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Good morning, District Assessment Coordinators –

An issue with one item on the 8<sup>th</sup> grade ELA test is causing a blank white screen during test administration for some students who have been assigned this form.

The problem is being fixed by DRC today and **will be resolved by the time testing resumes tomorrow.**

However, for today – March 30, we are advising that 8<sup>th</sup> grade students do NOT take the ELA assessment. Again, this pertains ONLY to any students scheduled **today** to take the **ELA test in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.**

If your 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have already begun ELA testing today and encounter an item that presents a white screen, please simply direct students to use the drop down to skip that item. Scoring will NOT be impacted for any students who have this issue with their test form today.

If you have any questions, please contact the DRC Help Desk ([WIHelpDesk@datarecognitioncorp.com](mailto:WIHelpDesk@datarecognitioncorp.com) or 800-459-6530).

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