



# New Process for Reading Endorsement Verification

Have you completed all of the reading endorsement competencies?

The Professional Development and Curriculum and Instruction departments have worked together to meet the needs of teachers completing the reading endorsement. We are excited to announce that there is a **new verification form to complete.** This new process requires printing Polk transcripts and highlighting the reading competency courses. The contact for reading endorsement verification (**Option 1—District Add-On Plan: Six Competency classes (300 hrs.) or Option 2—REESOL Plan**) is Jackie Baldwin in Curriculum and Instruction at the Jim Miles Professional Development Center. Please

be sure to go to the Polk web page link at <http://www.polk-fl.net/staff/professionaldevelopment/readingendorsement.htm> to download the form and for more information. One reminder is to be sure to follow the directions on the website in order to avoid returned forms and delays.

**Congratulations to each of you who have completed the reading endorsement and gained evidence-based instructional strategies to increase student success in reading!**



## Polk Reading Endorsement WebPage

Some of the things that you can find at <http://www.polk-fl.net/staff/professionaldevelopment/readingendorsement.htm> include contact information, option 1 and option 2 of the Polk County Plan; course opportunities, when and where and how to register; eligibility information; directions for verification for reading endorsement, and much more. Please bookmark this page if you are working on completing your reading endorsement.

**“To learn to read is to light a fire; every syllable that is spelled out is a spark.”**

- **Victor Hugo,**  
**Les Miserables**

**“The more you read, the more things you will know.**

**The more you learn, the more places you’ll go.”**

- **Dr. Seuss,**  
**I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!**