

Seven Things You Need to Know About TNReady Math

1.

TNReady will assess students' knowledge of both basic and problem-solving skills to ensure they are prepared for success after graduation.

TNReady will assess our state math standards. Academic standards provide a common set of expectations for what students should know and be able to do at the end of a grade. You can find the math standards here: <http://www.tn.gov/education/standards/math.shtml>.

2.

TNReady will give students and parents clear information about whether students are on track to graduate from high school and be successful in college or the workplace.

Students who do well on TNReady will be prepared for college-level classes.

3.

TNReady will replace the state's multiple choice only test in math and will include a variety of questions.

TNReady will include: questions that measure ease of using basic math skills, interactive questions where students graph an equation or draw a line, and questions that ask students to show their work.

4.

TNReady will ask students to solve multi-step problems, many without using a calculator, to show what they know.

Calculators are important tools for college and career readiness. However, students must also be able to demonstrate some basic math skills without the use of a calculator.

5.

TNReady will be given two separate times during the school year: Part I and Part II.

Part I will be administered in February or March and Part II in April or May. Students will receive a single score for math that combines performance on Part I and Part II following the end of the school year. Part I questions will ask students to show their work and explain their reasoning whereas Part II will require less open-ended questions.

6.

Local schools and school systems will have greater flexibility in scheduling TNReady.

TNReady will be administered to students as part of their regular classroom schedule. Students will only take the assessment for a few days within the testing window, minimizing interference with teaching and learning in classrooms.

7.

TNReady will be administered online to reflect the skills students need to be successful in the real world.

If districts need additional time to become online ready, a paper-pencil back up option will be available based on readiness.