

Flamingo Literacy Playbooks. To move children to literacy proficiency, the School District of Palm Beach County is partnering with the UFLC to grow a strong cadre of teachers and instructional leaders with the knowledge, skills, and resources to provide research-based instruction in their classrooms. Through the yearlong professional development, teachers in the School District of Palm Beach County will gain advanced knowledge of highly effective literacy instruction, aligned with Florida’s B.E.S.T. Standards in English-Language Arts, to improve literacy outcomes for students.

Each playbook provides a suite of literacy resources that align to the Big 5 domains of reading development identified by the National Reading Panel Report of 2000, with two separate decoding playbooks to differentiate instruction for early and advanced decoding. The six Flamingo Literacy Playbooks are Phonological Awareness, Early Decoding, Advanced Decoding, Fluency, Vocabulary, and Comprehension. Each playbook includes research-based presentations, handouts, model lessons, and observation forms. Each playbook also contains evidence-based strategies to meet the students who are non-native English speakers and students with disabilities, including dyslexia.