



The Access Center

Improving Outcomes for All Students K-8

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Welcome to the second newsletter for you, The Access Center's District Information Sharing Community! We'll be sending you a new newsletter every other month that's full of resources focused on a specific topic. This month, you'll find numerous Web-based resources on Inclusion.

If you have questions or comments, e-mail us at jbootel@air.org or call 202/403-5512. Visit the Access Center's Web site at <http://www.k8accesscenter.org>

National Inclusive Schools Week

<http://www.inclusiveschools.org/>

The Urban Special Education Leadership Collaborative and the Education Development Center, Inc have begun to organize the fifth annual National Inclusive Schools Week, held this year from December 5-9, 2005. This week celebrates schools' accomplishments toward providing a quality education to all students and encourages increased discussion among educators, students, and families concerning ways to improve inclusive practices to promote the success of all children. This site also provides participant information, a planning kit with suggested activities, as well as links to general inclusion resources.

LD On-Line

http://www.ldonline.org/ld_indepth/teaching_techniques/inclusion.html

LDO nLine has many useful resources on topics pertaining to learning disabilities, and this link for teachers yields several articles specifically on inclusion in the classroom.

Inclusive Education

<http://www.uni.edu/coe/inclusion/>

This online resource provides a wealth of inclusion information and resources, including an explanation of the philosophy behind inclusion, the legal requirements relating to inclusion, as well as the benefits of inclusion. This site also provides suggested teaching strategies and proposes ways that principals, educators, students, and families can prepare for the transition to educationally inclusive settings.

Inclusion...Yours, Mine, Ours

<http://www.rushservices.com/Inclusion/homepage.htm>

This site, sponsored by the Florida Inclusion Network, provides inclusion resources for administrators, educators, parents, and students. Content includes suggestions for teachers, co-teaching models, case studies, and many more inclusion resources.

Ideal Lives Project

<http://www.ideallives.com/resources.php?a=lc&lid=33>

The Ideal Lives Project is committed to providing practical information, ideas, and internet resources to parents, teachers, and disability professionals. This site offers concise, practical tips on topics that are relevant to your life as well as extensive links to other high quality information on disability topics. Click on the professional development link or the inclusion center link for on-line articles and access to other informative sites.

Circle of Inclusion

<http://www.circleofinclusion.org>

The Circle of Inclusion web Site is for early childhood services providers and families of young children with disabilities. The site offers demonstrations of and information about the effective practices of inclusive educational programs for children birth through eight. Articles, Briefs and useful forms can be found under the 'Download Materials' section. The 'Interactive Lesson' section includes case studies with related activities.