R A C E

R- Restate the question by turning it into a statement

A-Answer all parts of the question

C-Cite examples from the text

 “because…”

*“The text states…” “In Paragraph four…”*

*“The Author states…” “For example…”*

E-Explain How your Evidence Supports the Answer

“This shows that…” “This means…”

Example #1

What is the best middle school in Johnson County?

CPMS is the best middle school in Johnson County because it offers many extracurricular activities for students. For example, there are sports, clubs, academic teams, music and theater choices and service learning opportunities. In some schools, there aren’t as many choices, so not every student can get involved. Getting involved with extracurriculars makes you more connected to your school and increases your desire to do better in school. So, the more activities you participate in at school, the more you will enjoy school. CPMS gives every student something to get involved in outside of the classroom making it the best middle school around.

Example #2

Do you think girls are raised differently than boys?

Girls are raised differently than boys in our society. For example, the moment a girl is born, she is dressed in pink clothing often with some sort of frilly bow for her hair. Girls’ clothing typically has pictures of flowers, butterflies, and other cutesy things during the early years of their lives. On the other hand, boys’ clothing often has pictures of activities such as hunting, fishing, and building things. Society may be treating girls differently partially due to the way we are portraying girls with their outfits. Flowers and butterflies are delicate and should be handled carefully. Whereas hunting and fishing are not seen as delicate but rather “tough” activities. Therefore, girls may be seen as delicate, and boys may be seen as tough. This means society may be more protective of girls because of this and not encourage them to participate in “tougher” activities.