

Pathways to Proficient Reading: Secondary Pacing Guide

Pathways to Proficient Reading: Secondary is designed for middle and high school educators who are committed to learning about the connection between reading research, theoretical models such as the Simple View of Reading and Scarborough's Reading Rope, and best practices for language and literacy instruction in the classroom. Participants will learn effective instructional practices that will benefit all students, including linguistically diverse populations and those with language-based learning disabilities. Completion of Pathways to Proficient Reading: Secondary is estimated to take approximately 55 hours, depending on the participant's background knowledge in the science of reading. At the end of this professional development opportunity, participants will be able to draw from their specialized knowledge in the science of reading to improve lesson planning, and provide evidence-based diagnostic, prescriptive literacy instruction across content areas. The course will also prepare participants for the [Center for Effective Reading Instruction's](#) Knowledge and Practice Examination for Effective Reading Instruction (KPEERI) exam and certification. Further, demonstrating mastery on the coursework can earn you CEUs (PA Act 48 or CTLE credits) and/or three graduate credits from [Arcadia University](#).

The start and completion of the course will occur asynchronously. Once participants gain access to the AIM Pathways platform and complete their asynchronous tasks, they will have access to the coursework at their convenience—24 hours a day, 7 days a week, anywhere there is an internet connection. Below is the Pacing Guide customized to your cohort's scheduling needs. Participants will complete the asynchronous coursework sections prior to the date of the synchronous virtual community-of-practice meetings.

- **Open Enrollment Spring 2026**

Date of Access to AIM Pathways Platform: **Monday, February 2, 2026**

Asynchronous Coursework: Due by Date of VCoP	Approximate Time to Complete	Synchronous Meeting Title	Day of VCoP	Date of VCoP	Time of VCoP
Watch Orientation Video, Complete Pre-Course Knowledge Inventory	90 minutes	N/A	Complete Independently by Monday, February 9, 2026		
Sections 1-5	14.5+ hours	VCoP #1	Monday	March 16, 2026	4:30 - 5:30 PM ET
Sections 6-9	12+ hours	VCoP #2	Monday	April 13, 2026	4:30 - 5:30 PM ET
Sections 10-11	5+ hours	VCoP #3	Monday	April 27, 2026	4:30 - 5:30 PM ET
Section 12	5+ hours	VCoP #4	Monday	May 11, 2026	4:30 - 5:30 PM ET
Sections 13-14	5+ hours	VCoP #5	Monday	June 1, 2026	4:30 - 5:30 PM ET
Sections 15-16	5.5+ hours	VCoP #6	Monday	June 15, 2026	4:30 - 5:30 PM ET
Post-Course Knowledge Inventory, Print Certificate	60 minutes	N/A	Complete Independently by Monday, June 22, 2026		

Arcadia graduate credit application available between January 1 and May 31, 2026 -

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