Tennessee Connections Academy-Johnson, 4-8

School District: Johnson County
School Year: 2024-2025

Virtual School Monitoring Report

School District's Overall Designation and Findings

Each year, school districts across Tennessee monitor the instructional, financial, and operational practices within their virtual schools using a state-defined series of common practices and requirements. This report reflects the school district's designation of the virtual school's academic, operational, and financial viability.

The school district determined that the virtual school is:

x Meeting Expectations	☐ Approaching Expectations	☐ Below Expectations

During the annual monitoring process, the school district identified areas of strength and areas that need strengthened within the virtual school. The school district has summarized these monitoring findings below.

School's Strengths:	Tennessee Connections Academy has added a mental health counselor position to help students in their program. This will allow students another option for mental health services. The special education program has added the Kaufman Test of Educational Achievement (KTEA) before each special education student's annual IEP meeting to measure student progress and to determine specific areas of deficits to ensure that appropriate IEP goals are written for each student.
School's Notable Areas for Improvement:	The monitoring team believes that Tennessee Connections Academy needs to continue to make improvements to the crafting of student IEP's for compliance monitoring standards.

School's State Report Card

Families and community members deserve accessible, understandable information about Tennessee schools. Currently, the State Report Card includes a dashboard of detailed, easy-to-understand information about the key indicators families can use to understand school and district performance, including achievement, growth, attendance, English learners' proficiency in English, graduation rate, and postsecondary readiness of students. Information about schools and districts, including student enrollment, contact information, staff information, school and district expenditures and funding, and longitudinal data on student performance over the past four years. State-level data is also provided as a reference to understand how schools and districts are performing in comparison with others across the state.

School's Tennessee State Report Card	*https://tdepublicschools.ondemand.sas.com/school/004600042*

School's Improvement Plan

Each year, school and district leaders complete a school improvement plan (SIP). Each public virtual school has created a SIP that outlines goals and strategies used to improve student academic success. The link below allows families to review the SIP for the virtual school.

School's Annual Improvement Plan	*https://edplan.tn.gov/public/plans/15489/*

Operational Information

School Name: Tennessee Connections Academy-Johnson 4-8

Years In Operation: 5

Total Current Enrollment: 1487

Grades Served: 4-8

Date that the school begins accepting enrollment applications: 1st Semester-April 1st, 2nd Semester-October 15th

Date that the school stops accepting enrollment applications: 1st Semester-September 30th, 2nd Semester-January 31st

School's Website	https://www.connectionsacademy.com/tennessee-online-school/

Enrollment Types Accepted:
Choose all that apply
See appendix for definitions of terms

☒In-district   ☒ Out-of-district   ☒State-wide

Primary Instructional Model by Grade:
Choose all that apply
See appendix for definitions of terms

K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☒ Asynchronous ☒ Synchronous ☒ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☒ Asynchronous ☒ Synchronous ☒ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid

6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
☒ Asynchronous ☒ Synchronous ☒ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☒ Asynchronous ☒ Synchronous ☒ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☒ Asynchronous ☒ Synchronous ☒ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid	☐ Asynchronous ☐ Synchronous ☐ Bisynchronous ☐ Hybrid

Appendix: Definitions of Terms

Enrollment Types	Explanation
In-district Enrollment	Enrollment option for students who reside within the zone of residency of the school district that established the virtual school.
Out-of-district Enrollment	Enrollment option for students who reside within a contiguous county, municipality, or city outside the zone of residency of the school district establishing the virtual school.
State-wide Enrollment	Enrollment option for students who reside within Tennessee and outside the zone of residency of the school district that established the virtual school.

Instructional Model	Explanation
Asynchronous Virtual Instruction	An instructional model that provides students access to on-demand instruction that is fully virtual/online. This model allows students to access instructional materials and progress at their own pace and does not require students to attend regularly scheduled (daily/every other day) virtual classes with a teacher.
Bisynchronous Virtual Instruction	An instructional model that utilizes both asynchronous and synchronous virtual instruction.
Hybrid Virtual Instruction	An instructional model that provides students access to virtual instruction and requires students to periodically attend class in-person within a brick-and-mortar location.
Synchronous Virtual Instruction	An instructional model that provides scheduled, teacher supervised instruction that is fully virtual/online. This model of instruction does require students to attend regularly scheduled (daily/every other day) virtual classes with a teacher.