

# FIVE BENEFITS OF TNREADY

- 1** TNReady will assess students on their real understanding of material, not just rote memorization or test-taking tricks.
- 2** TNReady will measure whether students are developing the real-world skills needed for the next grade and for life after high school – critical thinking, problem solving, and communication.
- 3** TNReady will give teachers and parents important information about where students are succeeding and where they need more support.
- 4** The best preparation for TNReady will be the high-quality teaching and engaged learning that happens in classrooms all year.
- 5** TNReady will ensure parents know at each grade how their children are doing in school and how their school is doing compared to other schools.

TNREADY WILL HELP TENNESSEE STUDENTS GRADUATE READY TO TAKE ON THE WORLD, AND WIN.

## HELP YOUR CHILD GET TNREADY!

TNREADY WILL BE A CHANGE FOR OUR STUDENTS, AND PARENTS CAN HELP THEM BE READY FOR TNREADY.

**TALK TO YOUR TEACHER:** Ask about your child's strengths and get advice about addressing any weaknesses.

**TALK TO YOUR STUDENT:** Find out where your student feels confident or where your student has concerns.

**TEST DRIVE THE TEST:** Visit the TNReady website and encourage your child to practice online with the sample questions and digital tools available there.

**DEVELOP DIGITAL CONFIDENCE:** Give your child opportunities at home, at school, or at the public library to build digital skills, such as using a mouse or typing answers on a keyboard.

**BE A ROLE MODEL:** When you are excited about learning, your student will be excited.

LEARN MORE AT  
[TNREADY.GOV](http://TNREADY.GOV) AND [EXPECTMORETN.ORG](http://EXPECTMORETN.ORG)



# IS YOUR FAMILY READY FOR TNREADY?

HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED ON TENNESSEE'S NEW AND IMPROVED TCAP TEST FOR MATH AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Learn more at [TNReady.gov](http://TNReady.gov) and [ExpectMoreTN.org](http://ExpectMoreTN.org)

# TENNESSEE IS GETTING READY FOR TNREADY

Starting this school year, Tennessee public schools will be using a better way to measure how much students have learned. A new statewide assessment, called TNReady, replaces the old TCAP math and English tests for students in grades 3-12. This new and improved test will better measure the real-world skills that prepare Tennessee students to graduate ready to take on the world and win.



## WHAT IS CHANGING?

TNReady is more than a new name, and it is more than just a multiple-choice, fill-in-the-bubble test. Students taking TNReady will be able to show what they know and what they can do on a test that is designed to be more engaging for the online generation.

The TNReady English assessment will allow students to demonstrate their reading, writing, and analytical skills using fiction and nonfiction readings. The math test will present real-life situations to test student abilities, both with and without a calculator. TNReady is designed to assess how well students really understand math and English.

Also TNReady will be done on computers at your child's schools – so out with the old paper and pencils!

## WHY DO TENNESSEE STUDENTS NEED TNREADY?

By the end of the decade, nearly two-thirds of jobs in Tennessee are expected to require some education past high school. When today's students go on to higher education or work after high school, they will need to be able to solve problems, think critically, and communicate clearly. TNReady will give teachers and parents meaningful information about their student's progress building these real-world skills.

## WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT TNREADY

When students take TNReady, the state's new and improved English and math assessment, they are taking an important step to being ready for what comes after high school – whether going on to career training, college, the military, or work. TNReady will help Tennessee students graduate ready to take on the world and win.

A year in the classroom should produce a year of learning, and the TNReady assessment will help Tennessee parents be sure their students are on track and growing.

- » *TNReady is not an extra test, it is the replacement test for the old math and English TCAP.*
- » *TNReady will give students a fair chance to show what they know and what they can do in multiple ways, not just multiple choice. Because it is a new test, the first year will set a new baseline for student performance.*
- » *TNReady will include questions that require students to explain their answers, so students are measured on true knowledge, not test-taking tricks.*
- » *The best preparation for TNReady will be the high-quality teaching and engaged learning that happens throughout the year before the test.*

Students in Tennessee deserve an education that prepares them for success after high school, and TNReady will better measure the real-world skills students will need as adults.

- » *TNReady will assess the kinds of skills that students will use in college, technical training, military service, and work.*
- » *TNReady will use multiple types of questions to better assess how well students have mastered those types of skills – including thinking critically, solving problems, and communicating clearly.*
- » *TNReady will give teachers and parents a clearer picture of whether their students are on track to graduate ready for next steps – and what to do if they are not.*

