

Reading Endorsement Options



FLDOE/UF Flamingo Project ~ Literacy Matrix ~ Micro-Credentials

- The Flamingo Literacy Matrix was created by the University of Florida in collaboration with Just Read, Florida! and the Florida Department of Education. It is a no cost option for Florida educators.
- The Flamingo Literacy Project is a competency-based, online professional development system designed to increase the capacity of educators to teach reading effectively, diagnose reading problems, and intervene appropriately using evidence-based methods. External PD needed for inservice points.
- Complete the Literacy Micro-Credential for Competency 1.
- Continue with the Literacy Matrix to complete Competencies 2-5 for a full reading endorsement or a combination of competencies needed.
- Check out:
 - <https://lastinger.center.ufl.edu/work/literacy/flamingo-literacy/literacy-microcredentials/>
 - <https://lastinger.center.ufl.edu/work/literacy/flamingo-literacy/literacy-matrix/>

SDOC Professional Learning Reading Endorsement Courses

- For Comp 1 we suggest you complete the Micro-Credential via UF, see above.
- We offer Comps 2 through 5, in the Fall and Winter semesters. A limited number are offered in the Summer.
- Reading Endorsement courses are to be completed in sequence and require 100% attendance and participation.
- Courses are offered online in Canvas with Live Meetings with a facilitator via TEAMS.
- Coursework includes job-embedded learning opportunities, case studies, assignments, and meeting check-points.
- Register in MyPGS.
- Fall course registration begins the first teacher report back to work day in MyPGS. Classes start the last week in August.
- Winter registration begins in mid November in MyPGS. Classes start in January.
- Courses are offered at no cost to SDOC district and charter instructional personnel.

College/University Partners

- Florida colleges and universities began including reading courses and/or endorsements in their teacher preparation programs after 2006.
- Graduates are encouraged to apply directly to FLDOE to add the reading endorsement to their teaching certificate.
- Continuing education reading endorsement/certification courses are available from many university/college partners.
- Employees are responsible for any costs associated with this option.

Professional Learning Partners

- Complete your reading endorsement at your own pace from approved professional learning partners.
- Visit their webpage for course schedules and registration information.
- Employees are responsible for any costs associated with professional learning partners and must complete the External PD process prior to participation for district approval.
- Approved partners include:
 - FDLRS/PDA offers Differentiating Reading Instruction, Reading Comp 4 as a free online course visit: <https://fl-pla.org/> to register for the course
 - NEFEC: <https://www2.nefec.org/elearning/readingendorsement/>
 - Beacon: <https://www.beaconeducator.com/>
 - Schultz Center: <https://schultzcenter.org/reading/>