The Road to Effectiveness Begins at Carson-Newman

Core Academic Skills for Educators

Candidates for a Tennessee teaching license are required to demonstrate basic academic competencies. One of the common standardized tests utilized is the Core Academic Skills for Educators. These tests measure competency in Reading, Writing, and Math. Carson-Newman students who are admitted to the Teacher Education Program score well above the required qualifying score on all of these competencies.

Student teachers at Carson-Newman complete two work samples to demonstrate their impact on P-12 student achievement. The work sample is a unit of instruction with pre- and post-assessment data collected and analyzed for each P-12 student in the candidate’s classroom, as well as for the overall class. The data provided show the ratings of the faculty members evaluating the student work samples, compared to the rubric for the work sample.

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Teaching Effectiveness of CN Graduates as Compared to all TN teachers

% at Level 4: Above Average Effectiveness and Level 5: Most Effective
(Based on TCAP scores for grades 3 through 8 as taken from the 2014 TVAAS Data)

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