



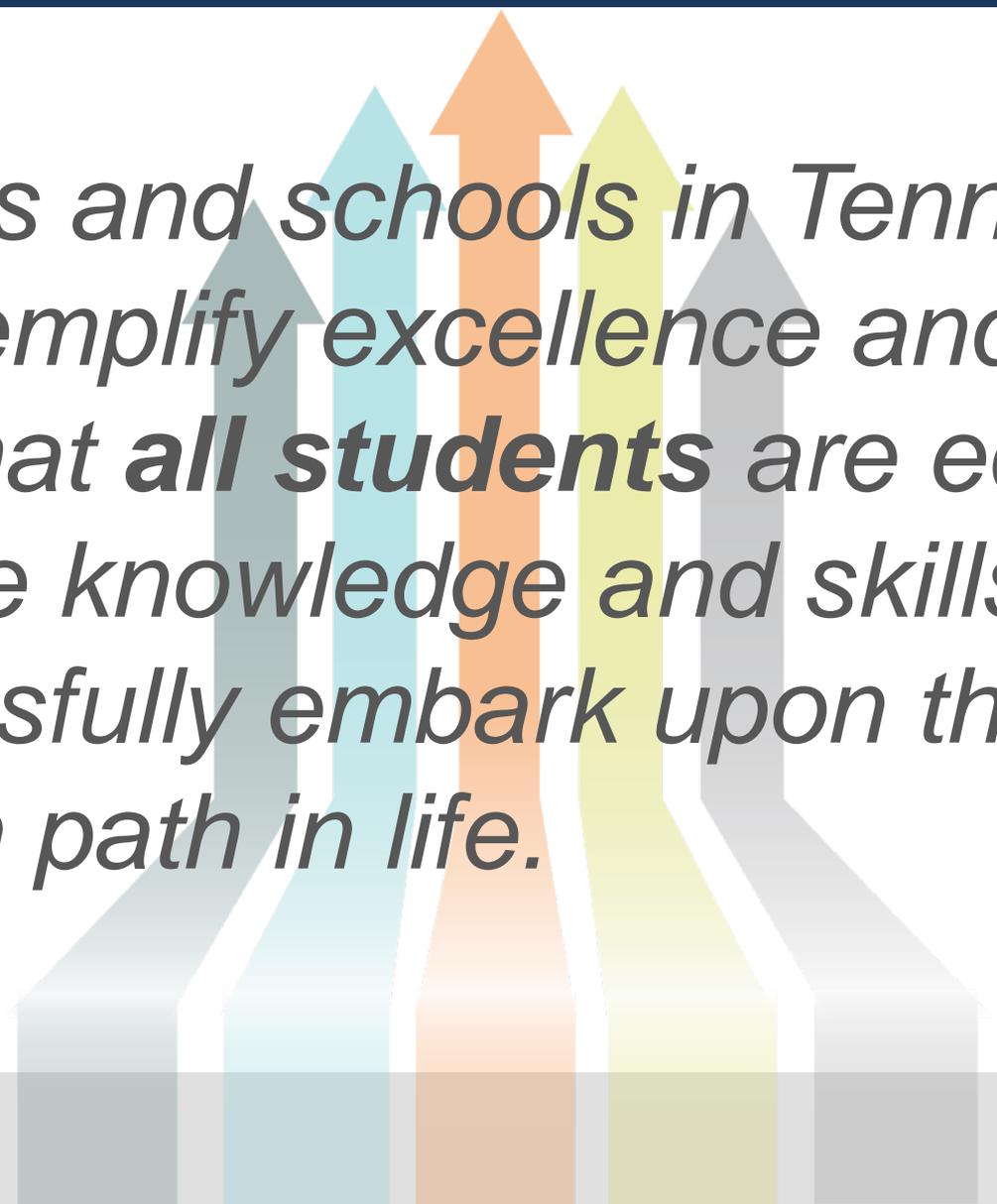
# **Tennessee Pathways**

## **Preparing Today's Students for Tomorrow's Tennessee**



Tenn**ESSA<sup>+</sup>**ee Succeeds

# Our Vision



*Districts and schools in Tennessee will exemplify excellence and equity such that **all students** are equipped with the knowledge and skills to successfully embark upon their chosen path in life.*

# What we believe

We believe that **all students** should have the knowledge and skills to **seamlessly transition** to postsecondary and high-quality careers.

*If...*

K-12 school districts, postsecondary institutions, and employers **coordinate efforts** to provide all students with college and career advisement, access to early postsecondary opportunities, and experiential learning opportunities like work-based learning and apprenticeships

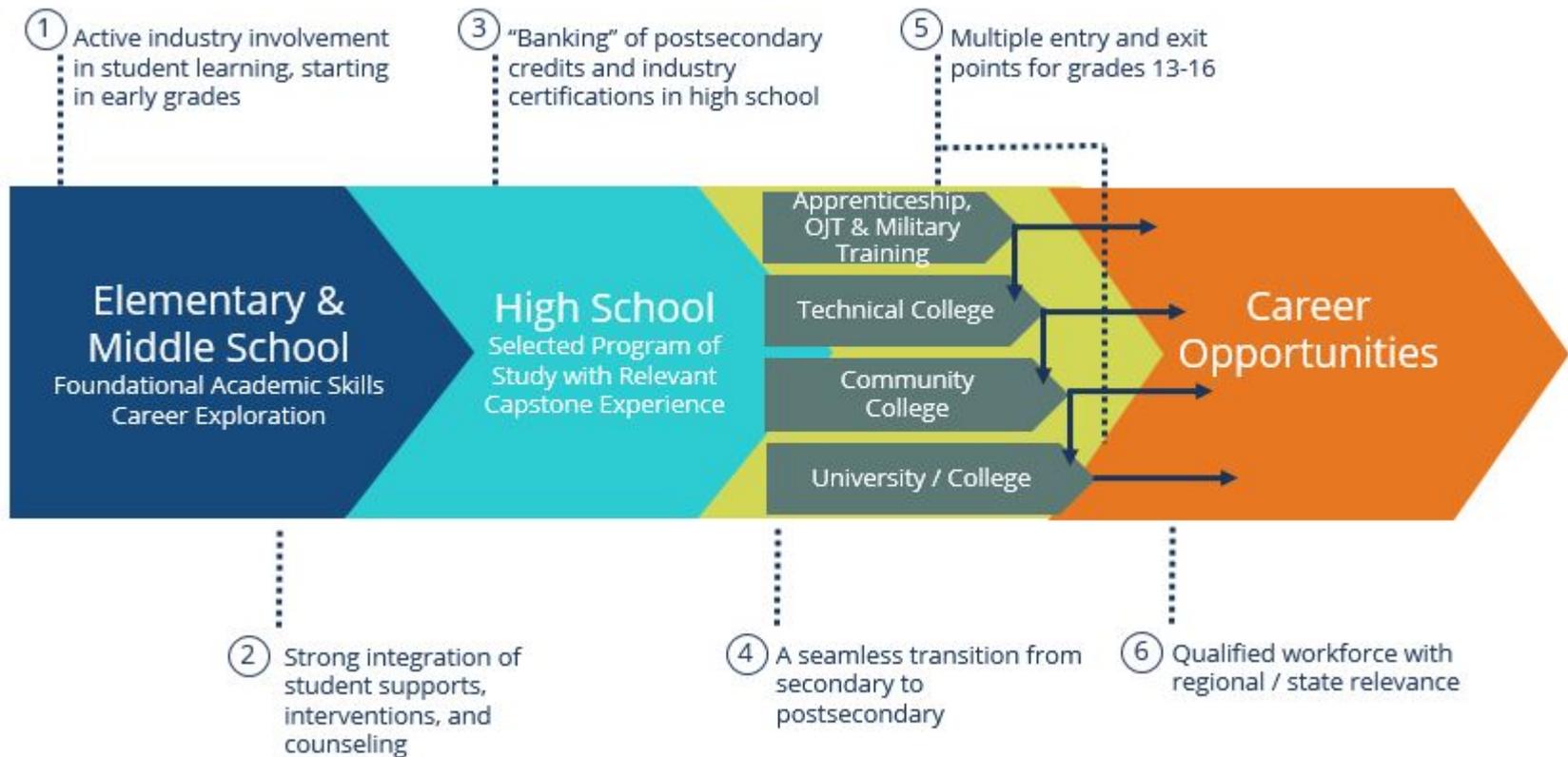
*Then...*

All students will have **access** to high-quality careers and will be able to contribute to expanding Tennessee's economy.

# Pathways Tennessee, 2012-2017



**PATHWAYS TENNESSEE**  
WHERE PASSION MEETS OPPORTUNITY



# Tennessee Pathways Realignment



# How does it work?

The **Tennessee Pathways Framework** is structured around three key elements:

- 1) High-quality **college and career advisement** K-12;
- 2) Rigorous **early postsecondary and work-based learning opportunities** in high school; and
- 3) **Seamless vertical alignment** between K-12, postsecondary programs, and career opportunities as a result of **effective partnerships** between school districts, higher education institutions, employers, and community organizations.

# How does it work?



# What will we do?

- Convene and coordinate key state agencies and organizations vital to the **Drive to 55**
- Provide districts and schools a clear, coherent approach for ensuring all students are prepared to seamlessly enroll in credit-bearing postsecondary coursework and training
- Support high schools and their partners in creating **certified Tennessee Pathways** to connect high school programs of study and electives of focus to postsecondary training, credentials, and high-quality employment.
- Recognize and reward **exemplary district** programs that create equity, access, student success outcomes through a **Tennessee Pathways Certification and Designation.**

# What does success look like?

- Regional consultants and partner organizations (postsecondary, employers, community organizations) **build the capacity** of schools and districts to partner and create system-level alignment
- K-12 partnerships with postsecondary and employers lead to structural alignment that **reduces friction** in the transition from high school to postsecondary and employment
- Districts across the state achieve greater **equity** and overall increases in the percentage of students who meet the Ready Graduate indicators
- The majority of high school graduates earn a postsecondary credential that leads to high-quality, sustainable employment

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