

# BEESS Portal

## Professional Development Alternatives

The Florida Department of Education Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS) Portal to Professional Development Alternatives (PDA) offers a variety of FREE online courses for Florida educators that will increase their ability to respond to the needs of students with disabilities. Please note that following **online, self-paced courses highlighted in yellow** are available for ESECR credit upon submission of your Certificate of Completion to the Professional Learning & School Improvement Department. These courses are ALWAYS available online.

**To enroll in one of these courses:**

1. Go to: [www.fl-pda.org](http://www.fl-pda.org)
2. Under the Independent Study Courses heading, click Sign In.
3. Click on Register as a New User if it is your first time on the site. If you are returning to this site to get back into a course, type in your email username and password.
4. Click on a course title to expand the course to view the description, enroll or continue in a course, and to check your status.
5. Upon completion of all required coursework, send your Certificate of Completion to Sarah Dowdell in the Office of Professional Learning and School Improvement for your in-service to be awarded in MyPGS.

Index of Independent Study Courses			
20 Inservice credits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective Teaching Practices for Students with Disabilities: Focusing on the Content Area</li> <li>• Leadership for Instruction of Students with Disabilities</li> <li>• Paraprofessionals Supporting Students with Disabilities and their Educators (If a Paraprofessional has a current teaching certificate and is seeking hours for recertification.)</li> <li>• Positive Behavior Intervention Supports</li> <li>• Student Services for Inclusive Schools</li> <li>• Teaching Students with Disabilities</li> <li>• Teaching Students with Disabilities in the Fine Arts</li> </ul>		
10-15 Inservice credits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Battelle Developmental Inventory - 2nd Edition</li> <li>• English Language Learners for Therapists</li> <li>• Inclusive Practices for the Developmentally Appropriate Pre-K Classroom</li> <li>• Integration Standards Aligned Instruction Across Tiers</li> <li>• Language Reading Connection</li> <li>• Secondary Transition</li> </ul>		
5-6 Inservice credits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deaf Ed Express</li> <li>• Multi-tiered Systems of Supports: An Introduction</li> <li>• Universal Design for Learning K12 Lesson Plans</li> <li>• Usher Syndrome Screening</li> </ul>		
Non-credit courses	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary K-6 Content Review Module</li> <li>• Foundations Content Review</li> <li>• Graduation Requirements</li> <li>• Job Development</li> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review- English</li> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review-Math</li> </ul> </td> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review- Science</li> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review- Social Science</li> <li>• Secondary Math Content Review</li> <li>• Using an Early Warning System to Increase Graduation Success</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </table>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elementary K-6 Content Review Module</li> <li>• Foundations Content Review</li> <li>• Graduation Requirements</li> <li>• Job Development</li> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review- English</li> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review-Math</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review- Science</li> <li>• Middle Grades Content Review- Social Science</li> <li>• Secondary Math Content Review</li> <li>• Using an Early Warning System to Increase Graduation Success</li> </ul>
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Before taking a course from this website that is not highlighted in yellow above, please check with the Professional Learning & School Improvement department first to see if it will count towards the ESE/SWD requirement.