



Vision Statement

Maintain Tennessee's position as the fastest improving state in the nation -- and enter the top half of all states on student outcomes by 2020.

This means the State Board of Education must develop and maintain policies that ensure a primary focus on student success.

Strategic Priorities

The State Board of Education will approach policy decisions with a student-centered focus across the following priority areas:

- 1. Serve All Students** – We will work to ensure all students have the supports and pathways they need for success.
- 2. High Quality School Options** – We will insist that all students have access to high quality schools regardless of zip code, prior achievement, or demographics.
- 3. Great Teachers and Leaders** – We will work to ensure all students have access to great teachers led by great leaders.
- 4. High Standards and Quality Measures** – We will ensure that Tennessee instructional standards are among the very best in the world, reviewed regularly, with an eye towards continuous improvement.
- 5. Transparency, Public Engagement, and Oversight** – We will commit to good governance, effective oversight, and engagement with the citizens of Tennessee.