



Meeting Florida’s Professional Learning Requirements for Teaching Reading

Reading Endorsement

Beacon Educator is proud to be an approved provider for the Florida Department of Education’s reading add-on endorsement. On June 13, 2023, the Just Read, Florida Office announced that Beacon’s reading endorsement program is now an approved pathway for teachers to earn their endorsement.

Reading 40 Requirement

Beacon’s *Reading Challenges* program provides an option for teachers who only need to meet the 40-hour requirement for professional learning in specific reading instruction and intervention strategies, as specified in HB 7069. Teachers must take BOTH titles, *Reading Challenges 1* and *Reading Challenges 2*, to meet the 40-hour requirement.

- *Reading Challenges 1* introduces the reading challenges faced by students with dyslexia and other reading disorders. It discusses the importance that the structure of language plays in the reading process and explains the need for phonological awareness instruction when learning to read. Explicit, systematic and sequential reading instruction and multisensory intervention strategies are defined and examples provided.
- *Reading Challenges 2* requires learners to apply the knowledge learned in Reading Challenges 1 in their own classrooms. Learners implement explicit, systematic, and sequential reading instruction, including multisensory intervention strategies that are based on student needs in each of the reading components.

Reading Challenges	Recommended Inservice Points toward HB 7069
Reading Challenges 1: Dyslexia and More* (Module)	20
Reading Challenges 2: Structured Literacy* (Course)	20

* Reading Challenges 1 and Reading Challenges 2 also meet the requirements for SB 1108 (students with disabilities).

Districts make the final determination regarding inservice points and their application.