# Marion County Schools Established in 1910

TN 3rd Grade Retention Law 2022-2023

### **TN Retention Law**

State Law: Students must be "on track" or "mastered" on the literacy portion of the 3rd grade TCAP to be promoted to the 4th grade.

From the Tennessee Learning Loss Remediation & Student Acceleration Act (January 2021)

### **TCAP Assessment Levels**

#### **Below Expectations**

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The student did not meet Tennessee's grade level expectations and has little knowledge of the skills and concepts in the subject. The student is approaching Tennessee's grade level expectations and has a partial understanding of the skills and concepts in the subject.

Approaching

Expectations

#### Met Expectations

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The student met Tennessee's grade level expectations and has a thorough understanding of the skills and concepts in the subject.

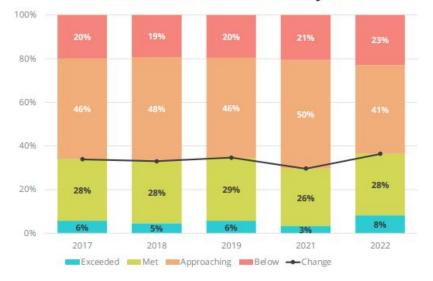
#### 4 Exceeded Expectations

The student met Tennessee's grade level expectations and understands the most complex skills and concepts in the subject.

### Where is this coming from?

#### 🟥 ELA OVERVIEW

- 36.4% of Tennessee students are meeting grade level expectations in English language arts (ELA).
- Proficiency gains were reflected in all tested grades.
- Overall proficiency in ELA has largely returned to pre-pandemic levels, with more students scoring Met and Exceeded than 2019.
- State Supports: Reading 360; Tennessee Literacy Success Act; Tennessee ALL Corps; universal implementation of high-quality instructional materials; summer camps; Best for All Central resources



#### **ELA: All Students Overview by Year**

#### 2021 TN Learning Loss Remediation & Student Acceleration Act

Starting in the 2022-2023 school year, 3rd graders must score "on track" or "mastered" on ELA TCAP. If not the PATHWAY to 4th grade is:

3rd Grade students with an "approaching" score must:	3rd Grade students with a "below" score must:
<ul> <li>Attend learning loss bridge camp and</li> <li>Maintain 90% camp attendance</li> <li>Demonstrate adequate growth on the state-adopted post-test administered at the end of camp</li> <li>OR</li> <li>Participate in the Tennessee Accelerating Literacy and Learning Corps (TN ALL Corps) in the 4th grade</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attend learning loss bridge camp and</li> <li>Maintain 90% camp attendance</li> <li>AND</li> <li>Participate in the Tennessee Accelerating Literacy and Learning Corps (TN ALL Corps) in 4th grade</li> </ul>
4th Grade Retention:	

If a student is promoted to 4th grade based on meeting the requirements above, they must demonstrate "adequate growth...as determined by the department" on the 4th grade ELA TCAP in order to be promoted to 5th grade, but the student may not be retained in 4th grade more than once.

### Exemptions for Approaching Expectations

- Student has a disability or is suspected to have a disability that affects their ability to read
- Student has been previously retained
- Student is an English Learner with less than 2 years of English instruction
- Student scored 50th percentile or above on an approved benchmark assessment
  - New amendment to current bill. Student MUST attend tutoring in the 4th grade.

Exemptions we provide

- ★ Student can retest and score "on track" or "mastered"
- ★ Student attends Reading Expedition (summer camp) for 90% of the time (18/20 days) and shows adequate growth
- ★ Waiver is approved by the TDOE

### Exemptions for Below Expectations

- Student has a disability or is suspected to have a disability that affects their ability to read
- Student has been previously retained
- Student is an English Learner with less than 2 years of English instruction

Exemptions we provide

- ★ Student can retest and score "on track" or "mastered"
- ★ Student attends Reading Expedition (summer camp) for 90% of the time, shows adequate growth, and receives high-dosage tutoring for the entirety of the next school year

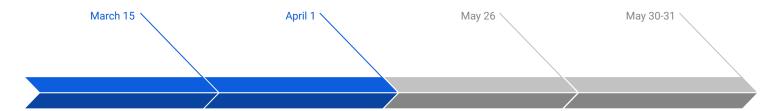
### TCAP (TNReady)

When is it? Grades 2-4: April 17th through 21st

What can I do to help my child?

- Be aware of how your child is scoring on the aimswebPlus universal screener
- Read with your child at home
- Check out these resources:
  - Best for All Central Family Reading Resources
  - <u>Best for All Central Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program Family</u> <u>Resources</u>
  - Governor's Early Literacy Foundation K-3 Reading Time at Home Guides

### Spring Timeline



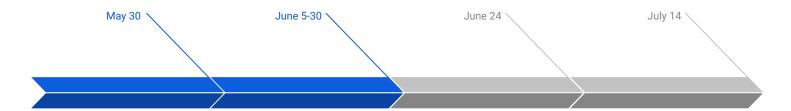
Schools notify families if their child is at risk of not scoring proficient on TCAP

This information is based off of aimswebPlus winter benchmark data. Reading Expedition (summer school) enrollment opens

3rd Grade students will have first priority

Scores will be sent to the district and families will be notified if student scores are below or approaching. Students who score below or approaching can participate in the test retake.

### Spring Timeline



Parent Appeal Portal Opens

This window will be opened from May 30-June 13. Reading Expedition Summer Camp

**3rd graders will have top priority** 

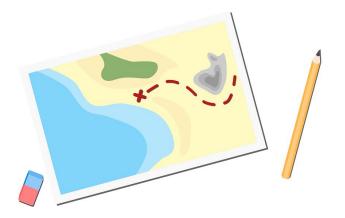
Final Retention notification for students who did NOT participate in intervention options Final Retention notification for students who participated in summer programming

### Reading Expedition: Quest for Success

June 5 - June 30, 2023

8am-2pm, Monday-Friday

State requires 90% attendance rate for **Reading Expedition** (summer camp) for promotion to 4th grade (this is 18 out of the 20 days)



### **House Education Committees**

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Chair



- **Education Administration:** 
  - System level issues 0
  - 19 members: 4 D & 15 R
- Education Instruction:
  - **Classroom content & materials** 0
  - 19 Members: 5 D & 14 R 0
- Bills:
  - House members can file no 0 more than 15 bills during each annual session of the TNGA
  - Exception: a chair of a standing 0 committee may file an additional 5 bills on subjects that pertain to the committee they chair
- Note: Education bills will also be heard in other committees depending on on their content



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- 9 Members: 1 D & 8 R
- Advocacy consideration: all education related legislative proposals must pass through this committee
- Currently: 100+ bills on calendar



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