



# TENNESSEE

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION

**ANNUAL AUTHORIZER  
REPORT**

**JANUARY 23,  
2025**

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- In accordance with T.C.A. § 49-13-120, each authorizer shall produce an annual report by January 1 of each year of the prior school year's performance.
- The annual report summarizes the results of each school's academic, financial, and organizational performance based on the School Performance Framework.
- The report provides information about the Commission as an authorizer and the schools within our portfolio.
- The report is published on the Commission's [website](#).



# SY23-24 COMMISSION SCHOOLS

School	Year Opened	2023-24 Enrollment	2023-24 Grades Served
<b>Geographic District: Memphis-Shelby County Schools</b>			
Bluff City High School	2017	478	9-12
Cornerstone Prep Denver Campus	2015	610	K-5
Cornerstone Prep School	2022	53	K-1
Lester Prep	2014	219	6-8
Libertas School of Memphis	2015	415	K-5
Promise Academy Spring Hill	2013	347	K-5
<b>Geographic District: Metro Nashville Public Schools</b>			
KIPP Antioch College Prep Elementary	2018	628	K-4
KIPP Antioch College Prep Middle	2019	522	5-8
KIPP Antioch Global High School	2023	116	9
LEAD Neely's Bend	2015	288	5-8
Nashville Collegiate Prep	2021	613	K-7
Rocketship Dream Community Prep	2022	394	K-4
Tennessee Nature Academy	2023	113	5-6



# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

- Student Outcomes (25 - 35%)
- Mission-specific Goal (10%)
- Comparative Performance (40%)
- TVAAS (15 - 25%)



# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

School	SY23-24 Overall Academic Performance
Bluff City High School	Meets Standard
Cornerstone Prep Denver Campus	Meets Standard
Cornerstone Prep School	Exceeds Standard
Lester Prep	Meets Standard
Libertas School of Memphis	Meets Standard
Promise Academy Spring Hill	Meets Standard
KIPP Antioch College Prep Elementary	Meets Standard
KIPP Antioch College Prep Middle	Exceeds Standard
KIPP Antioch Global High School	Exceeds Standard
LEAD Neely's Bend	Meets Standard
Nashville Collegiate Prep	Meets Standard
Rocketship Dream Community Prep	Meets Standard
Tennessee Nature Academy	Does Not Meet



# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE: WEST GRAND DIVISION

School	Student Outcomes	Mission-Specific Goal	Comparative Performance	TVAAS
Bluff City High School	Does Not Meet	Meets Standard	Does Not Meet	Exceeds Standard
Cornerstone Prep Denver Campus	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard
Cornerstone Prep School	n/a	Exceeds Standard	n/a	n/a
Lester Prep	Does Not Meet	Exceeds Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard
Libertas School of Memphis	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard
Promise Academy Spring Hill	Does Not Meet	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard



# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE: MIDDLE GRAND DIVISION

School	Student Outcomes	Mission-Specific Goal	Comparative Performance	TVAAS
KIPP Antioch College Prep Elementary	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard	Meets Standard
KIPP Antioch College Prep Middle	Exceeds Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard	Exceeds Standard
KIPP Antioch Global High School	Exceeds Standard	Exceeds Standard	Exceeds Standard	Exceeds Standard
LEAD Neely's Bend	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard
Nashville Collegiate Prep	Does Not Meet	Meets Standard	Does Not Meet	Exceeds Standard
Rocketship Dream Community Prep	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Exceeds Standard
Tennessee Nature Academy	Falls Far Below	Exceeds Standard	Meets Standard	Falls Far Below



# ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE: KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Twelve out of thirteen schools met standard on the academic section.
  - All schools in the West Grand Division met standard on the academic section and existing schools showed improvement.
    - Most notable growth from Bluff City High School
  - Most schools in the Middle Grand Division met standard.
- Commission schools demonstrated growth from SY22-23 to SY23-24 on TVAAS, the student outcomes metric, and the overall score on the academic section.



# ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE

- Indicator sections include:
  - Education Program
  - Financial Management and Oversight
  - Governance and Reporting
  - Students and Employees
  - School Environment
  - Additional Obligations



# FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

- The financial performance framework is comprised of ratings based on schools near term and sustainability indicators.
- Near term indicators depict the school's financial position and viability in the coming year.
- Sustainability measures indicate the school's longer-term financial performance and viability over time.



# ORGANIZATIONAL AND FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

School	SY23-24 Organizational Performance	SY23-24 Financial Performance
Bluff City High School	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
Cornerstone Prep Denver Campus	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
Cornerstone Prep School	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
Lester Prep	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
Libertas School of Memphis	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
Promise Academy Spring Hill	Does Not Meet	Meets Standard
KIPP Antioch College Prep Elementary	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
KIPP Antioch College Prep Middle	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
KIPP Antioch Global High School	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
LEAD Neely's Bend	Meets Standard	Pending
Nashville Collegiate Prep	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
Rocketship Dream Community Prep	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
Tennessee Nature Academy	Meets Standard	Meets Standard



# KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Organizational Performance
  - Commission schools are organizationally sound.
  - Promise Academy Spring Hill has partnered with Commission staff and has come into compliance with the shortcomings identified in SY23-24.
  - Commission staff continues to provide transparent feedback to schools throughout the year.
- Financial Performance
  - Commission schools are financially healthy.
  - All audits were received on-time with LEAD Neely's Bend's audit on an approved extension.



# NEXT STEPS

- Commission staff is continuing to work with schools to address any shortcomings.
- The results of our schools 2023-24 performance are being presented and discussed during meetings with each school's governing board.
- A final draft of the annual report will be published upon receipt of all final audits.



# **SCHOOL PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK UPDATE**



# SCHOOL PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK UPDATES

- Commission staff will re-open the framework for updates this year.
- We do not anticipate major updates to the framework but rather refining certain indicators.
- A redlined version with updates will be presented for first read in March, with adoption in July.





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