



# TENNESSEE

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION

**SCHOOL OPERATIONS  
& PRE-OPENING  
UPDATES**

**MARCH 31, 2022**

# ENROLLMENT

School	October ADM	February ADM
Bluff City High School	490	463
KIPP Antioch College Prep Elementary	555	544
KIPP Antioch College Prep Middle	389	392
Nashville Collegiate Prep	326	309



# DISTRICT TRENDS

- Spring Assessment Oversight
  - Assessment Windows:
    - April 19-29 (Grades 3-5)
    - April 19-May 3 (Grades 6-8)
    - April 19-May 6 (EOCs)
- Teacher Vacancy/Certification
  - Seen some improvements across the portfolio
  - Beginning to focus schools on hiring for SY22-23 and prioritizing licensure
- Special Populations
  - Seen compliance improvements across the portfolio
  - Support staff turnover impacting some schools



# SITE VISITS

- The Commission staff has completed annual site visits for:
  - KIPP Antioch Collegiate Prep Middle School - February 22nd
  - Bluff City High School - February 23-25th
  - KIPP Antioch Collegiate Prep Elementary School - March 2nd
  - Nashville Collegiate Prep - March 22nd
- Bluff City High School is in its interim review year which includes a high-stakes site visit. This interim site visit included:
  - Extended visit - 2 full days
  - Additional meeting with the leadership and CMO examining data over the last 5 years.
  - Longer classroom observations (30 minutes)
  - Additional stakeholder interviews
- At the conclusion of the interim review process, the Commission will provide the school with an overall rating indicating if the school is progressing toward renewal.



# SITE VISIT TRENDS

- Overall trends:
  - Proficiency rates are showing promising growth through school internal assessments.
  - All schools are providing safe communities where students can learn. All students and families reported feeling welcome and having adults they can trust.
  - Staffing continues to be a going concern given the nation-wide teacher shortage, and many schools have experienced turnover with staff and leadership positions.
  - Chronic absenteeism also continues to be a challenge for all schools with the return to in-person school.



# PRE-OPENING UPDATES

- The Commission staff provide monthly trainings during the pre-opening process. The following trainings have been conducted:
  - January - Authorizing and Ongoing Monitoring, What to Expect
  - February - Enrollment and Data Management
  - March - Grants and Funding
- Due to challenges in acquiring a facility, Rutherford Collegiate Prep has opted to delay opening until next school year (2023/2024).



# PRE-OPENING UPDATES

- All schools have submitted all materials on time for deadlines and all schools are on track to open next year.
- The Commission is working collaboratively with schools regarding their student information systems and enrollment projections.
- The ASD transition process is also running smoothly with documentation being shared and processes being transferred to the Commission as district.





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