## Grade 8 Math: Instructional Focus and Fluency

Transitioning to the NYS Next Generation Math Learning Standards for Grades K-8, Effective September 2022

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| Formulate and reason about expressions and equations, including modeling an association in bivariate data with a linear equation, and solving linear equations and systems of linear equations. | Recognize equations for proportions ( $\mathrm{y} / \mathrm{x}=\mathrm{m}$ or $\mathrm{y}=\mathrm{mx}$ ) as special linear equations ( $y=m x+b$ ) <br> $>$ understanding that the constant of proportionality ( m ) is the slope, and the graphs are lines through the origin <br> know the parts of the equation ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$ )represents the point, m represents the slope, and $b$ represents the $y$ intercept <br> Understand that the slope (m) of a line is a constant rate of change <br> Express a linear relationship between two quantities and interpret components of the relationship (such as slope and $y$ intercept) in terms of the situation <br> e.g., Compare a distance-time graph to a distance-time equation to determine which of two moving objects has greater speed. | NY-8.EE. 5 Graph proportional relationships, interpreting the unit rate as the slope of the graph. Compare two different proportional relationships represented in different ways. <br> NY-8.EE. 6 Use similar triangles to explain why the slope $m$ is the same between any two distinct points on a non-vertical line in the coordinate plane; derive the equation $y$ $=m x$ for a line through the origin and the equation $y=m x+b$ for a line intercepting the vertical axis at $b$. <br> NY-8.EE. 7 Solve linear equations in one variable. |


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| Formulate and <br> reason about expressions and equations, including modeling an association in bivariate data with <br> a linear equation, and solving linear equations and systems of linear equations continued... | (POST-TEST)* Solve systems of two linear equations in two variables and relate the systems to pairs of lines in the plane(intersect, parallel, or are the same line) <br> (systems are POST-TEST)* Apply linear and systems of linear equations to solve application problems <br> $>$ one solution, no solutions, infinite solutions (may need to simplify) <br> > using rational number coefficients <br> > involving combining like terms, and using the distributive property | NY-8.EE. 8 (POST-TEST)* Analyze and solve pairs of simultaneous linear equations. |
| Grasp the concept of a function and use functions to describe quantitative relationships a function as a rule that assigns to each input exactly one output. | Understand that functions describe situations where one quantity determines another <br> $>$ e.g., where the function is increasing or decreasing or when the function is linear or non-linear <br> Translate among representations and partial representations of functions and describe how aspects of the function are reflected in the different representations <br> $>$ function notation is NOT required in grade 8 <br> > include description, table, and graph representations <br> > include rate of change and initial value <br> $>$ include linear and non-linear | NY-8.F. 4 Construct a function to model a linear relationship between two quantities. Determine the rate of change and initial value of the function from a description of a relationship or from two ( $x, y$ ) values, including reading these from a table or from a graph. Interpret the rate of change and initial value of a linear function in terms of the situation it models, and in terms of its graph or a table of values. <br> NY-8.F. 5 Describe qualitatively the functional relationship between two quantities by analyzing a graph. Sketch a graph that exhibits the qualitative features of a function that has been described in a real-world context. |


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| Analyze two- and three-dimensional space and figures using distance, angle, similarity, and congruence, and understanding and applying the Pythagorean Theorem. | Use translations, rotations, reflections, and dilations to describe, analyze, and solve problems involving two dimensional figures <br> $>$ lines/line segments mapped to lines/line segments <br> $>$ angles mapped to angles <br> > parallel lines mapped to parallel lines <br> $>$ establishing congruence/similarity using properties of transformations <br> $>$ lines of reflection are limited to both axes and lines of the form $\mathrm{y}=\mathrm{k}$ and $\mathrm{x}=\mathrm{k}$, where k is a constant when graphing rotations are limited to 90 and 180 degrees about the origin (unless otherwise specified, rotations are assumed to be counterclockwise) <br> Show that the sum of the angles in a triangle is the angle formed by a straight line, and that various configurations of lines give rise to similar triangles because of the angles created when a transversal cuts parallel lines <br> Understand the statement of the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse, and why the Pythagorean Theorem holds |


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| Analyze two- and three-dimensional space and figures using distance, angle, similarity, and congruence, and understanding and applying the Pythagorean Theorem continued... | Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to find distances between points on the coordinate plane, to find lengths, and to analyze polygons. | NY-8.G. 5 Use informal arguments to establish facts about the angle sum and exterior angle of triangles, about the angles created when parallel lines are cut by a transversal, and the angle-angle criterion for similarity of triangles. <br> NY-8.G. 6 Understand a proof of the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse. <br> NY-8.G.7 Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to determine unknown side lengths in right triangles in real world and mathematical problems in two and three dimensions. <br> NY-8.G.8 Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance between two points in a coordinate system. |
| Fluency | Fluency development | Fluency Standard |
| Solve systems of linear equations in two variables graphically, algebraically, and using a table. (Procedura). | (POST-TEST)* Solving systems algebraically will be limited to at least one equation containing at least one variable whose coefficient is 1 . Algebraic solution methods include elimination and substitution. | -8.EE.8b (POST-TEST)* Solve systems of linear equations in two variables with integer efficients: graphically, numerically using a le, and algebraically. Solve simple cases by pection. |

*(POST-TEST) refers to standards content that is taught after the NYS grade 3-8 assessment. This time typically occurs late April June.

