



Reading 360

*A comprehensive vision
for Tennessee literacy*

Family Engagement Webinar
October 14, 2021





BEST FOR ALL

We will set all students on a path to success.

ACADEMICS

ALL TENNESSEE STUDENTS WILL HAVE ACCESS TO A HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION, NO MATTER WHERE THEY LIVE

WHOLE CHILD

TENNESSEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL BE EQUIPPED TO SERVE THE ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC NEEDS OF ALL STUDENTS

EDUCATORS

TENNESSEE WILL SET A NEW PATH FOR THE EDUCATION PROFESSION AND BE THE TOP STATE TO BECOME AND REMAIN A TEACHER AND LEADER

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Agenda



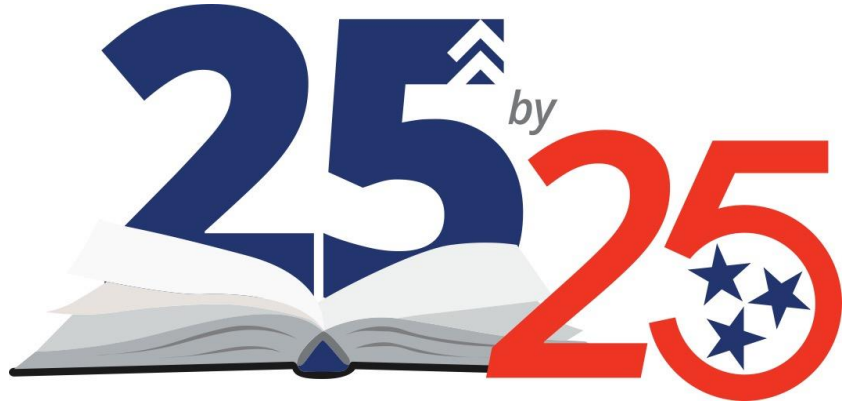
1:00 | Welcome – Scott Meltzer

1:05 | Reading 360 Components Overview – Robin McClellan

1:15 | Rollout of Family Literacy Night Turnkey Package – Corrie Jones

1:35 | Q&A

Goals & Outcomes by 2025...



Tennessee will see a **25 percentage point increase** in the number of 3rd graders who meet expectations on the TCAP and a 25% closure of the achievement gap **by 2025**.

Every elementary school teacher will have access to **high-quality professional development in early literacy.**

70% K-3 TEACHERS
WILL EARN A **LITERACY CERTIFICATE**



Reports on Tennessee progress in literacy will be published annually.

Why Reading Proficiency by Grade 3 Matters

Key indicator of future academic success as well as lifelong socioeconomic and health outcomes

Children reading at grade level are...



**MORE
LIKELY
TO:**

- Graduate from high school
- Enter & complete post-secondary programs
- Remain gainfully employed later in life



**SIGNIFICANTLY
MORE LIKELY TO:** Stay on grade level over time

HIGHLY CORRELATED with high school completion and lifelong socioeconomic and health and wellness outcomes.



Children not reading at grade level are...

**4X MORE LIKELY TO DROP
OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL**

Negatively impacting short & long-term earning potential

ASSOCIATED with higher rates of poverty, not keeping up with medical treatment, pre-teen alcohol use, depression, and teenage pregnancy.

KEY TAKEAWAY

Low literacy rates negatively impacts our students and our state.



What is Reading 360[®]?



A *comprehensive* approach that includes systematic foundational literacy, educator and leader preparation, instructional materials, training, coaching, ongoing support, and online and family resources

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Reading 360 Plan Components



TRAINING & COACHING

Provide additional support for both teachers in classrooms and future teachers around literacy instruction



IMPLEMENTATION NETWORKS

Establish and fund regional district networks focused on literacy and high quality materials



ONLINE TOOL

Feature video-based lessons, teacher implementation supports, at-home family reading resources, and leader guidance documents



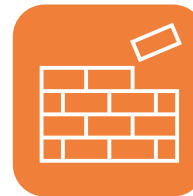
CONNECTED LITERACY

Provide 13,000+ students and their families with microgrants for early literacy tutoring



EPP & LPP INNOVATIONS

Support for educator and leader preparation providers in developing new courses and content



CORE SUPPORTS

Provide district leaders with support for implementation and establishment of systems across 8 CORE regions



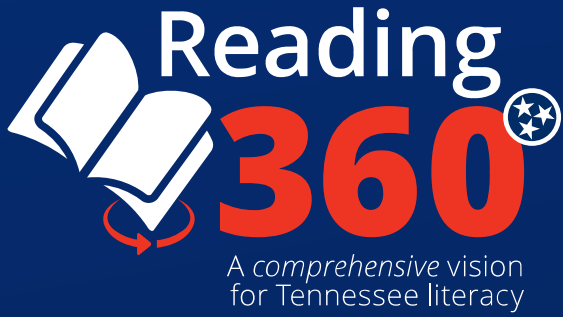
ASSESSMENT OF LITERACY

Connect teachers, leaders, and parents to resources, tools, and data using early grade literacy screener and information system



PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Build and foster partnerships across the state to elevate awareness and promote broader engagement

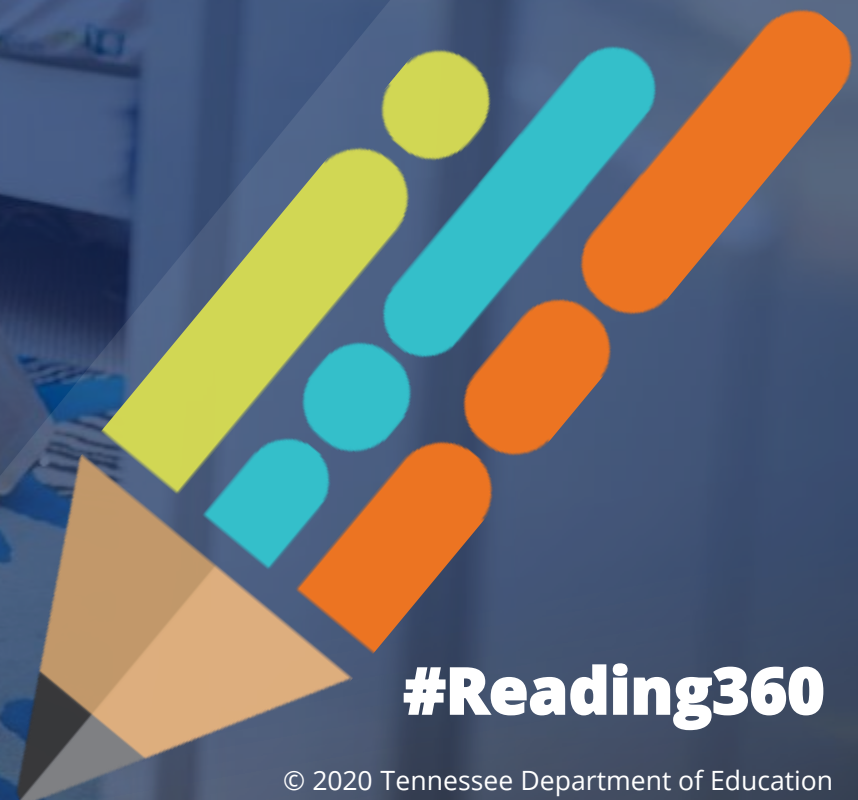


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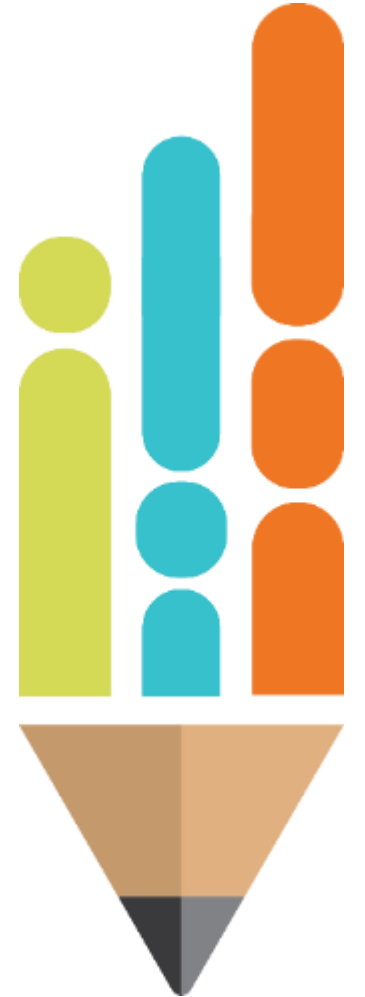
*“Fill your house with stacks of books,
in all the crannies and all the nooks.”
— Dr. Seuss*



Families as Stakeholders

Family Literacy Night Purpose and Intent:

- To engage families and the community as partners in early literacy.
- To build a toolkit of turnkey resources for districts with opportunities for district customization



Family Literacy Night Toolkits



Five Family Literacy Nights were held across the state in June and July

- Metro Nashville Schools of Innovation
- The Memphis Lift
- United We READ, an initiative of the United Way Greater Kingsport
- The Salvation Army
- The Tennessee Branch of the International Dyslexia Association

Presenters included

- Community organization representative
- Teacher
- Instructional coach
- District leader
- TDOE representative

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