

Hello Evaluation Configurators:

Headlines:

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Key Deadlines for May ([TEAM Timeline](#))

*Be sure to check the [TEAM website](#) regularly for updates.

Date	Action	Owner	Resources	Contact
May 9, 2025	Deadline to submit portfolios into online platform has been extended.	Portfolio Leads Teachers	Portfolio Resources	Portfolio.Questions@tn.gov
May 8, 2025	Evaluation Flexibility Options Open	Evaluation Configurators	2024-25 Evaluation Flexibility Guidance	TEAM.Questions@tn.gov
June 2, 2025	Evaluator Certification Trainings open for 2025-26 school year.	Administrators, Supervisors, Evaluators	TEAM Training	TEAM.Questions@tn.gov

TEAM Resource Spotlight

TEAM Resources Added
<p>TNCompass Evaluation Data Management Guide provides guidance and directions for entering data into TNCompass.</p> <p>Educator Effectiveness Team Support Feedback Survey As part of our ongoing commitment to excellence, the Educator Effectiveness Team invites you to share your valuable feedback with us. Your insights play a crucial role in shaping our evaluation support services and ensuring they meet your needs effectively. Please take a few moments to complete our feedback survey. Your responses will help us identify areas of strength and opportunities for growth, ultimately enhancing the support we provide to you.</p> <p>Additionally, we kindly ask you to forward the survey link to any other relevant stakeholders within your network. The more voices we hear, the better we can tailor our support to meet the diverse needs of our educational community.</p>

Please complete the survey by **July 1, 2025**, to ensure that your feedback is included in our analysis and planning processes.

Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to TEAM.Questions@tn.gov.

TNCompass Resource Spotlight

TNCompass Resources

The annual Evaluation Flexibility Options will open **in TNCompass** on **May 8, 2025**. This information dictates the configuration of TNCompass for districts and charters for the 2025-26 school year. Evaluation Flexibility Options Guidance document can be found [here](#). The guidance provides additional information about evaluation options.

Users staffed as superintendent, superintendent designee, or evaluation configurator in TNCompass can access the option selections by navigating to the Administration tab and selecting the *LEA Settings* tile.

LEA contacts will be collected through this process, as well. The department uses these responses to communicate with and provide support to districts and charters throughout the state.

LEA Contacts will be submitted by clicking on *LEA Contacts* tile.

Evaluation Flexibility Options and LEA contacts must be completed **no later than June 13 at 5p.m. CT**. Only one submission should be completed per district/charter. The director of schools must finalize the submission via electronic signature by adding his/her personal identification number (PIN).

Office hours will be offered on May 8, May 20 and June 5 at 10:00 a.m. CST to support districts and charters in completing the options. This will be an opportunity to ask questions and discuss options. [Click here to join the meeting](#).

With questions, please contact TEAM.Questions@tn.gov.

Office Hours

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation Configurator Office Hour, Thursday, May 8, 2025, 10:00 a.m. CT Click here to join the meeting Portfolio Lead Office Hour, Thursday, May 22, 2025, 1:00 p.m. CT Click here to join the meeting

Educator Recognition

Recognition
<p>Exemplary Educator Program - The department is pursuing recommendations for the Exemplary Educator Program, a bank of emerging classroom leaders, including teachers, principals, assistant principals, and specialists, that represent the best of the Tennessee teaching profession. These educators may be considered for membership on advisory boards and task forces, featured on department communication channels, and are potential candidates for state and national recognition programs. However, we cannot recognize these exceptional educators without your help!</p> <p>The department seeks to identify top educators who are of great value to your community and our state. We hope to identify distinguished teachers and leaders whose lessons and instructional practices serve as a model for others and are considered amongst the highest quality in our schools. All recommended educators must have a minimum of five years of experience. Classroom teachers recognized by peers and supervisors as unique in leadership qualities and who garner results with students are of particular interest. Principals, assistant principals, or specialists that personify these qualities may also be submitted. Because the department is already aware of educators that have participated in previous recognition programs, we are uniquely interested in recommendations for educators that have <i>not</i> been previously recognized.</p> <p>If you know of a fantastic educator who embodies these characteristics, please take a few minutes to complete the recommendation form. Recommendations will be accepted and reviewed on an ongoing basis until June 23. Districts/schools can submit the form more than once if recommending multiple educators. After the department reviews your submission, you may be contacted by department personnel for additional information to better match the educator to talent pool opportunities. Please note that this is a confidential process. Individuals should not be aware of this recommendation until contacted personally by the department.</p>



All monthly evaluation configurator emails can be found on the [TEAM website](#). To see past emails, visit the homepage and scroll down to "Monthly Emails."

Thank you for all that you do to support Tennessee's students and teachers!

Best,



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