



Okeechobee County School District Reading Endorsement Decision Tree

WHO needs to have a Reading Endorsement or Certification?

- ☐ **Elementary:** All Teachers
- ☐ **Middle School:** ELA and ESE Teachers; or
- ☐ **High School:** Reading, ELA and ESE Teachers

What courses do I need to add Reading Endorsement to my certificate?

The endorsement **MUST** be listed on your teaching certificate to be considered "Reading Endorsed." Similarly, Reading Certification must be listed on your certificate.

Do you teach **READING** to one of the groups listed above?

NO

You **DO NOT** **NEED** the Reading Endorsement or Certification.

YES

Did you graduate with your degree in 2006 or later?

NO

You **DO NEED** to become Reading Certified through a college program **OR** take all five inservice competencies to apply to become Reading Endorsed.

YES

Did you graduate from a Florida State Approved Educator Preparation Program (see back) for ESE, PreK, Elementary Education or Reading?

NO

Did you graduate from a Florida college or university?

NO

If you have taken reading college courses, you need to apply through FLDOE for a transcript review **OR** take all 5 inservice competencies to apply for Reading Endorsement. Inservice credit will be applied TNL once FLDOE issues an official statement. Option: Apply for Reading Certification if you have a Master's major in Reading & have passed the exam.

NO

YES

If your transcript declares the Reading Endorsement was included, you need to apply through FLDOE for the endorsement addition. If your transcript does not declare the full Reading Endorsement, you **HAVE** already completed competencies 1 through 4 and must only complete inservice competency 5 to apply for your endorsement.

Did you earn any other "Education" degree (i.e., Art Education, Science Education, etc.) from a Florida State Approved Educator Program?

NO

Did you go through an Educator Preparation Institute at the college level for "Alternative" Certification?

YES

YES

You **HAVE** already completed competencies 1 and 2. You are only required to complete inservice competencies 3, 4, and 5 to apply for your endorsement.

You **HAVE** already completed competency 2 and must complete competencies 1, 3, 4, and 5 to apply for your endorsement. An official transcript for EPI must be on file with Human Resources.

State Approved Educator Preparation Programs

<input type="checkbox"/> American College of Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Lynn University
<input type="checkbox"/> Ave Maria University	<input type="checkbox"/> Miami Dade College
<input type="checkbox"/> Baptist College	<input type="checkbox"/> National Louis University
<input type="checkbox"/> Barry University	<input type="checkbox"/> Northwest Florida State College
<input type="checkbox"/> Bethune-Cookman University	<input type="checkbox"/> Nova Southeastern University
<input type="checkbox"/> Broward College	<input type="checkbox"/> Palm Beach Atlantic University
<input type="checkbox"/> Chipola College	<input type="checkbox"/> Polk State College
<input type="checkbox"/> Clearwater Christian College	<input type="checkbox"/> Rollins College
<input type="checkbox"/> College of Central Florida	<input type="checkbox"/> Saint Leo University
<input type="checkbox"/> Daytona State College	<input type="checkbox"/> South Florida State College
<input type="checkbox"/> Edward Waters College	<input type="checkbox"/> Southeastern University
<input type="checkbox"/> Flagler College	<input type="checkbox"/> Southern Technical College
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida A&M University	<input type="checkbox"/> St. Johns River State College
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida Atlantic University	<input type="checkbox"/> St. Petersburg College
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida College	<input type="checkbox"/> Stetson University
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida Gulf Coast University	<input type="checkbox"/> Trinity International University
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida Institute of Technology	<input type="checkbox"/> University of Central Florida
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida International University	<input type="checkbox"/> University of Florida
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida Memorial University	<input type="checkbox"/> University of Miami
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida Southern College	<input type="checkbox"/> University of North Florida
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida SouthWestern State College	<input type="checkbox"/> University of South Florida
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida State College at Jacksonville	<input type="checkbox"/> University of South Florida – Sarasota Manatee
<input type="checkbox"/> Florida State University	<input type="checkbox"/> University of South Florida St. Petersburg
<input type="checkbox"/> Indian River State College	<input type="checkbox"/> University of Tampa
<input type="checkbox"/> Johnson University – Florida	<input type="checkbox"/> University of West Florida
<input type="checkbox"/> Jacksonville University	<input type="checkbox"/> Warner University
<input type="checkbox"/> Keiser University	

Approved list found on the Florida Department of Education Website:

<http://www.fldoe.org/teaching/preparation/initial-teacher-preparation-programs/approved-teacher-edu-programs.shtml>