

Committee of School Councils Meeting

Inclusive Education and Specialized Programming within EIPS: PALS to Grade 12

Virtual Meeting April 7, 2021 Marcus Reed Director, Specialized Supports

Inclusion

• Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) believes in the inclusion of all children and students in a way that maximizes their learning potential and fosters their sense of belonging to the school community and our larger society. Inclusion is an approach, not a place—a valuesbased approach to accepting responsibility for all children and students.

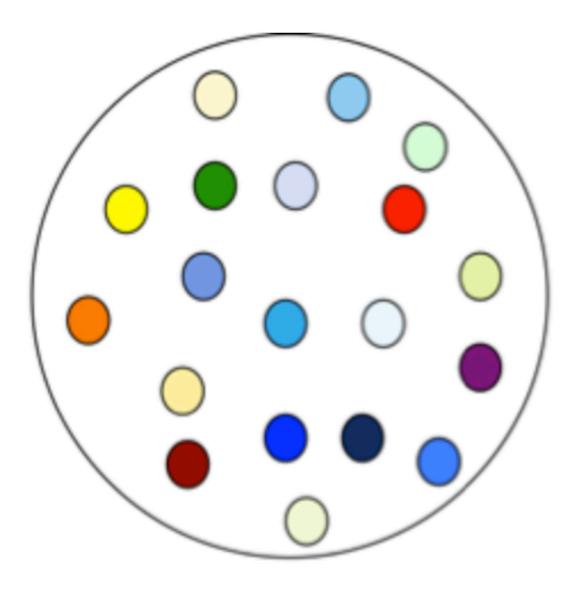
Successful inclusion involves:

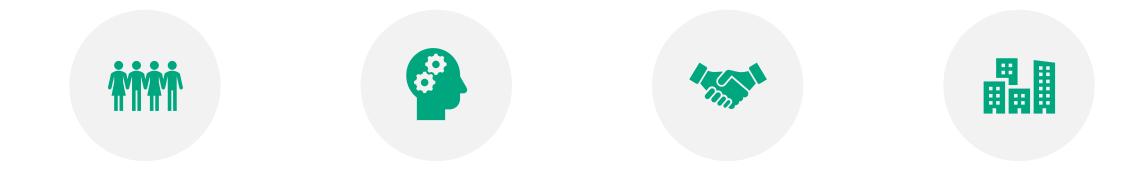
- a set of deeply held beliefs and values that encompass a sense of community and the fact that all children and students belong to the community and that all children and students can learn;
- effective teaching and learning for all learners;
- a commitment to professional learning on the part of teachers and support staff;
- a commitment to teamwork and a willingness to share expertise and learn from one another;
- a collaborative approach with families where they have the opportunities and support they need to help their children be successful learners and to contribute to decision-making about their child's education;
- thoughtful and intentional planning for academic and social development opportunities for all children and students; and
- a school culture and environment where everyone belongs and everyone learns together.

What is Inclusion?

What does this look like in Elk Island Public Schools?

Inclusive Schools, Inclusive Communities





VALUING DIVERSITY GROWTH MINDSET WORKING TOWARDS BUILDING STRONG INDEPENDENCE COMMUNITIES

What does inclusion look like in Elk Island Public Schools?

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Faces of Inclusion

A great start to learning



Faces of Inclusion Programming Priorities _ Programming Needs



Faces of Inclusion

Inclusive, specialized programs



Faces of Inclusion

"What's best for kids?"



Questions?