



Inclusion is Not Just a Buzzword

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Inclusion in preschool is not just a buzzword; it's a crucial foundation for a brighter and more equitable future.

Inclusion includes all children, no matter their abilities. Children and families learn acceptance and learn from each other. In an inclusive program, children with special needs are provided equal opportunity to participate in programs and activities. They learn problem-solving skills, positive self-image, social-emotional skills, and respect for others. These programs work together and create partnerships with families to help children reach their developmental milestones.

The inclusion department at the Early Learning Coalition of Duval is working to help providers create a more inclusive program in their schools. We assist families with resources that will provide their children with intervention. We educate providers and families on developmental milestones and age-appropriate behaviors. We are a support system for families as they learn about their child's ability and connect with the appropriate agencies.

If you have more questions about inclusion, contact us at 904-208-2044, option 6.