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Richard A. Villa and Jacqueline S. Thousand provide an in-depth, research-based guide for ensuring that your school provides the federally guaranteed "least restrictive environment" for students no matter the severity of the challenges they face. *Leading an Inclusive School: Access and Success for ALL Students* offers administrators, teachers, and other educators working to promote inclusion a wealth of information about the history and research base of inclusive education in the United States, including pivotal amendments to and reauthorizations of the EHCA, landmark court cases, and the philosophical underpinnings of the movement; essential curricular and instructional practices for inclusive schools, such as heterogeneous grouping, creative problem solving, and co-teaching; powerful organizational structures such as Multitiered System of Support and Schoolwide Positive Behavior Supports to help optimize the benefits of differentiation for all students; and a conceptual framework for coordinating educational initiatives and best practices for educating all students in general education. Also included are vivid personal stories of students with disabilities that illustrate how these students flourish when they learn alongside their general education peers. Educators who are serious about committing to the success of learners at all levels of perceived physical, intellectual, communication, and social/emotional ability will find the examples, advice, and tools in this book indispensable for planning, implementing, and promoting inclusion in their schools.

Creating an Inclusive School

This comprehensive collection provides a global perspective on inclusive education. The existing literature delves into whether inclusive practice is about educating children with disabilities or children from diverse backgrounds. The articles in this compilation assert that it is both. *Inclusive Education Across Cultures: Crossing Boundaries, Sharing Ideas* brings together multiple perspectives to present a compelling case for inclusive practice in different areas of inclusive education, ranging from policy initiatives to practices on the ground level, and advocating and creating awareness. The articles present examples that are explicitly disability-focussed and at the same time present a vision of inclusion that is about societal reform. These articles provide a voice to the people living with disabilities and enable us to learn from their stories. They not only provide theoretical information, but also connect theory and practice by discussing implemented models and practical resources. This work will be a valuable resource material for all those involved in the study of education, social work and psychology.

Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation

The go-to book for including ALL learners in educational success! Teaching students with diverse needs require educators to employ empathy, responsiveness, and patience. This book has long been the indispensable resource for K-12 teachers as they confidently form lesson plans and strategies for inclusion. In this new edition, Toby J. Karten's data-driven methods are updated with the latest research and policy developments. The book's content includes: Updated information on ADA, IDEA, writing IEPs, transitional services, classifications, RTI, metacognitive strategies, and links to the Common Core Tips for working with families and making them an integral part of the inclusive team An overview of special education legislative terminology Interactive online forms for planning, documentation, and collaboration

Inclusive Education Across Cultures

This Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Special Report (IPCC-SREX) explores the challenge of understanding and managing the risks of climate extremes to advance climate change adaptation. Extreme weather and climate events, interacting with exposed and vulnerable human and natural systems, can lead to disasters. Changes in the frequency and severity of the physical events affect disaster risk, but so do the spatially diverse and temporally dynamic patterns of exposure and vulnerability. Some types of extreme weather and climate events have increased in frequency or magnitude, but populations and assets at risk have also increased, with consequences for disaster risk. Opportunities for managing risks of weather- and climate-related disasters exist or can be developed at any scale, local to international. Prepared following strict IPCC procedures, SREX is an invaluable assessment for anyone interested in climate extremes,

environmental disasters and adaptation to climate change, including policymakers, the private sector and academic researchers.

Successful Inclusion for Students with Autism

A source of ideas for teacher educators who wish to improve teachers' skills in dealing with pupil diversity in mainstream schools. Particular emphasis is given to teacher development, both pre-service and in-service. In addition, the book provides practical guidelines based on the UNESCO Teacher Education Resource Pack.

Equity and Quality in Education Supporting Disadvantaged Students and Schools

This monograph analyses and describes successful educational actions with a specific focus on vulnerable groups (i.e. youth, migrants, cultural groups e.g. Roma, women, and people with disabilities). Concrete data that shows success in school performance in subject matters such as math or language will be provided, as well as children, teachers and families accounts of the impact of this success. Alongside, there is an analysis of the relationship between these children's educational performance with their inclusion or exclusion from different areas of society (i.e. housing, health, employment, and social and political participation). Many studies have already diagnosed and described the causes of educational and social exclusion of these vulnerable groups. This monograph, however, provides solutions, that is, actions for success identified through the INCLUD-ED project, thus providing both, contrasted data and solid theoretical background and development. Some examples of these actions are interactive groups (or heterogeneous grouping in the classroom with reorganisation of human resources), extension of the learning time, homework clubs, tutored libraries, family and community educative participation, family education, or dialogic literary gatherings. All these actions have been defined as successful educational actions, which mean that they lead to both efficiency and equity. Finally, recommendations for policy and practice are included and discussed.

What Successful Teachers Do in Inclusive Classrooms

Inclusion. The concept is familiar, but the process can be difficult. This comprehensive guide gives prospective and practicing teachers the tools and techniques needed to support inclusion in the classroom. Thirty-seven highly regarded education experts from across the United States and Canada describe specific strategies that teachers can put to use immediately. Using real-life models, they offer proven methods for addressing behavior and learning problems and achieving positive results in the classroom. In this practical textbook, educators will find suggestions for fostering positive self-identification for individual children and productive classroom interaction among students. Instructors will learn how to

collaborate with students, families, and other school personnel to design and adjust curricula to meet all students' needs. And they'll get answers to frequently asked questions regarding teaching methods, administrative issues, curriculum content and materials, technical assistance, augmentative and alternative communication system, and cultural diversity. Successful inclusion benefits all children by broadening perspectives and providing opportunities to lead fuller lives. Inclusion: A Guide for Educators has the practical strategies every teacher needs to facilitate learning and mutual respect in today's diverse classrooms.

Brain-Friendly Strategies for the Inclusion Classroom

Accelerated Strategy Development and Execution The company of today has its supply chains and finances stretched further around the globe than ever before while simultaneously having increasing pressures to drive value across a complicated and fluid set of metrics and deliver innovations, products, and services more quickly and reliably. The competitive advantage belongs to the companies that can quicken their vision-building and strategy-execution efforts—the ones that can identify challenges more swiftly and accelerate their decision making so they are better able to formulate and deploy responses decisively yet with greater agility. To successfully accomplish this, companies will have to prioritize creating a culture of leadership that strengthens communication skills and emphasizes systems thinking by building capacity and capability that cuts across the business smokestacks and permeates the entire organization. In State of Readiness, Joseph F. Paris Jr. shares over thirty years of international business and operations experience and guides C-suite executives and business-operations and -improvement specialists on a path toward operational excellence, the organizational capability and situational awareness that is attained as the enterprise reaches a state of alignment for pursuing its strategies. In doing so, create a corporate culture that is committed to the continuous and deliberate improvement of company performance and the circumstances of those who work there—a precursor to becoming a high-performance organization.

The Educator's Handbook for Inclusive School Practices

Provides information the history, legal aspects, rationales, and facilitation of inclusive education.

Teaching Every Student in the Digital Age

In the second edition of Demystifying Secondary Inclusion, acclaimed author, professor and teacher trainer, Dr. Lisa Dieker, provides practical, realistic and helpful ideas and techniques for including students with disabilities in the general education classroom. In truly inclusive classrooms, teachers focus on practices that are proven and promising for all students.

Teachers understand the individualistic nature of learners, put students at the center of planning and instruction, and accept responsibility for teaching each and every student. Chapters 1-3 of *Demystifying Secondary Inclusion* detail ways of ensuring that students with disabilities are included in the general education environment. In Chapters 4-7, additional instructional strategies for embracing all learners are presented. This section also focuses on creating an inclusive classroom climate that facilitates successful learning outcomes. Chapter 8 provides concrete ways to prepare staff for the process of developing and maintaining an inclusive environment and offers examples of successful practices from strong schools. Each chapter ends with a set of questions to encourage reflection on current practice. Seven overarching and interdependent topics provide the basic structure for inclusion outlined in *Demystifying Secondary Inclusion*. These include: Creating an inclusive school-wide culture Celebrating the success of all students Developing interdisciplinary collaboration Implementing effective co-teaching Establishing acting learning environments Implementing successful instruction Improving grading and assessments The book specifically addresses the most frequent obstacles to inclusion at the secondary level and provides hands-on strategies for improving the teaching-learning process.

New Directions in Special Education

Creating an inclusive classroom means understanding federal legislation as well as national and state standards, but the practical and streamlined seventh edition of *Creating Inclusive Classrooms: Effective and Reflective Practices* recognizes that it means more than that. This text goes beyond the typical inclusion text, translating theory and research into practices you can use in your inclusive classroom by illustrating the principles of effective inclusion through classroom scenarios, online footage, and successful strategies. The text has the most current vision of today's inclusive classroom, which truly helps you create a successful educational experience for all students. New to This Edition: *NEW UDL and You features throughout the text guide you in understanding and implementing the principles of universal design to help all learners access the general education curriculum and succeed in inclusive classrooms.

Effective Inclusive Schools

How can classroom teachers effectively differentiate learning and teaching programs to provide for the needs of every student in their class? This best-selling text begins by asking "Why include all students?" in regular classrooms and then shows how this can be done. It outlines the philosophy of inclusive education and focuses on the use of individualised planning and effective teaching practices to maximise learning outcomes within positive and productive environments. Vignettes and narratives provide real-life examples that help put the theory in context. This fifth edition includes broader coverage of issues to do with diversity and individual differences, particularly cultural and multicultural inclusion, linguistic diversity and giftedness. There is more throughout on the universal design for learning framework and on partnerships with

families, while new pedagogical features encourage readers to reflect. Throughout, it emphasises a practical, research-based approach to teaching that can be applied to support students with a range of differences and additional needs.

Handbook of Effective Inclusive Schools

This accessible book presents research-based strategies for supporting K-8 students with high-incidence disabilities to become accomplished learners. The authors clearly describe the core components of effective inclusive instruction, showing how to recognize and respond to individual students' needs quickly and appropriately. Teachers are provided with essential tools for managing inclusive classrooms; planning a curriculum that fosters concept development across content areas, promotes strategic learning, and builds fluent skill use; and integrating technology into instruction. Case examples illustrate ways that special and general education teachers can work together successfully to solve complex learning problems and improve outcomes for students who are struggling.

How Did You Get Here?

Across OECD countries, almost one in every five students does not reach a basic minimum level of skills. This book presents a series of policy recommendations for education systems to help all children succeed.

Teaching in Tandem

This is the eBook of the printed book and may not include any media, website access codes, or print supplements that may come packaged with the bound book. Balancing foundational information with a real world approach to inclusion, *Inclusion: Effective Practices for All Students, 2e* equips teachers to create effective inclusive classrooms. The most applied text in the market, this second edition sharpens its focus and its organization to more clearly outline best practices for inclusive classrooms. The book's three part structure opens with the foundational materials you'll need to truly understand inclusive classrooms, followed by brief categorical chapters to give you the information you need to meet the needs of all students. Finally, field tested and research based classroom strategies are laid out on perforated pages to make the transition from theory to practice seamless.

Inclusive Special Education

This volume focuses on evidence-based practices (EBPs) , supported, sound research studies documenting their effectiveness with a target population. As such, EBPs have significant potential to improve the outcomes of learners with

learning and behavioral disorders.

School, Family, and Community Partnerships

A fresh research-based model for schoolwide inclusion: that's what education teams will have with this how-to guidebook, filled with practical forms and down-to-earth strategies for leading inclusion efforts and monitoring their success.

Successful Educational Actions for Inclusion and Social Cohesion in Europe

How to raise the achievement of all kids, from gifted to those with severe disabilities This book presents lessons learned from in-depth case studies of some of our most effective inclusive public schools. The authors conclusively demonstrate that schools can educate students with mild and severe disabilities in general education classrooms by providing special education services that link to and bolster general education instruction. This goes beyond complying with Special Education law; having a truly inclusive environment raises the achievement level for all students and results in more committed and satisfied teachers. Insights shared from teachers, school leaders, parents, and the students themselves provide a path forward for anyone striving to improve special education services. The authors reveal what these exemplary schools do that makes them so successful, and provide advice for readers who want to incorporate these practices themselves. Hehir, former U.S. Office of Special Education (OSEP) Director, is a leading name in Special Education Highlights the important relationships between administrators, teachers, and parents to foster maximum collaboration between general and special education Includes information on committing to Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and Positive Behavior Supports This vital resource zeroes in on what excellent public schools do differently to ensure all students succeed.

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Effective Inclusive Schools

The tools you need to build meaningful inclusive practices into your education program. Featuring materials relevant to all stages of implementation, The Inclusion Toolbox is an all-in-one resource that combines research-based strategies and practical tools to help you design and implement a truly inclusive education program. You'll discover: Step-by-step plans for implementing new programs. Guidance on how to strengthen existing inclusive programs. Strategies to empower and involve families, students with disabilities, and their peers. Tools to assess student interests and develop adaptation plans. With user-friendly online resources and practical strategies, this comprehensive guide will help you make inclusion a reality!

Demystifying Secondary Inclusion

Dr. Griffiths' *Principals of Inclusion* is both a practical, realistic blueprint and an inspiring call to action for accelerating schools/school systems in their search to optimize all students' potential (inclusion). In an information age and an increasingly interconnected Global Village, no student's potential can afford to be wasted, especially by exclusionary educational practices/traditions (either conscious or unconscious). Dr. Griffiths writes clearly, using universal metaphors/tactics applicable to all educational situations.

Principals of Inclusion

Offers step-by-step guidance for creating successful inclusion programs for children with autistic spectrum disorders, and includes information on such key topics as educator roles, ongoing program assessment, and evaluating student progress.

Inclusion Strategies That Work!

Remember those great teachers who made you excited about learning? Remember how it felt to be in their classes and to experience how they made their classrooms come alive? What made those teachers special? What qualities and skills did they have to ignite student learning? Most important, how did those teachers help their students become successful? In *Qualities of Effective Teachers*, 2nd edition, James H. Stronge shows educators how to recreate this same excitement and enthusiasm in their own classrooms by describing the characteristics and skills of effective teachers. Stronge synthesizes

research to identify specific teacher behaviors that contribute to student achievement. Rather than look at outside factors like demographics, district leadership, and state mandates, Stronge focuses specifically on what teachers can control: their own preparation, personality, and practices. Learn how effective teachers

- *Prepare to be effective educators.
- *Establish, manage, and maintain learning-focused classroom environments.
- *Organize time, communicate expectations, and plan instruction.
- *Present curriculum to support active and engaged learning.
- *Monitor student progress, identify student potential, and meet the needs of special populations in the classroom.

This second edition includes new tips and tools for engaging at-risk students and high-ability students. It also includes skills checklists and an expanded, annotated bibliography to provide a springboard for further insight and exploration. Teachers, educators who hire teachers, teacher leaders, supervisors, and teachers-in-training can all use this book to learn to how to develop better teachers and to improve the quality of learning for all students.

Leadership Strategies for Successful Schoolwide Inclusion

Over the last decade, the educational context for students with disabilities has significantly changed primarily as a result of mandates contained in NCLB and IDEA. The purpose of this book is to summarize the research literature regarding how students might be provided classrooms and schools that are both inclusive and effective. Inclusive schools are defined as places where students with disabilities are valued and active participants in academic and social activities and are given supports that help them succeed. Effectiveness is addressed within the current movement toward multi-tiered systems of support and evidence-based practices that meet the demands of high-stakes accountability.

Collaboration for Inclusive Education

How Did You Get Here? chronicles the educational experiences—from early childhood through college—of sixteen students with disabilities and their paths to personal and academic success at Harvard University.

Inclusive Schools in Action

Draws from brain research and advances in digital technology to explore the concept of universal design for learning and how it can help meet educational standards while addressing the unique needs of each student.

The Inclusion Toolbox

This is the practical, friendly guide SLPs need to go beyond pull-out services and deliver successful communication and

language supports as part of an inclusive school team.

Inclusion in Action

This thoroughly updated edition of the best-selling book gives all classroom teachers, special educators, and administrators an arsenal of adaptable and ready-to-use strategies, lessons, and activities. *How to Reach and Teach All Children in the Inclusive Classroom* is a comprehensive resource that helps teachers reach students with varied learning styles, ability levels, skills, and behaviors. The authors offer a team approach that includes parents, colleagues, and learning specialists, enabling teachers to guide diverse groups of students in grades 3-8 toward academic, social, and emotional success.

Your Students, My Students, Our Students

Strengthen family and community engagement to promote equity and increase student success! When schools, families, and communities collaborate and share responsibility for students' education, more students succeed in school. Based on 30 years of research and fieldwork, this fourth edition of a bestseller provides tools and guidelines to use to develop more effective and equitable programs of family and community engagement. Written by a team of well-known experts, this foundational text demonstrates a proven approach to implement and sustain inclusive, goal-oriented programs. Readers will find: Many examples and vignettes Rubrics and checklists for implementation of plans CD-ROM complete with slides and notes for workshop presentations

State of Readiness

This book provides educators with the theoretical foundations and practical strategies they need to create meaningful lessons for, and support all students within, a fully inclusive general education classroom. It features detailed descriptions of three sample classrooms (Grades 1, 3, and 5), each including In-depth profiles of 20 students that reflect the diversity of today's general-education classrooms Eight sample lesson plans teaching grade-level content in core subjects and specials Dozens of effective inclusive practices, adaptable for any classroom, to support individual students and groups.

Special Needs in the Classroom

Co-teaching is an equal partnership between a special education teacher and a general education teacher. They share a classroom and responsibilities for teaching all students in the class. But what does co-teaching look like? How does it work? Are we doing it right? Finding the answers to these questions is critical to the effectiveness of a co-teaching program that is

grounded in inclusive educational practices. In this book, you'll learn how co-teachers * Define what effective co-teaching is and what it is not; * Engage students in evolving groups, using multiple perspectives for meaningful learning opportunities; * Resolve differences in teaching and assessment practices; * Respond to parents and students about inclusion and co-teaching concerns; and * Organize and teach an equitable, inclusive classroom. Concise and informative answers to questions posed by real teachers, administrators, and parents help you learn about the components of co-teaching. And vignettes about issues that arise in co-teaching situations will help you start conversations and solve day-to-day challenges inherent to co-teaching. Whether you're already involved in co-teaching programs or are soon to embark on the effort, *Teaching in Tandem* provides knowledge and tools that you can use to create effective partnerships and powerful learning environments for teachers and students alike. Every teacher, principal, administrator, and paraprofessional who participates in co-teaching--or who is worried about how to address inclusion--needs this book. An additional annotated resource list is available online, along with an ASCD Study Guide.

Inclusion

Much has been written about special education and about inclusive education, but there have been few attempts to pull these two concepts and approaches together. This book does just that: sets special education within the context of inclusive education. It posits that to include, effectively, all children with special educational needs in schools requires an integration of both concepts, approaches, and techniques. It has never been more timely to publish a book that helps professionals who work with schools, such as psychologists, special education professionals, and counselors, to identify effective practices for children with special needs and provide guidelines for implementing these in inclusive schools.

The Speech-Language Pathologist's Handbook for Inclusive School Practices

Test-drive these research-based strategies in your inclusive classroom! Bridging the gap between theory and practice, this book focuses on extending academic research to classroom practices that address the problems faced by teachers working with special needs learners in inclusive classrooms. It outlines a full range of research-based strategies that can be interwoven and tailored to create the best instructional plan for special learners, including: A straightforward one-line action statement An easy-to-read synthesis of relevant studies Specific tactics for immediate application in the classroom Pointers on how to identify and avoid potential pitfalls Sources for further reading on the research/strategy outlined

Qualities of Effective Teachers

As more K-12 schools move toward inclusion, how can general and special educators work together to create warm,

welcoming classrooms where all students learn and belong? Discover practical answers in this friendly, down-to-earth teacher's guide. Filled with ready-to-use teaching tips, insights from inclusive educators, and examples that relate directly to everyday classroom experiences, this book will help general and special educators collaborate effectively and build a great toolbox of strategies to support all learners within inclusive classrooms. With this highly motivating guidebook close at hand, new and seasoned educators will create engaging, exciting, and joyful inclusive classrooms that support social and academic success for all. **STRATEGIES THAT HELP TEACHERS:** ensure that all students have access to the general education curriculum in the least restrictive environment presume competence and recognize every student's unique strengths meet students' individual learning needs with differentiated lessons and innovative academic supports team up and collaborate with other educators and professionals to make the most of everyone's expertise distinguish an IEP from a 504 plan, and develop and implement both appropriately support students who have behavior challenges with a classroom-wide positive behavior support system promote academic and social inclusion in the classroom and in recreational spaces, from the playground to the lunchroom supervise the important work of paraprofessionals avoid burnout with self-care strategies and stress-busters **PRACTICAL RESOURCES:** Planning tools and checklists to help you identify student strengths, develop IEPs, plan lessons, strengthen co-teaching, choose modifications and accommodations, and more. "

Inclusion

This book is designed to teach preservice and advanced education professionals how to work with others to develop successful inclusive education programs for students with unique learning needs. The content, examples, and related skill-building activities enable readers to develop the essential knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed to serve as leaders in this effort. In addition to successful collaboration, careful consideration has been given to other important issues related to program development such as staffing, instructional planning, ongoing classroom support, and IEP development. Issues addressed at the district, school, and classroom levels. **KEY FEATURES:** An emphasis on essential program features required for lasting success in inclusive education. Careful consideration of the change process as schools attempt to modify their traditional support service delivery options. Strategies to facilitate school-home teamwork in the development student IEPs based on collaborative service delivery structures. This book is appropriate for educators with a wide variety of professional roles and leadership responsibilities including general educators, special educators, education specialists, administrators, and related services providers such as school psychologists, counselors, speech and language pathologists, occupational and physical therapists, and English-as-Second-Language (ESL), reading, and gifted education specialists. In addition, it is designed for use in staff development efforts and as a personal reference for practicing professionals.

Leading an Inclusive School

Universal Design for Learning (UDL) is the best way to teach all students effectively but how can a busy teacher get started with UDL right now? With this book, you will learn how to use the three key principles of UDL: Engagement, Representation, and Action & Expression to present information in multiple ways and meet the needs of diverse learners. Written in first person, like a face-to-face talk with a passionate educator, the book gives teachers a reader-friendly UDL primer and a practical framework for implementation, with detailed guidelines on lesson planning and checkpoints that help them stay on track.

Picture Inclusion!

Many teachers in regular classrooms feel unprepared to teach students with learning disabilities. Fortunately, brain research has confirmed that strategies benefiting learners with special challenges are suited for engaging and stimulating all learners. In this book, neurologist and classroom teacher Judy Willis explains that we can best help students by putting in place strategies, accommodations, and interventions that provide developmentally and academically appropriate challenges to suit the needs, gifts, and goals of each student. *Brain-Friendly Strategies for the Inclusion Classroom* will help teachers

- * Understand how the brain learns and the technologies that reveal this process.
- * Implement strategies that are compatible with students' individual learning styles and honor their multiple intelligences.
- * Improve the focus of students with attention disorders and help them gain the confidence and skills they need to develop goal-oriented behaviors.
- * Create an enriching learning environment by incorporating student-centered activities, discovery and hands-on learning experiences, cross-curricular learning, and multisensory lessons.
- * Implement strategic review, study, and test preparation strategies that will allow students to retain information and connect it with future learning.
- * Build safe, supportive classroom communities and raise class awareness and empathy for students with learning disabilities.

It's time for teachers to lower the barriers, not the bar. Using strategies that align with research on how people's brains function, teachers can engage all students as individuals and help them reach their maximum potential with joy and confidence.

Inclusive Instruction

A comprehensive study that is also practical and realistic, *New Directions in Special Education* outlines principles for decisionmaking about special education at every level—from the family to the classroom, school, and district—and for state and federal policy. With this volume, leading scholar and disability advocate Thomas Hehir opens a new round of debate on the future of special education. Extending the conceptual framework developed in his seminal 2002 article in the *Harvard Educational Review*, "Eliminating Ableism in Education," Hehir examines the ways that cultural attitudes about disability systematically distort the education of children with special needs and uses this analysis to lay out a fresh approach to special education policy and practice. Hehir traces the roots of "ableism"—the pervasive devaluation of people with

disabilities—and shows how negative attitudes continue to shape debates in the field. He assesses recent trends in special education policy, particularly the shift of emphasis from compliance to outcomes, and discusses in depth the successes and limitations of the inclusion movement. He also investigates the impact of standards-based reforms on children with disabilities and critically examines the promise of Universal Design for Learning.

Evidence-Based Practices

Offers a ten-step plan to achieve positive academic and social outcomes for students with or without disabilities.

Creating Inclusive Classrooms

Your Students, My Students, Our Students explores the hard truths of current special education practice and outlines five essential disruptions to the status quo. Authors Lee Ann Jung, Nancy Frey, Douglas Fisher, and Julie Kroener show you how to - Establish a school culture that champions equity and inclusion. - Rethink the long-standing structure of least restrictive environment and the resulting service delivery. - Leverage the strengths of all educators to provide appropriate support and challenge. - Collaborate on the delivery of instruction and intervention. - Honor the aspirations of each student and plan accordingly. To realize authentic and equitable inclusion, we must relentlessly and collectively pursue change. This book—written not for "special educators" or "general educators" but for all educators—addresses the challenges, maps out the solutions, and provides tools and inspiration for the work ahead. Real-life examples of empowerment and success illustrate just what's possible when educators commit to the belief that every student belongs to all of us and all students deserve learning experiences that will equip them to live full and rewarding lives.

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