About Online Courses

All online courses are not the same. In some courses, the learner interacts with online content at his/her own speed at any time or location. Other courses have the learner interacting with an instructor in an online environment.

The following are how these different types of courses display in the online professional development catalog.

Self-Paced

Self-paced sessions are courses where the learner interacts with the content independently of other people. These courses could occur in a learning management system such as Moodle or Blackboard, or in a self-contained player within the registration site.

These self-paced sessions will have a Subscription Length listed. You will have a set number of days to complete the course. The number of days will begin with the day the course is purchased. For example, if a course with a 30-day subscription is purchased on February 1st, it will expire on March 2nd (unless it is a leap year and then it will expire on March 1st.) The expiration date is Registration Date + Subscription Length.

Occasionally, instead of a Subscription Length of X number of days, you may see a date. In these cases, all learners must complete the course by the date listed. The following is a sample of this type of expiration date.

Nature and Needs of Gifted/Talented Students-Online Training

Analyze the historical, legal, and conceptual understandings of gifted education. Demonstrate an understanding of the characteristics and behaviors of the gifted learner. Participants will also become familiar with the social and emotional needs of the gifted learner. Examine various program options and research on best practices for gifted programming. Participants must submit accurate email addresses to receive course access information.

Important Session Information:

You will be entered into the online course within 5 days after you register. A username and password will be emailed. There are no refunds. Be sure this is the session that you need. Course must be completed by May 31, 2013. If you have any questions or concerns, email sgreen@pscs.net.

Registration ends at 12:00 AM on Friday, May 31, 2013

Credits Available:
(6) CPE
(6) Gifted/Talented

Registration Fee:
$90.00
**Instructor-Led**

Instructor-Led sessions are date-based. They have a start date and an end date like face to face sessions, however, the location of the training is in an online environment. This environment could be a webinar or a learning management system such as Moodle or Blackboard.

Some Instructor-Led sessions are *asynchronous* — meaning the course meets for a specific set of days, but there are few, if any, set times where all participants are in the course at the same time of day. This will be indicated on the registration page as a date range.

Other sessions are *synchronous* — meaning the course meets for a specific day and time, most commonly called a Webinar. This will be indicated on the registration page as a date range with start and end times.