</li> <li>• 2 three-point open ended questions</li> </ul> <p><b>Math Tools Needed:</b> ruler, protractor and four-function or scientific calculator</p>
<b>Grade 7</b>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 multiple choice questions</li> <li>• 3 two-point open ended questions (text analysis)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 2 class periods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 Multiple Choice Questions</li> <li>• 2 two-point open ended questions</li> <li>• 2 three-point open ended questions</li> </ul> <p><b>Math Tools Needed:</b> ruler, protractor and scientific calculator</p>
<b>Grade 8</b>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 60 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 multiple choice questions</li> <li>• 3 two-point open ended questions (text analysis)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Approximate administration time:</b> 2 class periods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 Multiple Choice Questions</li> <li>• 2 two-point open ended questions</li> <li>• 2 three-point open ended questions</li> </ul> <p><b>Math Tools Needed:</b> ruler, protractor and scientific calculator</p>