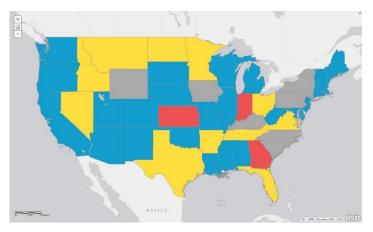**Justin P. Wilson, Comptroller**

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Comptroller's Map Depicts States' Experiences with K-12 Online Testing

The Comptroller's Office of Research and Education Accountability (OREA) has created a new interactive map that provides information about online testing experiences in all 50 states.

States are color-coded on the map according to whether they had significant technical issues in the first or second years of online assessments, whether they had minor or no technical issues, or whether they have yet to begin online testing.

By clicking on a state, viewers can see the year the state began online testing, the vendor and assessment used, a brief account of any technical issues, and how these issues affected accountability measures for districts, schools, and teachers.

The Comptroller's Office limited its review of states' online testing systems to include only those tests required by federal law. The federally-required tests include English Language Arts and mathematics for grades 3-8 and high school.

Tennessee was scheduled to implement new online tests in mathematics and English Language Arts for grades 3-8 and high school for the 2015-16 school year. On the first day of testing, the vendor's network failed and students were unable to complete tests online. The state then switched to paper tests, but these were not delivered to all schools on schedule and testing was ultimately suspended for grades 3-8, though testing at high schools continued as scheduled.

Tennessee and other states continue to make changes to their K-12 standards, assessments and accountability systems. The Comptroller's online map reflects information captured as of May 31, 2016.

Find the map on the Comptroller's website at http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/OREA/PublicationMaps

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