

## **Professional Development Opportunity: SwD/ESE Course Opportunities**

- What:** WCSD ESE Course  
PDA Courses on BEESS
- Who:** These courses meet the requirements for the SwD/ESE requirement. Teachers need a total of 20 SwD/ESE hours every 5 year validity/certification period.
- When:** Ongoing at your own pace
- Where:** Online through Microsoft Teams or the BEESS portal

### **Action Steps:**

**For the WCSD ESE Course, participants will need to register in ePDC.**

**For the PDA Courses, participants will go to <https://fl-pda.org/>, click on sign in under Independent Study Courses, create an account, and choose a course to complete. For recommendations, please contact Kristy Grey: [kristy.grey@walton.k12.fl.us](mailto:kristy.grey@walton.k12.fl.us)**

### **Additional Information:**

- Registration is available ongoing.
- The WCSD Course must be complete by June 20. Courses will not roll over into the next school year.
- When taking the WCSD ESE Course, it is facilitated by educators in the WCSD. You will receive a welcome email with their contact information and instructions for accessing the course when you register in ePDC.
- Kristy Grey will review the course completion information once the WCSD ESE Course ends and mark participants complete in ePDC. Please check 2 weeks after the course ends to verify that your course is there.
- PDA also offers facilitated courses. Those opportunities will be emailed to school-based PLFs and then forwarded to teachers as they are provided.
- Beacon Educator and PAEC also offers courses that meet this requirement. Participants are responsible for any costs associated with those courses. The district does not pay for them.

### **Other Information:**

Please contact Kristy Grey if you have any questions. [kristy.grey@walton.k12.fl.us](mailto:kristy.grey@walton.k12.fl.us) (850) 892-1100 ext. 1442.