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TECH'S COLLEGE OF EDUCATION JOINS THE *LEAD IN LITERACY NETWORK*

We are proud to announce that Tennessee Tech has accepted an invitation to participate as **one of four Educator Preparation Programs in the Lead In Literacy Network.**



The network is convened by the **State Collaborative on Reforming Education (SCORE)**, a non-partisan, non-profit organization with a mission to bring about transformative change in Tennessee education so all students can achieve success.

This group of four Educator Preparation Providers (EPPs) and four Local Education Agencies (LEAs) are **working together to develop solutions for increasing access to strong early literacy/reading instruction for all students in the state.** Other network EPPs include Belmont, Lipscomb, and the University of Tennessee.

“Tech’s College of Education has **historically championed literacy and reading comprehension skills** in all academic disciplines in our educator preparation programs,” said Lisa Zagumny, Dean. “Our dedicated faculty excel in creating meaningful and research-based experiences for emerging educators.”



Together EPP and LEA partners are working to:

- 1) construct** a shared/comprehensive vision for literacy instruction;
- 2) build** EPP candidate literacy knowledge, skills, and high-quality instructional materials;
- 3) ensure** best practices from these efforts improve support for both multi-lingual and neuro-diverse learners.

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