



40 Hour Reading Requirement for Certificate Renewal

6A-4.0051 Renewal and Reinstatement of a Professional Certificate-under paragraph (1)(a)

Starting with the 2025 certification renewal year the following certifications will have to complete at least two college credits, 40 in-service points, or a combination of the two in evidence-based instruction and interventions grounded in the science of reading, specifically designed for students with characteristics of dyslexia, including the use of explicit, systematic, and sequential approaches to reading instruction, developing phonological and phonemic awareness, decoding, and implementing multisensory intervention strategies.

These certifications:

- o Elementary Education (K-6)
- o Prekindergarten/Primary Education (age 3 through grade 3)
- o Elementary Education (grades 1-6)
- o Primary Education (grades K-3)
- o Middle Grades English (grades 5-9)
- o Middle Grades Integrated Curriculum (grades 5-9)
- o English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) (grades K-12)
- o Reading (Endorsement)
- o English (6-12)
- o Reading (K-12)
- o English (1-6)
- o Exceptional Student Education (grades K-12)(renewal beginning with a validity date of July 1, 2025)



SDOC participants may sign up through MyPGS for the following courses, which may satisfy this requirement:

- o Exploring Explicit Reading Instruction - RDD (up to 40 bankable points)
 - o Reading Endorsement Competencies 1, 2 & 4 (after Fall 2019*) (60 bankable points per course)
- *qualifying courses are identified with RDD in the title

(RDD = Reading Difficulties, Disabilities, and Dyslexia)

The FLDOE/UF/ Flamingo Literacy Project includes these courses, at no cost to Florida educators, that may satisfy the requirement.

- o Elementary or Secondary Micro-Credential
<https://lastinger.center.ufl.edu/work/literacy/flamingo-literacy/literacy-microcredentials/>
- o Reading Endorsement Competencies 1 and 2
<https://lastinger.center.ufl.edu/work/literacy/>

The BEESS Portal to Professional Learning Alternatives (fl-pla.org) offers a variety of online courses, at no cost to Florida educators, that may satisfy the requirement.

- o Exploring Structured Literacy (40 point online facilitated course)
- o Science of Reading: An Introduction (5 point online independent course)
- o Reading Difficulties, Disabilities, and Dyslexia (20 point online independent course)
- o Structured Literacy through Multi-Sensory Approach (20 point online independent course)

*Any costs associated with taking a course with an approved vendor is the responsibility of the participant. An External PD must be submitted to receive initial approval before beginning any external courses. If courses are taken with a vendor that is not on the approved list, credit will not be provided.