

Value the diversity every student brings to the school

A suggestion for implementing the strategy
'Model a commitment to inclusion' from the
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Includes:

- Build effective relationships
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Build effective relationships

Engagement works well when relationships between parents and the people at the school are developed and nurtured in ways that respect diversity.

Source:

[Partners in learning: Parents' voices \(ERO, 2008\)](#)

<https://ero.govt.nz/our-research/partners-in-learning-parents-voices>

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A principal's view of inclusion

David Macleod describes how they include and support all students at Mahurangi College.



Video hosted on Youtube <http://youtu.be/M7uBDwWv1eA>

Closed Captions

Source:

Ministry of Education | Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga (NZ)
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Share stories about ALL students

Consider how your school can share its journey towards becoming a more inclusive learning community.

Consider how to share:

- illustrated success stories about ALL students
- student, parent, family, and teacher perspectives on diversity
- the school's vision and the steps you are taking towards becoming a more inclusive community
- teacher stories about their own evolving inclusive practice
- stories in all the languages of the school community
- digital text, print, and video versions of stories, providing parents and whānau a range of access options that work best for them.

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Benefits of diversity

Mark Spooner



Video hosted on Youtube <http://youtu.be/7ZGgntl4OPE>

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Source:

[inclusiveed \(Canada\)](#)

<https://youtu.be/7ZGgntl4OPE?list=PL7365F7B3EE14143>

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Useful resources



Index for Inclusion Network: Indicators

This is a set of materials to support the self-review of all aspects of a school setting. Indicators start from page 39.

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