

Wayne County

Federal Projects Newsletter

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Feb. 1

In-Service

In-Service sessions at individual schools will be held on Monday, Feb. 1, 2016. Students will not be in school this day.

Parent Teacher Conference

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held at all Wayne County schools from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday, Feb. 15, 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.

Wayne County Report Card Results

2014-15 School Year

Wayne County students in grades 3-8 scored an A, B, and a C overall in the state's annual Report Card for the 2014-15 school year.

The Report Card is a comprehensive look at state, district and school-level data for each school year. The Report Card includes demographics, achievement results, accountability progress, value-added data, attendance figures, graduation rates and more.

In the three subjects assessed for the Report Card - math, reading and science - Wayne County scored an A in math, a B in science and a C in reading.

The Annual Report Card showed an attendance rate of 93.8 percent for grades K-8 in Wayne County, an attendance rate of 92.9 percent for high school grades, and a graduation rate of 95.2 percent.

The report also reflects that 100 percent of teachers in the Wayne County School System are considered highly qualified. For more information about Report Card results for Wayne County and the state, visit www.tn.gov/education/topic/report-card.

New TCAP TNReady Testing Window Set for February 8-29

TCAP testing, which typically begins in April, will start earlier this year as schools prepare to administer TNReady, the state's new TCAP test for English language arts and math in grades 3-11.

The test, which will provide more and better information about students' progress, will be given in two parts. Part I, which will be administered online, will be given between February 8-29. Dates and times of tests within this window will vary by school.

Part I will consist of extended response items in reading, math and social studies.

You can read more about TNReady on the second page of this newsletter.

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.

TOP 10 FACTS
about
TNReady

- 1 TNReady is designed to measure students' real understanding of the material, not just basic memorization and test-taking skills.
- 2 TNReady replaces the previous math and English language arts TCAP tests. There will be no additional state tests for English language arts and math.
- 3 The results from TNReady will provide parents and teachers with more and better information about what students know.
- 4 The best preparation for TNReady comes from strong instruction in the classroom every day.
- 5 TNReady provides students multiple ways to show what they know and can do.
- 6 Online practice tools are already available for parents, teachers, and students to practice using the online test format.
- 7 Online tools will be available to every student during the test to support them as they answer questions.
- 8 TNReady will be taken online to prepare students with technology skills they will need to succeed in postsecondary education and the workforce.
- 9 TNReady will change over time as our math and English language arts standards are revised and improved.
- 10 Because this is a new and different type of test, student scores will likely be impacted as we set a new baseline for student performance.

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.

Tennessee's No Child Left Behind Waiver

The Tennessee Department of Education has received a waiver from certain portions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, known as No Child Left Behind. Tennessee was one of 10 states granted the waiver, which was given in February of 2012. The waiver gives Tennessee flexibility to measure progress with state-specific goals and standards rather than using the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) model.