

PDA

Professional Development Alternatives

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An Online Professional Development Program

www.pda-ese.org

The PDA online facilitated modules provide comprehensive, high quality and accessible professional development for Florida educators wanting to improve their skills in responding to the needs of all students. Coordinated through the FDLRS Network, the PDA Program, originally known as PDA-ESE, is available free of charge to all Florida educators. The following modules are available through PDA:

❖ 60 Points

- ❖ Foundations of Exceptional Education
- ❖ Assessment and Evaluation
- ❖ Language Development and Communication
- ❖ Instructional Practices
- ❖ Positive Behavior Support
- ❖ Transition

❖ Differentiating Reading Instruction: Making It Explicit

❖ *(Also satisfies Competency 4 of the revised Florida Reading Endorsement)*

❖ 30 Points

- ❖ Interpersonal Interactions and Participation
 - ❖ Differentiating Mathematics Instruction
 - ❖ Differentiating Science Instruction

❖ 15 Points

- ❖ Introduction to Differentiating Instruction: Responding to All Learners
 - ❖ Formative Assessment Process for Differentiating Instruction
 - ❖ *Above two modules are available locally through FDLRS and FIN*
 - ❖ Technology for Student Success: An Introduction
 - ❖ Technology for Student Success: Assistive Technology

Meets requirement of CS/SB 1108 regarding strategies for instruction of students w/disabilities.

Module characteristics include:

Online content and activities for self-paced study.....Ongoing communication with expert local facilitators.....Group or virtual meetings with colleagues and expert facilitators.....Classroom-related assessment tasks.....Consistent user-friendly format/organization.....Technology support

The PDA online program was developed through the collaborative efforts of the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services and the Bureau of Educator Certification. The PDA modules are offered statewide through the coordination of the FDLRS Administration/HRD Project, local FDLRS Associate Centers and the Florida Center for Interactive Media.



Additional detailed information is available at www.pda-ese.org or for module availability please contact your local FDLRS Center at www.fdlrs.org. Additional questions contact:

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