

### Education Research



#### Non-degree Credentials Primer

*(September 2025)*

The Non-degree Credentials Primer defines the term *non-degree credentials*, compares the different types, and includes information about the providers of such credentials. An animated video is included.

[tncot.cc/NDCprimer](https://tncot.cc/NDCprimer)



#### Tennessee Education Glossary: Third Edition

*(March 2026)*

Over 200 entries in the Tennessee Education Glossary have been updated for 2026. The glossary provides legislators and the general public with an easy-to-use reference guide to common education terms from prekindergarten to higher education.

[tncot.cc/glossary2026](https://tncot.cc/glossary2026)



#### Credit Recovery in Tennessee High Schools

*(October 2025)*

This report examines how credit recovery is administered in districts across the state, the number of students involved, the credit recovery vendors used by districts, and other matters.

[tncot.cc/creditrecovery](https://tncot.cc/creditrecovery)



#### Tennessee Reconnect Grant Evaluation

*(May 2026)*

State law requires OREA to evaluate the effectiveness of the Tennessee Reconnect Grant every four years. This is OREA's second evaluation; the first was published in 2022.

[tncot.cc/reconnect](https://tncot.cc/reconnect)



#### Education Savings Account (ESA) Evaluation

*(January 2026)*

This statutorily required evaluation examines data from the first three years of Tennessee's ESA program. The report covers student and school participation, participating students' TCAP scores, parent and school satisfaction and feedback, and more.

[tncot.cc/ESA](https://tncot.cc/ESA)



#### Tennessee Investment in Student Achievement (TISA)

*(May 2026)*

In May 2026, OREA updated TISA infographics related to direct, weighted, and outcomes funding to reflect 2025-26 school year funding levels. Each infographic provides an overview of the funding component and then details how statewide funding was allocated to each component. [tncot.cc/TISAinfo](https://tncot.cc/TISAinfo)

### Other Research



#### Judicial Weighted Caseload Study

*(February 2026)*

In February 2026, OREA published the first judicial weighted caseload study since 2020. The study uses updated case weights, which were finalized in 2025, following a statewide judicial time study. A map showing results for each of the state's 32 judicial districts is also available. [tncot.cc/JWC](https://tncot.cc/JWC)



#### State Benefits and Services for Veterans

*(March 2026)*

This publication is a comprehensive catalog of state benefits and services for veterans and their families. To create the catalog, OREA contacted 48 state government agencies and ultimately identified 25 that provide such benefits and services.

[tncot.cc/veterans](https://tncot.cc/veterans)

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[tncot.cc/orea](https://tncot.cc/orea)