



10 Reasons Why We Need Neurodiversity in Education

1. Higher expectations lead to higher achievement
2. To replace a deficit paradigm with a growth paradigm
3. To support the inclusion movement
4. To align brain diversity with other diversity programs in the schools.
5. To give all kids a chance to succeed in the 21st century.
6. To serve as a stimulus for reform in education.
7. To reduce bullying in the classroom.
8. So we can hear the voices of those who can change the world.
9. To have a wide diversity of minds that can adapt to whatever may happen in the future.
10. So our kids will be happier.



How Can I Begin to Use This?

- ❖ Niche Construction-changing the environment
- ❖ Strength Based Assessments
 - ❖ BERS
 - ❖ Strength Explorer
 - ❖ Neurodiversity Strengths Checklist
- ❖ Parent Involvement in ARD
- ❖ Positive Time Out
- ❖ Brain Breaks
- ❖ UDL-what is good for 1 or more diversities is good for ALL



10 Classroom Strategies for ADHD

1. Let them fidget
2. Provide exercise breaks
3. Use positive time out
4. Go outside to learn
5. Use active learning
6. Discover student's strengths
7. Teach self-monitoring
8. Teach stress management skills
9. Make learning physical
10. Engage novel strategies