

Oregon Statewide Assessment System 2020 – 2021 ELA Summary Update: Removal of Performance Task to Enhanced Computer Adaptive Test (CAT)

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is implementing the following ELA test blueprint changes at grades 3-8 and high school for the 2020 – 21 instructional year. The purpose of these changes within the ELA test blueprint is to account for the unique situation which has impacted Oregon educators, students, and families during the Covid-19 pandemic. These changes will further support maximizing instructional time for students and educators and will greatly impact overall and content specific testing time. While there will be a reduction of testing time, ODE will be able to retain comparable validity and reliability of the full test.

Testing times are projected to have an **overall** reduction of 3 hours and 30 minutes. In isolation, ELA will account for 2 hours and 30 minutes of the overall reduced testing time and mathematics will account for 1 hour of the overall reduced testing time. This testing time is approximated across all assessed grade.

Comparison between 2019-20 OSAS ELA Full Test Blueprint (CAT + PT) and 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint

- **Test Blueprints in ELA (*Grades 3–5*)**

Claim	Content Category/Target	2019-20 OSAS ELA		2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT
		CAT	PT	CAT
	Total test items	36-39	2	40-43
1	Reading	14–16		14-16
2	Writing	6	1*	9
3	Listening	8–9		8–9
4	Research	8	1	9

Summary of changes:

- A. 2019-20 OSAS ELA PT removed from ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint
 - a. *Claim 2 Writing: 1 ELA PT (full write item) removed from 2019-20 OSAS ELA Blueprint and **replaced with 3 (machine scored items)** in 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint.*
 - b. *Claim 4 Research: 1 ELA PT (machine scored or brief write item) removed from 2019-20 OSAS ELA Blueprint and **replaced with 1 (machine scored item)** in 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint.*

* 2019-20 ELA PT accounted for 3 items (Organization/Purpose, Evidence/Elaboration, and Conventions)

- **Test Blueprints in ELA (*Grades 6–8*)**

Claim	Content Category/Target	2019-20 OSAS ELA		2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT
		CAT	PT	CAT
	Total test items	36-39	2	40-46
1	Reading **	14–16		14-19
2	Writing	6	1*	9
3	Listening	8–9		8–9
4	Research	8	1	9

Summary of changes:

- A. 2019-20 OSAS ELA PT removed from ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint
 - a. *Claim 1 Reading: 4 Literary Text (machine scored items) from 2019-20 OSAS ELA Blueprint increases to 4-7 Literary Text (machine scored items) in 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint.*
 - b. *Claim 2 Writing: 1 ELA PT (full write item) removed from 2019-20 OSAS ELA Blueprint and replaced with 3 (machine scored items) in 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint.*
 - c. *Claim 4 Research: 1 ELA PT (machine scored or brief write item) removed from 2019-20 OSAS ELA Blueprint and replaced with 1 (machine scored item) in 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint.*

* 2019-20 ELA PT accounted for 3 items (Organization/Purpose, Evidence/Elaboration, and Conventions)

** Required items for Informational Text are 10–12 items in grades 6 and 7, and 12 items for grade 8.

- **Test Blueprints in ELA (*High School*)**

Claim	Content Category/Target	2019-20 OSAS ELA		2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT
		CAT	PT	CAT
	Total test items	37-39	2	41-43
1	Reading	15–16		15-16
2	Writing	6	1*	9
3	Listening	8–9		8–9
4	Research	8	1	9

Summary of changes:

- A. 2019-20 OSAS ELA PT removed from ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint
 - a. *Claim 2 Writing: 1 ELA PT (full write item) removed from 2019-20 OSAS ELA Blueprint and replaced with 3 (machine scored items) in 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint.*
 - b. *Claim 4 Research: 1 ELA PT (machine scored or brief write item) removed from 2019-20 OSAS ELA Blueprint and replaced with 1 (machine scored item) in 2020-21 ELA Enhanced CAT Blueprint.*

* 2019-20 ELA PT accounted for 3 items (Organization/Purpose, Evidence/Elaboration, and Conventions)