

## **Pinellas County Professional Development Support**

Reading proficiency has been linked to nearly every quality of life indicator, yet only 30% of Florida's third-grade students are proficient according to the Spring 2019 Florida Standards Assessment. In order to move children to literacy proficiency, Pinellas County School Board (PCSB) is partnering with the University of Florida Lastinger Center to conceptualize, design, implement, and evaluate a far-reaching effort to position the school system as a national leader in research-based literacy professional development for teachers, instructional coaches, and administrators in order to bolster students' literacy achievement. These efforts are designed to scaffold support and sustain change on multiple levels of the ecosystem including administrators, literacy coaches, teachers, and students. PCSB will have the capacity and tools to create and encourage an effective school-wide literacy culture. This project entails the following:

1. Pinellas County School Board Summer Bridge Reading Camp
2. Pinellas County School Board Literacy Coaching Professional Development
3. Pinellas County School Board Literacy Leadership Professional Development
4. Access to Online Literacy Matrix Professional Development
5. Access to Digital Leveled Library and Virtual Resources