Inclusive Practice Tool: Example Artifact List

A RESOURCE FOR SUPPORTING INCLUSIVE PRACTICE

Inclusive practice refers to the instructional and behavioral strategies that improve academic and socialemotional outcomes for **all students**, with and without disabilities, in general education settings.

To support inclusive practice, the tools of this *Guidebook* are based on the frameworks of <u>Universal Design for</u> <u>Learning</u>, <u>Positive Behavioral</u> <u>Interventions and Supports</u>, and <u>Social and Emotional Learning</u>.

How do I use this tool?

Artifacts are a form of evidence that educators can use to tell the story of their classrooms and showcase their instructional practices. The Example Artifact List is designed to support educators in the process of gathering artifacts, while strengthening inclusive practices. This tool will also aid in the process of providing authentic evidence within the educator evaluation cycle.

Directions: Classroom educators can use this tool when compiling artifacts of inclusive practice. **Building administrators** can use this tool to support classroom educators and target feedback and supports to meet the needs of educators and students. **District administrators** can use this tool to support inclusive practice across schools.

The *Guidebook* tools are designed to strengthen inclusive practices and empower educators to meet the needs of all students by leveraging and augmenting the educator evaluation process. Although each tool is designed as a stand-alone resource, many tools mutually support educator practice. This tool has a strong relationship to the following *Guidebook* tools:

- Tool 2a: <u>Massachusetts Classroom Teacher Rubric Resource</u>
- Tool 4a: <u>What to Look For—Observations</u>
- Tool 4b: What to Look For—Observation Feedback
- Tool 5a: Lesson Plan Artifact Review
- Tool 6d: <u>Alternative Strategies to Obtain Student Feedback</u>

Power Element	Example Artifacts to Support Best Practices in Accessible Instruction and Positive Behavior Supports
Child and Adolescent Development (I-A-2)	 Lesson materials that provide students with information in a variety of modalities
	 Assignments or activities that activate prior knowledge
	 Templates or graphic organizers used to assist processing, visualization, and manipulation of information
	 Lessons that reflect a balance of collaborative learning and direct instruction
	 Lessons that offer students choices of how they demonstrate mastery
	 Lessons that incorporate competence building (e.g., modeling, practicing, feedback, and coaching)
	 Behavioral data collection tools (e.g., ABC charts, frequency counts, momentary time sampling)
Variety of Assessment Methods (I-B-1)	 Templates for student self-assessment, self-reflection, goal setting, and progress monitoring
	 Observation checklist for informal assessments (academic, behavioral, social- emotional)
	 Assessments that have options for multiple forms of expression such as presentations, posters, and essays
	 Assessments with options for paper-and-pencil or computer-based tasks
	 Exit slips, with details of how responses were used to adjust instruction
	 Peer conferencing form or peer feedback sheet used by students to provide feedback to peers
	 Alternative assessments and work samples, including those aligned with IEPs
Adjustment to Practice (I-B-2)	 Data charts to monitor progress across a variety of assessments in a specific area
	 A whole-classroom improvement goal to support specific areas of focus and recognize or celebrate improvements (e.g., project based, social-emotional, behavioral improvements)
	 Multiple examples of student annotated work
	 Graphs and charts showing progress over time
	 Process portfolios
	 Review of practice to assess fidelity of implementation

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Meeting Diverse Needs (II-A-3)	 Identified flexible small instructional groupings and flexible partners or pairings that are regularly used
	 Lessons involving cooperative groupings
	 Tiered interventions that offer varying levels of support to students based on need
	 Goal setting sheets used to develop collective accountability and individual accountability
	 Timelines to guide appropriate goal setting
	 Lessons that include the use of technology (e.g., assistive devices, computers, projectors, laptops, tablets)
	 Note-taking templates provided to students that can be accessed in multiple ways (e.g., computer, tablet, paper)
	 Special education tracking data and IEP progress reports
Safe Learning Environment (II-B-1)	 Posted daily schedule or schedule of use of centers or stations—explicitly taught then reinforced using an acknowledgment system
	 Posted positively stated behavioral expectations—explicitly taught then reinforced using an acknowledgment system
	 Classroom recognition system to provide positive reinforcement for expected and modeled behaviors
	 A bulletin board or visual of the shared norms and values of the classroom
	 Reflection form or checklist for students to reflect on their assignments (self- assessment)
	 Class schedule that offers and allows for a variety of whole-class, small-group, partner, and individual instructional options
Access to Knowledge	 Templates or graphic organizers used to assist processing, visualization, and manipulation of information
(II-D-3)	 Nonlinguistic supports such as pictures or videos to support instruction
	 Use of text-to-speech options to allow students multiple ways to gain knowledge and demonstrate their mastery
	 Visual imagery to activate prior knowledge
	 Templates to provide examples and non-examples to build vocabulary
	 Checklists, organizers, sticky notes, electronic reminders
	 Use of analogy or metaphor and dramatization to imbed new ideas into familiar ideas
	 Visual schedule or routine with variations in pacing of tasks

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Two-Way Communication (III-C-1)	 Parent or guardian survey at the beginning of the year to determine preferred forms of communication
	 Biweekly or monthly e-mails to families sharing class updates and tips for reinforcing lessons at home
	 E-mail or phone log documenting conversations regarding student performance
	 E-mails or notices in families' native languages
	 Log of efforts made to ensure that meetings and calls were conducted in families' home languages (e.g., using interpreters)
	 Agenda from a parent, family, and teacher meeting (e.g., PTO) during which the educator made a presentation or facilitated a discussion
Reflective	Teacher reflection: What worked well? What is an area in need of improvement?
Practice	Student reflection: What worked well? What is an area in need of improvement?
(IV-A-1)	Lesson or intervention reflection: Was this lesson research based? How do I know?
	 Meeting agenda documenting efforts to share strategies for reflection at faculty, grade- level, or department meetings
	 Classroom contract or behavioral strategy implemented in classroom and shared with colleagues via e-mail or at faculty, grade-level, or department meeting
	 Student surveys to gather actionable feedback about inclusive practice
	 Inclusive Practice Tool 5a: Lesson Plan Artifact Review
Shared Responsibility (IV-E-1)	 Lesson plans that target school-wide initiatives and best practices
	 Lesson or unit plans that culminate in a school-wide or grade-level demonstration or product (e.g., mural, collage, science fair, etc.)
	 Collaborative meeting notes to discuss specific areas of strength and areas in need of improvement with action plan (academic, behavioral, social-emotional)
	 Action plans for school-wide positive behavior celebrations
	 School-wide character education texts, assignments, or activities
	 Correspondence with families to introduce interdisciplinary initiatives or events