

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

The **ASD Endorsement** is an add-on Credential for teachers with a bachelor's or higher degree and certification in any exceptional student education area.

<https://www.fdlrsnefec.org/hrd/asd-endorsement>

Florida Rule, 6A-4.01796 F.A.C. establishes requirements for K-12 teachers, providing services to students who are identified with Autism Spectrum Disorder, to meet the certification requirements for the ASD endorsement. The rule's requirements for ASD endorsement details the completion of twelve semester hours of college/university courses to include the following:

1. **Nature of autism spectrum disorders** (to include student characteristics, appropriate learning goals, teaching approaches, environmental arrangements, etc.);
2. **Use of assistive and instructional technology and natural, alternative, and augmentative communication systems for students with autism spectrum disorders;**
3. **Behavior management and positive behavior supports for students with autism spectrum disorders;**
4. **Assessment and diagnosis of autism spectrum disorders;** and,
5. **Field-based experience with students with autism spectrum disorders.**