

# Wayne County Federal Projects Newsletter

January 2017

## Parent Teacher Conference Feb. 6

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held at all Wayne County schools from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday, Feb. 6, 2016 (unless otherwise notified by your school). Parent Teacher conferences are an excellent opportunity to visit your child's school and discuss their progress with their teachers.

## Feb. 20 In-Service

In-Service sessions at individual schools will be held on Monday, Feb. 20, 2016. Students will not be in school this day.

## State Launches New Report Card Design

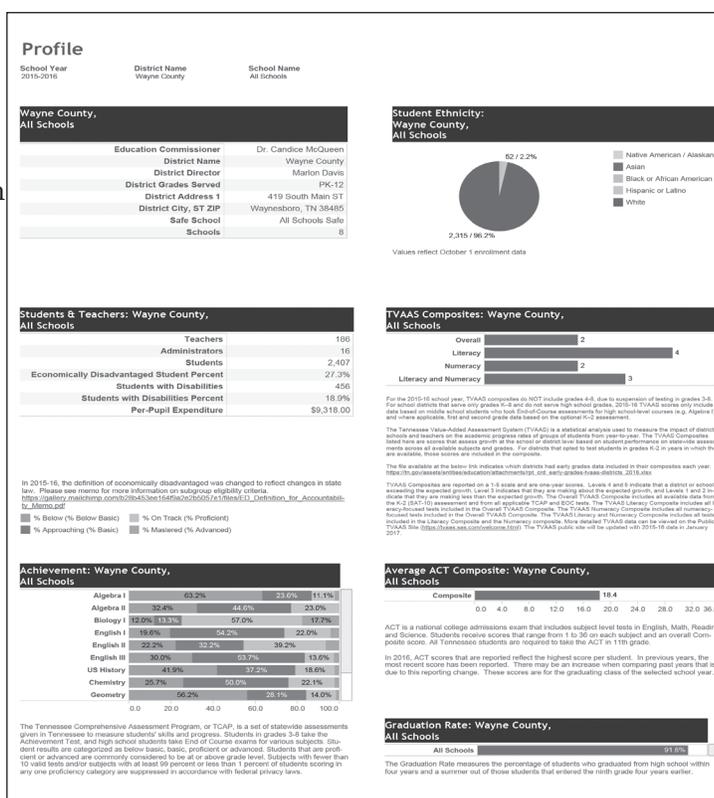
The Tennessee Department of Education this year is offering a redesigned district and school report card to help educators and families better access and understand information about their schools.

The new site includes results from the 2015-16 school year. The report card covers a variety of information about the academic success of districts and schools. The report card also includes demographic information about each district and school, attendance figures, graduation rates and more.

Tennessee began issuing an annual report card for districts and schools in the early 1990s, providing an overview of state, district and school-level performance. The report has expanded over time to include enrollment statistics, student achievement and growth on state assessments and other data points. The redesigned report card includes figures that reflect a fuller picture of how students and schools are performing and features additional resources to help district and school leaders more easily download and share the data with communities.

The redesigned report card was the result of feedback from educators and community members who expressed a need for information that is easier to understand and navigate. The department plans to integrate additional data points and information into the redesigned layout over the coming years.

To look at school and district information about Wayne County, you can visit the site at <https://www.measuretn.gov:444/ReportCard/#/> and click on the 2015-16 Report Card link at the bottom of the page.



# Wayne County Nondiscrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Wayne County School System not to discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, age, color, sex, handicap, or national origin in its educational programs, activities, or employment policies as required by Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, and Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

If you are unable to speak English an interpreter will be provided for you upon request.

## La Política de No Discriminación Del Condado de Wayne

Es la política del Sistema Escolar de Condado de Wayne de no discriminar a base de raza, religion, credo, edad, color, sexo, devantaja ni a base del origen nacional en sus programas educativos, sus actividades ni en sus politicas del empleo como requerido por el Titulo VI del Acto Civil de Derechos de 1964, el Titulo IX del las Enmiendas Educativas de 1972, y la Seccion 504 del Acto Federal de Rehabilitacion de 1973.

Si usted es incapaz de hablar ingles, un interprete sera proveido para usted a pedido.

## Steps for Homework Success

### Think it through

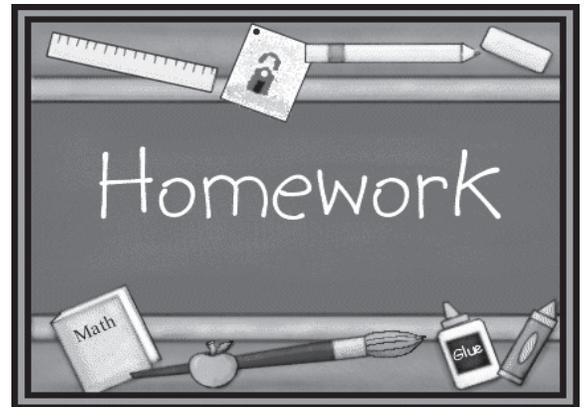
Before your children begin, have them make a to-do list. For example: Write a Poem, Read a History Chapter, Solve 10 Math Problems. Then, number the tasks from toughest to easiest and start with the hard stuff. This “save the easiest for last” strategy will help your children finish on a high note, and perhaps even inspire them to get in some extra studying!

### Think about time

Ask your children to consider different time slots to get the work done. For instance, they may set aside a weekend morning or night. Also, many students have time during a study period or after lunch to tackle homework. Encourage your children to complete one assignment at school each day. The more they do then, the more time for fun they will have later.

### Think Positive

Help your children see homework as a chance to prove their independence by getting work done on time and by themselves. Boost confidence levels by telling them “Homework gives you a chance to show what you know.” And give them a thumbs-up when they complete assignments.



## English as a Second Language Notification

Title III is the portion of No Child Left Behind that serves English as a Second Language Students. Through Title III, students who have a primary language other than English receive instruction in English in a specialized setting.

Tennessee has more than 35 language groups who come from more than 50 countries. For these students, English is not the first language they learned to speak. However, for many of these students, English is the first language in which they have learned to read and write.