

FAQ Guide - Professional Development

Mid-Ohio ESC

□ Book Study:

1. **How many hours can I earn per book study?** 15 hours
2. **How long is a book study?** Typically, a book study lasts for nine weeks.
3. **Do I need to purchase my own book?** Yes, you are responsible for obtaining your own book. It is suggested that you purchase your book several weeks prior to the start of the book study. (Note, you could also obtain a copy from a library for the duration of the study.)
4. **Do you offer university credit?** Yes, you can earn Ashland University credit. See the [link here](#) for more information.
5. **How much does it cost if you want to earn AU credit?** Mid-Ohio ESC offers one credit option available for \$286 if you complete one book study and the final summary paper/project (see details below). We also have a two-credit option available if you complete two book studies over the course of the 2019-20 school year for a combined total of \$497. [Note, this will require you to complete two separate AU registration forms, with one credit for \$286 and another credit for \$211.]
6. **How much does it cost to participate in a book study if you do not want AU credit?** It is free if your district is a part of the Mid-Ohio ESC's gifted model. If you are not a part of the Mid-Ohio ESC gifted module it is \$100 per book study.
7. **How do I enroll in a book study?** Enroll using the Gifted Registration form on [our website](#). You will receive an introductory email approximately 2 weeks prior to the beginning date of the book study with classroom codes sent out the week prior. (You will also receive an email confirming your registration within 24 hours of registering online.)
8. **How do I enroll for Ashland University credit?** Click on the link for "[Information about Ashland University Credit](#)" for details.
9. **Will I receive a certificate of completion?** Yes, you will receive a Mid-Ohio ESC certificate indicating how many Gifted PD contact hours or semester hours you completed.
10. **Is there a due date to complete a book study?** Yes, all book studies must be completed by the date indicated in the Google Classroom, typically 9 weeks after the course starts. In addition, anyone taking an AU credit will also need to have their final projects/papers be completed approximately 2 weeks AFTER the book study has ended.

11. **Do we meet in person or is it all online?** Everything is done online through Google classroom, including a ZOOM meeting for the final book discussion.
12. **Can I take more than one book study?** Yes, you can take as many book studies as you would like in an academic year. You will need to register for each book study separately.

☐ Independent Gifted PD Menu Opportunities:

1. **What topics are offered on the Independent Gifted PD Menu?**
 - Rural and Low SES Gifted Students
 - Tiered Assignments
 - Motivating a Reluctant Reader
 - STEM: Building a Bridge (K-12)
 - SCAMPER Strategy for Creative Thinkers
 - Open-Ended math Problems (K-12)
 - Mindset
 - Bibliotherapy and Cinematherapy
 - 10 Myths that Hold Bright Math Students Back (K-12)
 - Fairy Tales STEM
 - Virtual Learning for Gifted Students
 - Extension menus for Advanced Learners
 - ... and more added all the time ...
2. **Do I have to complete all of the topics on the Gifted PD Menu?** No, you can complete as many (or few) as you would like over the course of a year.
3. **How many topics are available?** Currently there are 12 and more are constantly being added.
4. **How many hours can I earn for one topic?** Anywhere from 1-4 hours. A few topics can be done a few times for a different instructional unit.
5. **Do I need to complete all topics?** No, you can complete one or more as you are interested.
6. **Do I need to complete the topics in a specific order?** No
7. **How do I view the menu of choices?** Send an email to your gifted consultant or team lead, Leanna Ferreira at ferreira.leanna@moesc.net

8. **How much does it cost for this PD?** It is free if your district is a part of the Mid-Ohio ESC's gifted model. Others should contact gifted team lead, Leanna Ferreira (ferreira.leanna@moesc.net) for pricing details.
9. **What do I do when I am finished with a topic?** Notify your gifted consultant/contact.
10. **Will I receive a certificate of completion?** Yes, you will receive a Mid-Ohio ESC certificate indicating how many Gifted PD contact hours you completed.
11. **Is there a due date to complete a menu topic?** You can work at your own pace. There will be a final date set by your gifted consultant for the end of the school year, though.

□ Other PD Opportunities:

1. **What other Gifted PD opportunities are available through Mid-Ohio ESC?**

Currently Mid-Ohio ESC offers

- a. Online book studies (Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring)
 - b. Five online gifted modules
 - c. A Full Day Gifted Conference (in the Fall)
 - d. Independent Gifted PD Menu (Topics and products vary with most offering 1-3 hours per assignment.)
2. **How can I enroll in one of the Gifted PD Opportunities?** Register on [our website](#) for the various specific events or send an email to your district gifted consultant.
 3. **I am interested in attending the Fall Gifted Conference, where can I find more information?** You can find more information [here](#). For 2020-21 Todd Stanley will be working with teachers on Project Based Learning for Gifted Students on September 24, 2020 from 8-3pm for 5 hours of Gifted PD. Cost is TBD.
 4. **Who is the best person to talk to if I want more information regarding gifted PD?**
You should reach out to your district's gifted coordinator (see list below) or email the gifted team lead, Leanna Ferreira (ferreira.leanna@moesc.net) for assistance.
 - a. Crestline Local Schools: Michelle Vance (vance.michelle@moesc.net)
 - b. Crestview Local Schools: Sherri Richter (richter.sherri@moesc.net)
 - c. Galion City Schools: Jennifer Pennell (pennell.jennifer@moesc.net)
 - d. GOAL Digital Academy: Michelle Vance (vance.michelle@moesc.net)
 - e. Highland Local Schools: Jennifer Pennell (pennell.jennifer@moesc.net)
 - f. Lexington Local Schools: Leanna Ferreira (ferreira.leanna@moesc.net)
 - g. Lucas Local Schools: Jennifer Pennell (pennell.jennifer@moesc.net)

- h. Madison Local Schools: Lisa Gonzalez (lgonzalez@mlsd.net)
- i. Mansfield City Schools: Leah Barger (barger.leah@moesc.net)
- j. Plymouth-Shiloh Local Schools: Michelle Vance (vance.michelle@moesc.net)

☐ Modules:

1. **How many modules are available?** Five
2. **How many hours can I earn for one module?** 4 hours
3. **Do I need to complete all five?** No, you can complete one or more modules.
4. **Do I need to complete the modules in order?** No
5. **How do I enroll in a module?** Send an email to your gifted consultant.
 - a. Crestline Local Schools: Michelle Vance (vance.michelle@moesc.net)
 - b. Crestview Local Schools: Sherri Richter (richter.sherri@moesc.net)
 - c. Galion City Schools: Jennifer Pennell (pennell.jennifer@moesc.net)
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 - g. Lucas Local Schools: Jennifer Pennell (pennell.jennifer@moesc.net)
6. **How will I know I am enrolled in a module?** You will receive an email confirming your registration and typically less than a week later you will receive an email with more details.
7. **How much does it cost?** It is free if your district is a part of the Mid-Ohio ESC's gifted model. The cost is \$40 per module otherwise.
8. **What do I do when I am finished with a module?** Notify your gifted consultant/contact.
9. **Will I receive a certificate of completion?** Yes, you will receive a Mid-Ohio ESC certificate indicating how many Gifted PD contact hours you completed.
10. **Is there a due date to complete a module?** You can work at your own pace. There will be a final date set by your gifted consultant for the end of the school year, though you can re-enroll as needed.