## **BACKGROUND CHECK INSTRUCTIONS**

- Criminal background checks from outside agencies <u>will not be accepted</u>. The background check must be completed through the Office of Teacher Education—<u>NO</u> <u>EXCEPTIONS</u>.
- Please be aware that we <u>do not release</u> copies of background check information. The TBI/FBI does not consider secondary dissemination of background check reports to be current or valid.
- All students entering a practicum/field experience/clinical placement in a public-school setting must complete the following steps to obtain the required criminal background check and fingerprinting:
- 1. Submit the Applicant Privacy Rights Form. <u>https://www.tntech.edu/education/pdf/teachered/tep\_backgroundcheck/Noncriminal\_Justice\_Applica</u> <u>nts\_Privacy\_Rights\_Updated\_June\_2020.pdf</u>
- 2. Submit the VECHS Waiver Agreement Form. <u>https://www.tntech.edu/education/pdf/teachered/tep\_backgroundcheck/VECHS\_Waiver\_Updated\_Ju</u> <u>ne\_5\_2020.pdf</u>

## The TBI will not release your background check results until the Office of Teacher Education submits the completed waiver form with the required information.

## 3. Go to the IdentoGO by MorphoTrust USA Website

- Click "Schedule a New Appointment"
- Enter Service Code: 28TY6K
- Verify you selected "Child-Related Worker Private"
- Enter ORI number: TNCC71018
- Verify you selected Tennessee Tech University
- Check the Acknowledge/Release square
- Enter your zip code where you want to complete your fingerprints
- Schedule your appointment
- Please include <u>YOUR FULL LEGAL</u> name when registering.
- 4. Payment options will be presented at the end of the online registration process (Options: Money Order, eCheck, Cashier's check, Visa or Mastercard).

If your background check results are returned showing a "reason to preclude you as a candidate", a meeting will be required to review and discuss the report. Further action may be taken depending on the severity of the incidents listed.

## WHAT TO BRING:

You will need a State or Federal government-issued photo identification and your registration number. You must also provide either a payment confirmation number or a money order.