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INCLUSION *focus*

Itinerant Teachers for Inclusive Education Eastern School District Newfoundland & Labrador

- International Inclusion Week December 3-7
- Exploring Inclusion – Activities for Classrooms and Schools
- Up Coming P.D.

International

Inclusion Week: December 3-7, 2007

Inclusion is an attitude and a value system that promotes the basic right of all students to receive appropriate and quality educational programming and services in the company of their peers.
(Eleanor Guetzole)

Inclusion in education involves the processes of increasing the participation of students in, and reducing their exclusion from, the cultures, curriculum and communities of schools.
(Centre for Studies on Inclusive Education, UK)



Up-Coming Activities to Explore Inclusion in your Class & School



Keep a look out for a list of activities for classrooms and schools (K-12) that will be distributed (electronically) before December 3rd. Information and classroom activities will be included as well as a reproducible poster.

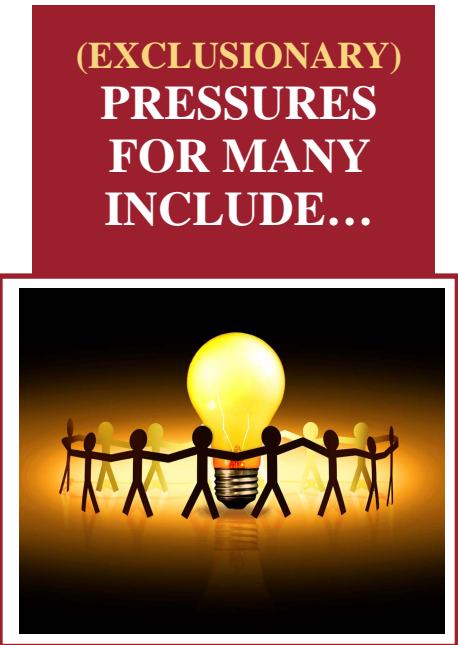


Expanding the Vision

Inclusive Education – An International Perspective

The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) estimates that there are 140 million children in the world who do not attend school due to gender, disability, and/or socio-economic discrimination.

Those who are attending school are often not receiving a quality education. This global realization underscores the international movement toward educating children who are marginalized in their communities due to disability, gender, socio-economic status, cultural heritage, or language preference.



**(EXCLUSIONARY)
PRESSURES
FOR MANY
INCLUDE...**

Dec 3 – 7 Plan to Include...

Best Practices for *Including* Students

- ◆ K-6 - Have students design a poster or puppet show about what makes them feel welcome at school.
- ◆ Intermediate - Produce an essay, poem, photo journal or video on “What it is like to be excluded.”
- ◆ High School – Display and demonstrate a piece of assistive technology to all the students in your class.
- ◆ Administration – Post ideas and professional articles in the teacher's lounge to promote professional development about inclusion.

*Email your “Inclusive” Stories and Examples
We would like to hear from you!*

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Poverty

Cultural
Background

Disability

Learning Difficulty

Mental Health

Challenging
Behaviour

Social Class

Race

Gender

Sexual
Orientation

P.D. Opportunity

**Teacher
Collaboration for
Successful Inclusion;**

Feb 15, 2007
Register Through
Member Services