



February 2, 2024

Mr. Bob Eby, Chairman
Tennessee State Board of Education
Davy Crockett Tower
500 James Robertson Pkwy
Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Letter for Necessity for 2022-23 School and District Designations

Dear Chairman Eby,

We request the State Board of Education hear the 2022-23 Reward School designations, Exemplary District designations, and In Need of Improvement District designations at the February 16, 2024 quarterly meeting despite the delayed submission in advance of the meeting.

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-1-602, the Tennessee Department of Education is required to annually present school and district designations to the State Board of Education. The submission of this item is past the 20-business day deadline in order to provide districts with an appeals window prior to finalizing the designation lists for the Board's approval. The appeals window was held between January 16th and January 29th.

Thank you for your consideration of this item,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lizzette Reynolds". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Lizzette Reynolds
Commissioner
Tennessee Department of Education