Diocesan Road Map
for Building Inclusive Approaches

Establish the "Why"

The Catholic Church has many beautiful documents that present a case for "why" of including persons with disabilities. Start with that! By embracing inclusive approaches is to re-affirm our Catholic Identity.

Create Alliances

Find your allies! And if you can't find any-build them. Include numerous stakeholders, and don't forget the pastors. Include your stakeholders in understanding the "why."

Develop Central Office Supports

Create a resource person at the central office that support local efforts. It is important that there is a person who can help troubleshoot difficult situations or brainstorm options when schools are stuck.

Build School Capacity

Target professional development opportunities to help build the capacity of schools to implement inclusive approaches.

Support Local Efforts

Identify additional funding opportunities to support local efforts. Encourage and facilitate collaborative relationships among diocesan schools to create inclusive opportunities for students.