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## Mayor Jacobs Interviews KCS Board Chair Kristi Kristy

*KNOXVILLE, Tenn.*— Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs will observe National County Government Month throughout April by sharing videos on Mondays and Wednesdays that highlight local leaders and their duties and responsibilities.

“I think it’s important that folks understand how the different levels of government operate and interact,” Mayor Jacobs said. “All too often we think only of federal government, but state and local government can have an even bigger impact on our lives.”

Today’s video found [here](#), features a discussion with Kristi Kristy, the chair of the 9-member Knox County School board. During the interview the Mayor and Kristy discuss what the school board does and how they work with the state, why Kristy ran for the position, and the impact the new 865 Academy will have on area students.

“Career and technical education are what made me want to run for school board in the first place,” Kristy said. “I think this will help students know what their skill levels are and exposing them to what’s out there.”

The Mayor began the series in an interview with Knox County Commission Chair Courtney Durrett found [here](#). On Wednesday, April 17, the county will post Mayor Jacobs’ interview with Jason Zachary, Tennessee state representative.

All videos will appear on the county and Mayor’s social media platforms. The rest of the schedule is as follows:

- April 19: Becky Duncan Massey, Tennessee state senator
- April 24: Marsha Blackburn: Tennessee U.S. senator
- April 26: Tim Burchett: Tennessee U.S. representative

The Mayor expanded local interviews to include state and federal leaders to provide viewers with a window into public service at even higher levels.

National County Government Month is an annual celebration of county government held each April to promote services and programs while providing insight into what elected officials do and how government works.

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