

Nebraska State Accountability – Science

Tables of Specification Explanation

The Tables of Specification for Science are different from reading and mathematics in that the total number of items is provided at the GRADE LEVEL STANDARD, rather than at the indicator level. This decision was made based on input received from science content experts from across the state. It is important to note that all indicators under a tested grade level standard *may* be present on NeSA-S.

EXAMPLE:

For grade level standard SC 8.1.1, there is a possible 8-13 items that will be part of the test. These 8-13 items will be comprised of the indicators under that grade level standard (i.e., SC 8.1.1.a to SC 8.1.1.j).

The grade level standards that will *not* be part of NeSA-S are indicated on the TOS as “assessed at the local level”.