

Pathways to Proficient Reading: MS Licensure Pacing Guide

Mississippi Department of Education - **Desoto Cohort 1**

This AIM Pathways course is an International Dyslexia Association (IDA) approved professional development opportunity designed for educators who are committed to learning about the connection between reading research, theoretical modules such as Simple View of Reading and Scarborough's Reading Rope, and best practices for language and literacy instruction in the classroom. This course prepares participants for the [KPEERI](#) exam as well as offers 55 hours of CEUs and 3 graduate credits with our partner, [Arcadia University](#). To learn more about this course, please visit the AIM Institute webpage [HERE](#).

The asynchronous coursework can be completed at your own pace, however, the pacing guide below recommends pacing to help you stay on track and be fully prepared for each live session. These live community-of-practice sessions are pre-scheduled and guided by an AIM facilitator. The sessions are to encourage the application and discussion of the content in the course.

Coursework	Due Day	Due Date	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
Access Date: AIM Pathways Platform	Wednesday	July 1, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Pre-Knowledge Inventory Assessment	Wednesday	July 8, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Suggested Pacing				
Sections 1 - 3 (<i>Section 1 Optional</i>)	Monday	July 28, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Sections 4 and 5	Monday	August 10, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Sections 6 and 7	Monday	August 31, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Section 8	Monday	September 14, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
In-Person Training Session 1	Tuesday	September 15, 2026	8:30 AM - 4:00 PM CT	Desoto School District, Olive Branch Elem
Sections 9 and 10	Monday	October 5, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Sections 11 and 12	Monday	November 2, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Sections 13 - 15 (<i>Section 14 Optional</i>)	Monday	November 23, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
Sections 16 and 17	Monday	December 14, 2026	<i>Complete Asynchronously</i>	
In-Person Training Session 2	Tuesday	December 15, 2026	8:30 AM - 4:00 PM CT	Desoto School District, Olive Branch Elem
<i>The Post Knowledge Assessment should be taken AFTER the In-Person Training in March asynchronously. A score of 60 or higher must be obtained to receive a certificate, CEUs, SEMIs, or OSLs.</i>				

All course requirements completed by December 31, 2026

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