



Date(s)	Time
September	25 & 26
November	14 & 15
February	18 & 19

### Background

- Act 20 states that “All Wisconsin schools are required to provide science-based early literacy instruction in both universal and intervention settings.”
- Benchmark Advance, the curricular resource in use within the SDMA, meets the definition of a science-based early literacy resource.

### Requirements:

- All K-3 teachers (Classroom, SPED, & ELL) and principals will receive specific reading training as required by Act 20.
- Wisconsin districts are required to administer the statewide literacy screener (we do not know which one yet) to all students in grades 4K-3 and then administer approved diagnostic assessments to students scoring below the 25th percentile.
- Any child in grades K-3 who scores below the 25th percentile on the statewide literacy screener **must** receive a personal reading plan.
- Act 20 requires that students with a personal reading plan have their reading development progress monitored weekly.

### Principal/Literacy Leader Professional Development

- The SDMA has selected CESA 6 as our professional development partner for Act 20 Principal/Literacy Leader PD.
- Training will be delivered in person within the SDMA on specific dates.
- Resources - Participants will receive all training materials prior to the first training.
- This professional development is designed for Principals/Literacy Leaders.
  - Within the SDMA Principals, School Psychologists, District Reading Specialist, Director of Pupil Services, and Assistant Superintendent of Instruction will participate.
- Session 1: Aligning What We Know With How the Brain Reads
- Session 2: Foundations of Early Reading
- Session 3: The Importance of Explicit and Systematic Phonics Instruction
- Session 4: Exploring Bridging Processes to Impact Comprehension
- Session 5: Leveraging What Matters Most for Oral Language and Comprehension
- Session 6: Supporting Readers to Comprehend Texts

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## Teacher Professional Development

- The SDMA has selected Keys to Literacy as our professional development partner for Act 20 teacher PD.
- Training will be delivered in virtual live sessions via Zoom through a synchronous format.
- Resources - Participants will receive all training materials including the Keys to Beginning Reading book prior to the first training.
- This professional development is designed for any educator who teaches basic reading skills to students in grades K-3 or students in upper elementary grades who struggle with basic reading skills. It is also appropriate for literacy coaches and administrators who develop beginning reading curriculum or support teachers.