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FDLRS, FIN and SEDNET are part of statewide networks. All staff work throughout our local region, and are also a resource statewide to all FDLRS, FIN and SEDNET networks. Contact us at (850) 469-5423 or (888) 445-9662; each name below is also hyperlinked to the individual's email address.

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Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System

Locally, FDLRS Emerald Coast provides [Child Find](#), [Parent, Human Resource Development](#), and [Technology](#) services in Escambia, Okaloosa and Santa Rosa counties.



Child Find



Child Find connects children potentially in need of exceptional education services, via free screenings, to services in the public schools. To request or refer for a free Child Find screening, please contact us at (850) 469-5423 or visit the "Child Find" tab at www.fdlrsemeraldcoast.org.

Parent & Family Services

Parent Services provides consultation and workshops of interest to families of exceptional and gifted education students. View various workshop and meeting opportunities at www.fdlrsemeraldcoast.org, and click the graphics below to learn more about opportunities in Florida.



Human Resource Development

HRD specialists provide research-based training supporting educators and administrators in face-to-face, online, and blended formats targeting the improvement of district and state student achievement goals. Follow up, mentoring, coaching and technical assistance is also provided.

Trainings are advertised to targeted audiences and can be found in your county's professional development portal and/or by visiting the FDLRS calendar of events at www.fdlrsemeraldcoast.org.

Technology Services

Technology specialists target the specialized hardware, software, app and program needs of students served with an IEP. A preview of hardware, software, some apps and various devices can be arranged for families seeking guidance on appropriate tools to meet the needs of their child.



Please visit www.fdlrsemeraldcoast.org, or call to request services.

Endorsements

Endorsements in gifted and in autism spectrum disorders (ASD) are offered at no cost through FDLRS Centers. In the Emerald Coast service area, FDLRS assists districts to provide endorsement training in gifted and in ASD for Escambia, Okaloosa, and Santa Rosa counties.

Production Lab

Teachers and parents may laminate and create instructional use materials for students with disabilities and students who are gifted. Material development must be completed in the lab. Lamination of purchased products is not permitted. The copier takes 24# paper only; users must provide copy paper and honor copyright.



Florida Inclusion Network

The Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) collaborates with all districts, schools, and discretionary projects to provide customized services and supports to ensure that all students with disabilities have the same educational, social, and future opportunities as their peers. Access the FIN website at floridainclusionnetwork.com.

In partnership with districts, FIN facilitates implementation of best practices for inclusive education through:

- Data-driven, student-focused planning and problem-solving across districts and schools.
- Data-driven professional development and technical assistance to increase knowledge and skills of district and school personnel.
- Coaching and resources for district and school personnel to build and sustain capacity.
- Sharing information to build collaborative relationships between families, schools and districts.

Multi-Agency Network for Students with Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities (SEDNET)

SEDNET creates and facilitates a network of key stakeholders committed to assisting in the provision of a quality system of care for students with or at-risk of emotional and/or behavioral challenges. The areas of focus for SEDNET initiatives include:

- Capacity building
- Technical Assistance and Training
- Interagency Collaboration
- Education and Systems of Care; Legislation and Policy
- Parent and Youth Development and Involvement

In Florida's system of care, SEDNET works with education, mental health, child welfare and juvenile justice professionals, along with other agencies to ensure that children with mental, emotional and behavioral problems, and their families, have access to the services and supports they need to succeed. Access the SEDNET website at www.sednetfl.info.

