



# Charting Success

BUSINESS PEERS RANK TENNESSEE TOPS!



★ **TENNESSEE - TOP FIVE STATE TO DO BUSINESS**  
*Site Selection Magazine*

★ **TENNESSEE - TOP TEN STATE FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS**  
*Chief Executive Magazine*

★ **TENNESSEE - TOP TEN STATE IN LEGISLATIVE QUOTIENT RANKINGS**  
*Expansion Management Magazine*

★ **TENNESSEE - LOWEST STATE & LOCAL TAXES IN THE NATION**  
*Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation*

★ **SOUTH - BEST REGIONAL ECONOMY IN THE COUNTRY**  
*Fox News/Bureau of Labor Statistics*

★ **HOTTEST CITY FOR EXPANSION AND RELOCATION**  
*Expansion Management*

- #1 Nashville MSA
- #16 Knoxville MSA
- #18 Memphis MSA

★ **BEST CITIES FOR DOING BUSINESS IN AMERICA**  
*Inc. magazine*

- #18 Knoxville (overall)
- #19 Nashville (large city category)
- #21 Memphis (large city category)
- #31 Chattanooga (medium city category)

★ **LEADING MICROPOLITANS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
*Site Selection*

- Dyersburg
- Humboldt
- Cookeville
- Paris
- Athens
- Tullahoma

★ **BEST PLACE FOR BUSINESS OR A CAREER**  
*Forbes/Milliken Institute*

- #17 Knoxville MSA
- #31 Nashville MSA

★ **BEST PLACE IN AMERICA FOR A THRIVING ECONOMY**  
*Business Development Outlook Magazine*

- #10 Nashville

★ **MURFREESBORO - FIRST PLACE FOR NEW JOB GROWTH**  
*Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics*

★ **TRI-CITIES REGION - ALL AMERICAN CITY AWARD**  
*National Civic League*

★ **EDUCATION QUOTIENT GOLD MEDAL**  
*Expansion Management*

Oak Ridge Schools (past eight years running)

★ **5 STAR KNOWLEDGE WORKER METRO**  
*Expansion Management*

- Nashville MSA
- Knoxville MSA

★ **5 STAR QUALITY OF LIFE METRO**  
*Expansion Management*

- Knoxville

★ **5 STAR LOGISTICS METRO**  
*Expansion Management*

- Chattanooga
- Knoxville
- Memphis
- Nashville

