

LSS RESOLUTION 2015/12-1
A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE USE OF TNREADY DATA FOR TEACHER
EVALUATIONS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2015-2016

- WHEREAS,** The Lakeland Board of Education is responsible for providing a local system of public education; and
- WHEREAS,** The State of Tennessee, through the work of the Tennessee General Assembly, the Tennessee Department of Education, the State Board of Education and local school boards, has established nationally recognized standards and measures for accountability in public education; and
- WHEREAS,** All school systems in Tennessee have been granted one-time flexibility in the 2015-2016 school year to choose not to integrate TNReady Quick Scores into students' final grades, due to an anticipated delay in assessment results; and
- WHEREAS,** This is the first year for the TNReady assessment; and
- WHEREAS,** TNReady is not a comparable assessment to TCAP; and
- WHEREAS,** The TNReady assessment requires the use of technology and the State of Tennessee BEP funding does not meet the needs of the Lakeland School System district; and
- WHEREAS,** A significant percentage of Lakeland teachers do not produce individual TVAAS data; and
- WHEREAS,** The Lakeland Board of Education believes delaying the use of the data produced by these new tests would benefit our teachers and students, and build confidence in the state's new assessment process;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Lakeland School System, Lakeland, Tennessee that the Lakeland Board of Education strongly urges the General Assembly and the State Board of Education to provide a waiver from utilizing the TNReady data for the use of teacher evaluations for the school year 2015-2016;

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Lakeland, Tennessee on this 14th day of December, 2015.

Kevin Floyd, *Board Chairman*

Ted Horrell, *Superintendent*

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ATTEST

Linda Milhouse
LSS Board Secretary