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The New Tennessee Electronic Transcript Exchange  
System

# Background

- Since 2006, XAP files were used to produce student transcripts
  - Process was tedious and not user friendly
  - Resulted in a PDF transcript that needed to be printed out
  - No truly secure channel to send electronically
  - School counselors spent too much time on this process
- Tennessee decided it was time for a change
  - The National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) was selected in competitive bid process to be our vendor
  - NSC is the largest provider of electronic transcript services in the nation

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# Benefits of Using the Transcript Exchange

- Standard exchange of Tennessee transcript data in simple layout
- Transcripts are easier to track
- Data and pdf files can be transmitted; additional documents can be added to the electronic transcript
- Additional data elements can be added to the transcript over time
- Technical support and platform provided by a national leader in this industry
- Secure file transfer and will be compatible with all student information systems and e\*GRandS (if SSN is provided)
- **Free to all TN secondary and postsecondary schools**

# Release 1.0 – May 2016

- Release 1.0 was the initial rollout of the Tennessee Transcript Center (TTC) for 11 pilot high schools.
- Provides a way for TN high schools or districts to get student data into the TTC
  - Data provided to e\*GRandS for the Lottery Scholarships
  - Transcripts sent to post secondary institutions, employers and other requestors

# e\*GRandS and TTC SUCCESS!

- Pilot ended Fall 2016 and schools were moved to production
- e\*GRandS and Transcript output confirmed and working
- Currently, **219 high schools** are under agreement to use the Tennessee Electronic Transcript Exchange
  - **51%** of public high schools are covered
  - Over **60%** of public high schools students are covered
- Over 68 counties/school districts represented

# Moving Forward

- On-board TN postsecondary institutions to receive transcripts
  - Successful pilot with Pellissippi State CC
- Move on-boarded high schools to use the Tennessee Transcript Center via the Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council (PESC) standard data format
- Continue to encourage high schools and postsecondary institutions across the state to sign up for the service

# Higher Education Participation and Next Steps

- **46 higher education institutions** are receiving transcripts from high schools either electronically or via NSC's printing service.
  - THEC is currently reaching out to institutions receiving printed transcripts to sign up for the electronic system
- Higher education institutions can sign up for the Tennessee Electronic Transcript Exchange (TETE) here: <https://studentclearinghouse.info/tn/>
  - This page will allow you to indicate your interest in TETE, transcript services and sending and/or receiving transcripts from TN high schools
  - Completed interest forms will direct an email to the K-20 inbox (at NSC) so schools can be set up, tracked and supported
  - All inquiries will be passed to Paul Taylor (NSC Representative) to begin work with the schools to send/receive transcripts

# Next Steps

- Focus on exchange between higher education institutions, batch exchanges
- Review transcript needs in HE
- Pursue integration with TNReconnect.gov and Tennessee Reverse Transfer Solution



# Regional Meetings

- Sponsored by THEC and the National Student Clearinghouse
- Regional meetings are designed to provide all K-12 and postsecondary institutions an opportunity to learn how to securely exchange transcripts via the Tennessee Electronic Transcript Exchange

**Knoxville – March 28**

**Nashville – March 29**

**Memphis – March 30**

## Agenda

10:00: Coffee Welcome and Kickoff

10:30: Moving Forward with the Drive to 55

11:00: The Tennessee Electronic Transcript Exchange and You

12:00: Networking Lunch

1:00: Break-out Sessions and Table Workshops

2:00: Closing and Next Steps

**For information regarding registration, please contact: [Troy.Grant@tn.gov](mailto:Troy.Grant@tn.gov)**



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**THANK YOU!  
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