

Tennessee's Most Effective

2008 • Top 20% • Elementary/Middle Divisions

Best in raising individual student achievement

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These charts rank all Tennessee schools on how effective they are in raising individual student achievement. They are based on data from the Tennessee Value-Added Assessment System (TVAAS), the nation's most sophisticated accountability system. TVAAS was pioneered at the University of Tennessee and implemented by the Tennessee Department of Education in 1992.

Two Hardin County elementary schools are among the highest performers in the state:

- Walker Elementary (ranked at #25 out of 755)
- West Hardin Elementary (ranked at #118 out of 755)

They will each receive a certificate recognizing them as a "Most Effective School in 2008" from the Education Consumers Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving the interests of education's consumers. Please join us in recognizing their accomplishment.

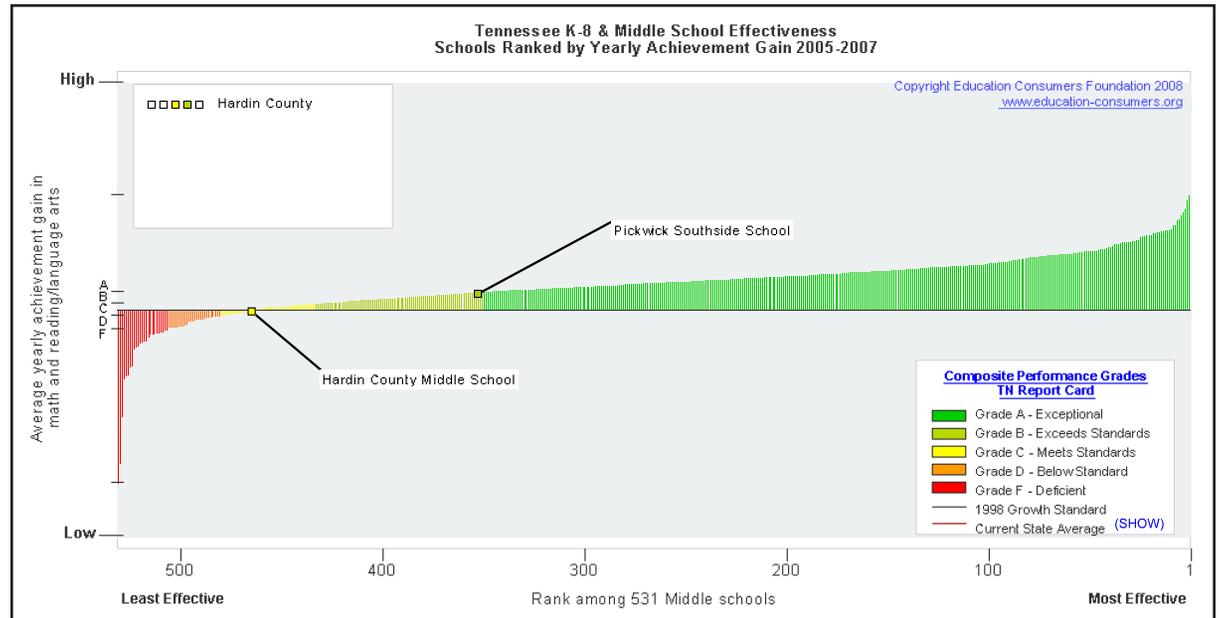
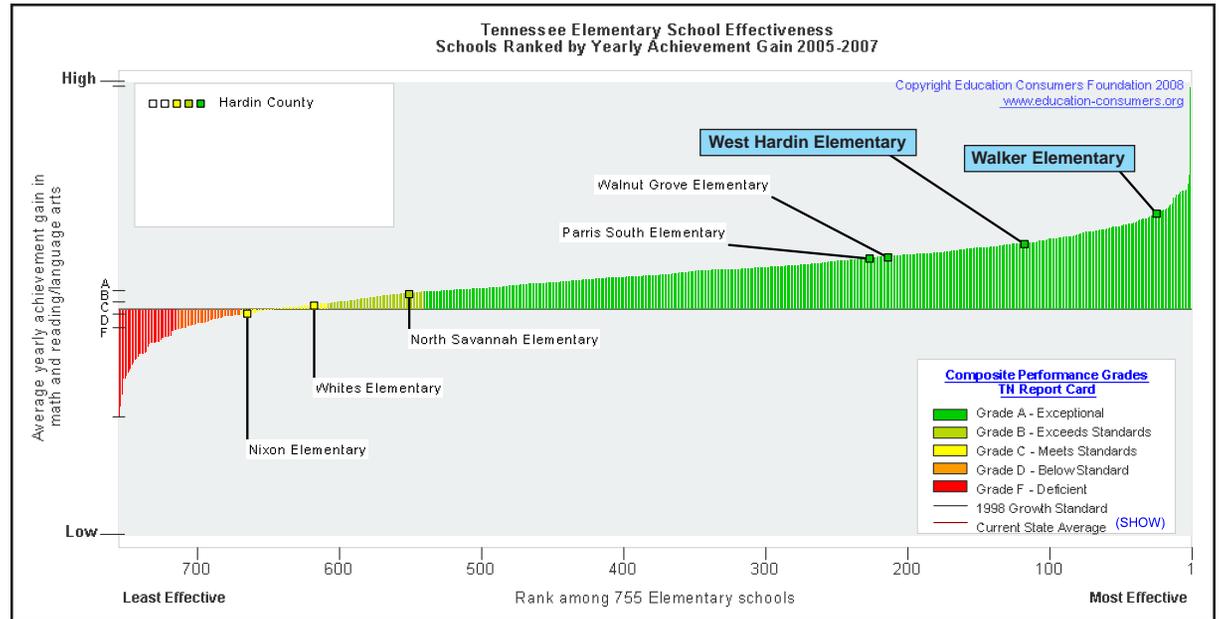
TVAAS is now a national model--adopted by Ohio and Pennsylvania and recommended by the U.S. Department of Education. Achievement test averages and other indicators are often used as measures of school quality but none are as important as TVAAS scores. They show how much each school is helping its students "be all they can be."

To learn more about school effectiveness - including which other Tennessee schools are doing a superior job and what makes them effective - please visit the Tennessee Project section of our website at www.education-consumers.org.



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