

List of Approved Pre-Kindergarten Curricula 2018-19

To align with the K-12 Tennessee Academic Standards recently adopted by the State Board of Education, the Office of Early Learning has revised the Tennessee Early Childhood Education Early Learning Developmental Standards (TN-ELDS) for four-year-olds. While there have been no significant revisions to the content of the standards, the department has worked to ensure consistent language and vertical alignment with the K-12 standards. For more information about the TN-ELDS for four year olds visit our web page at:

https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/education/standards/tnelds/std_tnelts_4yo_2018.pdf

The following comprehensive curricula have submitted a crosswalk of their curriculum in alignment with the revised TN-ELDS:

Comprehensive Curricula

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt: *Big Day for PreK*

Kaplan Early Learning Company: *Connect4Learning*

Teaching Strategies: *Creative Curriculum*

Alternate Curriculum Request

Each year, a district may request approval of an alternate curriculum program. To do so, the district must provide the following:

- District must attend a webinar training to learn the parameters of the scoring rubric tool which was created for this solicitation
- District must analyze the proposed curriculum program using the scoring rubric tool created for this solicitation
- District must provide a detailed crosswalk, designed by the Office of Early Learning, which aligns TN-ELDS with proposed curriculum
- District must analyze alignment from the lesson through the unit and provide details regarding concept development
- District must provide a letter from the director of schools that outlines a rationale for the request

Only a comprehensive program which address all developmental domains and build deep conceptual knowledge will be approved. In the event that a district chooses does not implement one of the three approved curriculum programs or receive approval for an alternate curriculum program, VPK funding could be impacted.