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# IB FACT SHEET: TENNESSEE

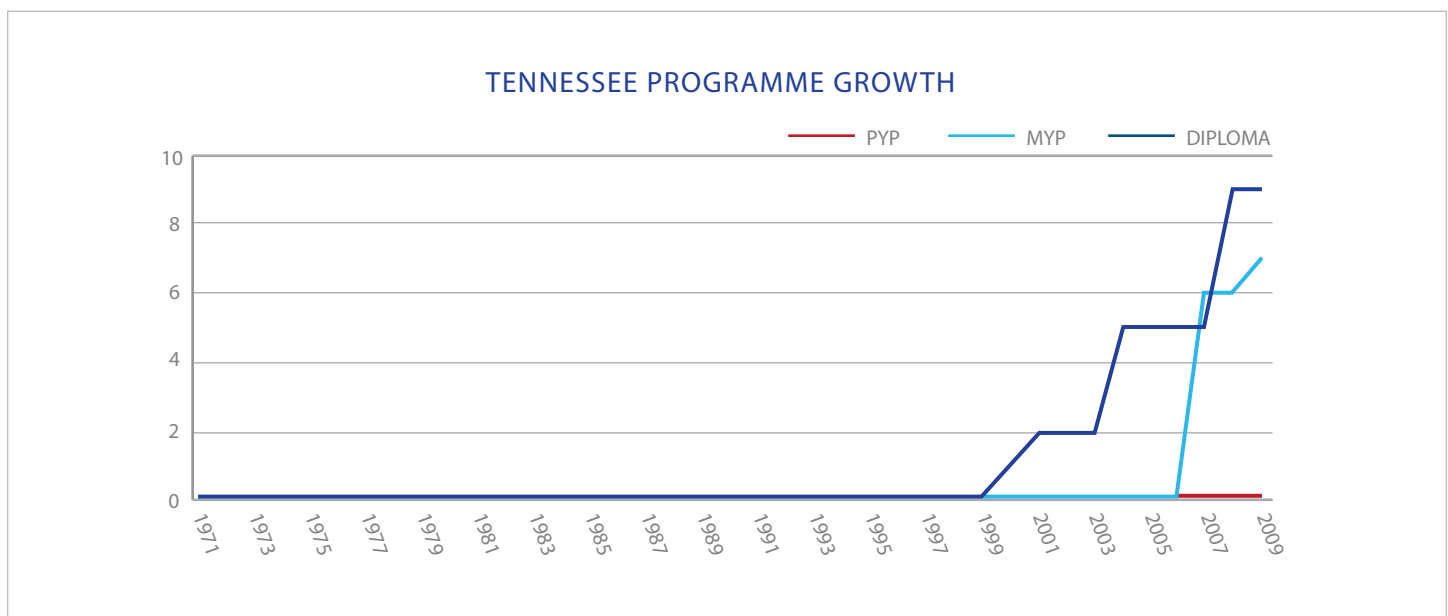
## *A Dynamic Presence: Growth and Location of IB World Schools*

### *When were the first IB programmes authorized in Tennessee, and at which schools?*

- The first IB Diploma Programme (DP) was authorized in 2000 at Franklin High School, a public school in Franklin.
- The first IB Middle Years Programmes (MYP) were authorized in 2007 at six public schools in Nashville, Goodlettsville and Madison.
- No Primary Years Programmes (PYP) have been authorized in Tennessee.

### *How has the IB grown in the state?*

- In Tennessee, IB programmes have expanded rapidly over the past three years, more than tripling since 2007.



### *How many IB World Schools are present in the state today, and which programmes do they implement?*

- There are currently 16 IB World Schools in Tennessee implementing 17 IB programmes (Hunters Lane Comprehensive High School in Nashville implements both the MYP and the DP).
- The DP accounts for 10 of these programmes (59%), while the MYP accounts for the remaining 41%.
- In the US overall, there are 684 DP, accounting for 64% of all IB programmes; there are 323 MYP (30% of the total), and 194 PYP (18% of the total).

### How many IB World Schools are public schools?

- All IB World Schools in Tennessee are public except for Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis, which is private.
- In the US overall, 91% of IB World Schools are public.

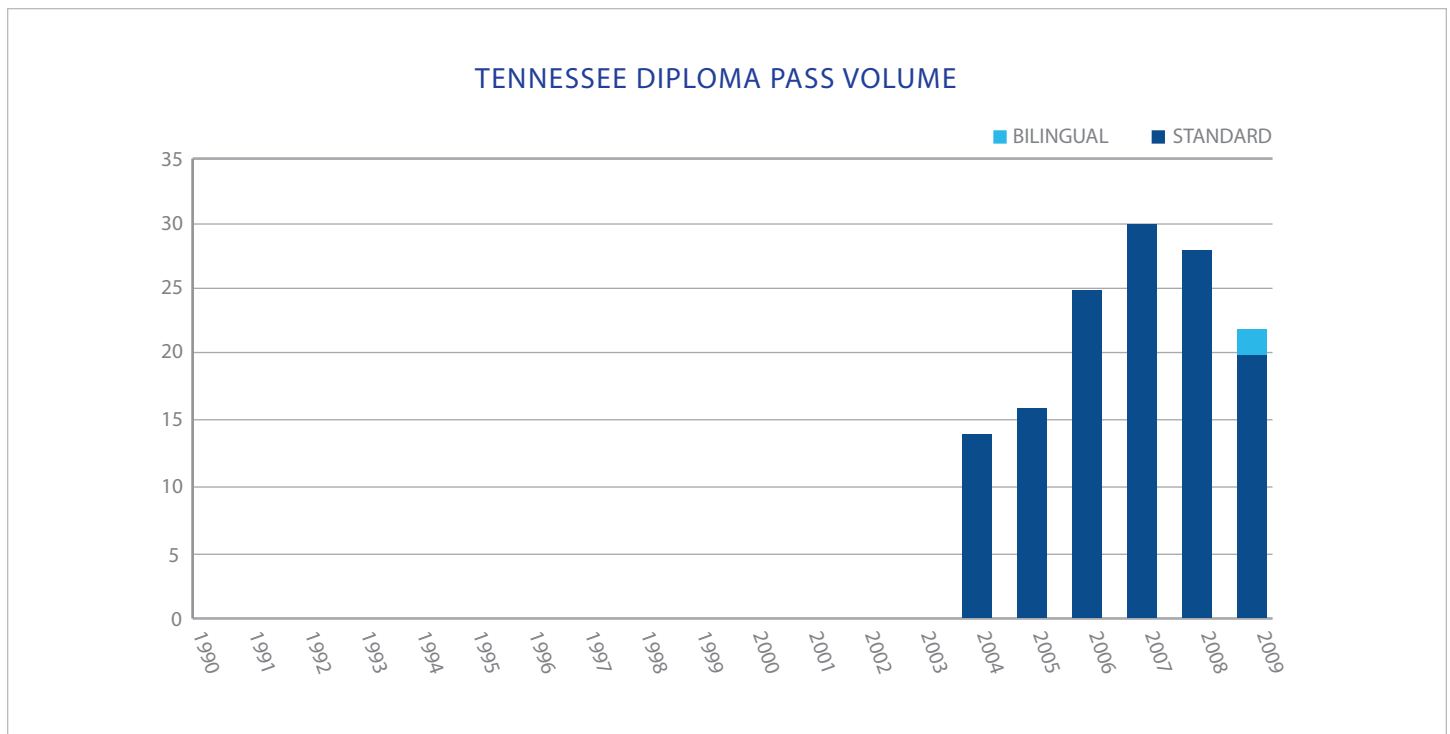
### Where are IB World Schools located?

- The two cities with the largest number of IB World Schools are Nashville and Memphis (with 7 and 2 schools, respectively).
- More than half (56%) of all IB World Schools are located in these two cities.
- The other half are in Cookeville, Franklin, Germantown, Goodlettsville, Johnson City, Madison and Murfreesboro (one school in each).

## A Record of Success: Profile of Academic Performance

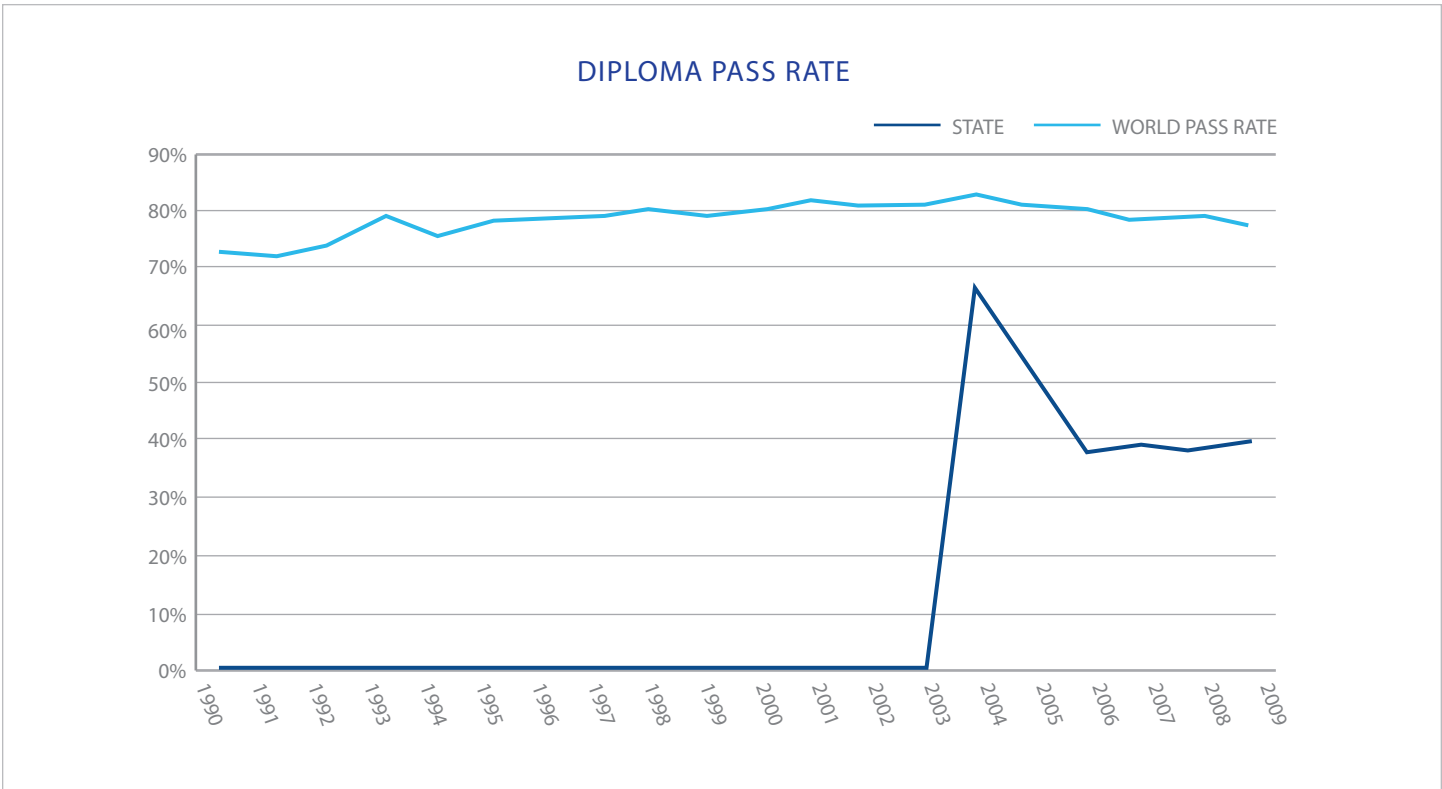
### How many IB exams have been taken in Tennessee, and how successful are students in passing these exams?

- The total number of IB exams taken in Tennessee has more than tripled over the past five years. In May 2009, there were 297 IB candidates, and 556 IB exams were taken.
- In May 2009, 64% of all IB exam takers in Tennessee obtained grades of 4 or above; in the US overall, 75% did so.



### How successful have Tennessee IB students been in obtaining the IB Diploma?

- The total number of IB Diplomas awarded in Tennessee increased steadily until 2007 and has declined since then. In May 2009, 22 IB Diplomas were awarded; 2 of these were Bilingual Diplomas, awarded for the first time in the state.
- The proportion of all Diploma candidates in Tennessee that have successfully obtained one declined between 2004 and 2006, and has remained above 36% since then.



- In May 2009, the Diploma pass rate in Tennessee was 39%, while the overall US pass rate was 69%, and the world one was 79%.
- In May 2009, Tennessee students' average score on the Diploma was 23 out of 45; the US average score was 27, and the world one was 29.5.