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.