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Instructional Goals and **Objectives**

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Knox County Schools will provide an educational program designed to help each student be college and career ready upon graduation from high school. Through implementation of the Tennessee State Standards, students will be able to:

- read a variety of complex text, both literary and informational, to build knowledge, gain insights, explore possibilities and broaden their perspective;
- communicate complex information in a clear and articulate manner using effective oral, written and media skills:
- develop conceptual understanding, procedural skill and fluency, and application skills in mathematics and science to solve complex real world issues and problems;
- participate effectively in civic life with a solid understanding of world geography, economics, history and finance;
- develop positive habits that support good physical, mental, social and emotional well-being;
- appreciate and participate in the arts;
- pursue the acquisition of world languages;
- effectively use current and emerging technologies to access, manage and create information;
- build career awareness in elementary school, engage in career exploration in middle school, and experience community-connected learning in high school;
- develop a plan in 8th grade for a high school experience that aligns to their career goals and aspirations;
- and adjust the plan in 10th grade to plan for the first two years after high school graduation;
- think creatively and work collaboratively with others;
- demonstrate flexibility, adaptability, initiative and self-direction;
- demonstrate a commitment to lifelong learning and personal excellence; and
- develop the 21st century skills necessary for a successful transition to college and/or career as identified in the 865 Ready Portrait of a Graduate.