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Promising Practices for Elementary Teachers

Your desk reference for success with exceptional students As education trends promote the inclusion of students with special needs, this book is the perfect resource for teachers and administrators who need to know what works...and what doesn't. With personal experiences, references, and reproducibles, this book identifies evidence-based practices in an easy-access format. The editors and authors examine how special educational needs affect: Content areas like reading and math Specialization areas like autism and learning disabilities Pedagogical areas like culturally responsive practices and accommodations Other critical areas like legal issues, behavior challenges, and home-school collaboration

Word Study in the Inclusive Secondary Classroom

The Oxford Handbook of School Psychology focuses on significant issues, new developments, and scientific findings that influence current research and practice in the ever-growing field of school psychology.

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Teaching Children and Adolescents with Special Needs

Evidence-Based Interventions for Students with Learning and Behavioral Challenges

This book offers educators tools to break the cycle of failure for students who are unsuccessful in school, including alternative instructional strategies, practices for vulnerable children, and more.

Methods and Strategies for Teaching Students with High Incidence Disabilities

With collaboration so vital to today's educational arena, this thorough, well-organized, highly readable text concentrates on the general process of teaching—the basic “how to do it”—to help prospective teachers of children with mild disabilities in grades K–12 learn to work effectively with students, other teachers, and families. Basing coverage on their extensive experience, the authors present practical, research-based teaching strategies that relate to everyday occurrences in schools; provide motivating, experience-based activities; and offer numerous detailed lesson plans. Their personal, conversational writing style makes even complex concepts accessible, while their extensive coverage gives readers a solid understanding of what works and what doesn't in both special education classrooms and inclusive settings. For future teachers of elementary school students with mild disabilities and learning problems.

Psychology of Education: The school curriculum

This book provides an accessible introduction to the field of cognitive education. It explains the concepts commonly found in the cognitive psychology and cognitive education literatures, theories and models of human thinking and intelligent behavior, and how these have been applied to psychoeducational assessment, instruction, and the adaption of student behavior. The book includes numerous examples to explain the concepts, theories, and applications, and includes supplementary reading lists and study questions.

Positive Behavior Support at the Secondary "Targeted Group" Level

The contributors to this volume represent the most prominent researchers and thinkers on issues in educating students with and without disabilities. The book captures the most current thinking, research, and analysis on the full range of issues in educating students with learning disabilities, from its definition to the most recent case law and interpretations of federal law on educating these students in the general education classroom. The contributors' words speak sufficiently, mellifluously, and exactly about their contributions to the education of all students, in particular those with disabilities. This book of essays was written to pay tribute to Barbara D. Bateman, who -- along with Sam Kirk -- coined the term "learning disabilities." Its content reflects the significance of her contributions to

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the field of special education.

School Violence Intervention

This exciting addition to scholarly practice showcases a range of invited national and international authors who bring together their expertise, knowledge and previous studies to this edition. It is the fourth book in the series *Global Education In the 21st Century* and focuses upon mentoring in education

School Social Work

Teaching Children with High-Level Autism combines the perspectives of families and children with disabilities and frames these personal experiences in the context of evidence-based practice, providing pre- and in-service teachers and professionals with vital information on how they can help children with high-level autism reach their full potential. Many children with high-level autism are capable of regulating their behaviors given the right interventions, and this cutting edge text explores multiple methods for helping such children succeed academically, socially, and behaviorally. The book: • draws from interviews with twenty families who have middle- and high-school-aged children with high functioning autism or Aspergers syndrome; • presents a synthesis of the most cutting-edge research in the field; • provides practical advice for educating children with high-level autism; • is authored by two special education professors who are also both the parents of children with disabilities. *Teaching Children with High-Level Autism* is essential reading for anyone who works or plans to work with children on the upper range of the autism spectrum.

Issues in Educating Students With Disabilities

Drawing on the growing 21st-century skills movement, the text engagingly weaves RTI, technology, and differentiation with ways to transform schools for the future.

Behavioral Disorders

Building foundational whole-number knowledge can help put K-5 students on the path to academic success and career readiness. Filling a gap for school practitioners, this book presents step-by-step guidelines for designing and implementing classwide, small-group, and individual interventions for mathematics difficulties. Effective procedures for screening, assessment, intervention selection, and progress monitoring are described and illustrated with detailed case vignettes. User-friendly features include 20 reproducible handouts and forms; the print book has a large-size format with lay-flat binding for easy photocopying. Purchasers get access to a Web page where they can download and print the reproducible materials. This book is in *The Guilford Practical Intervention in the Schools Series*, edited by T. Chris Riley-Tillman.

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School Success for Kids With ADHD

Written during a period of reexamination and change in the field of special education, this book was developed in order to provide a better understanding of the contexts in which children receive their formal education. The movement toward the "least restrictive environment" for the education of children with disabilities is weathering a wave of reinterpretations including mainstreaming, the regular education initiative, and inclusion. While each interpretation has its proponents and critics, limited theory and few data are available to guide these important policy decisions. Focusing specifically on classrooms -- the settings where educators can have the most immediate impact and where research is most needed -- this volume's goals are: * to establish what is known about classroom ecologies from both general and special education perspectives, * to integrate the perspectives of researchers and practitioners, and * to chart directions for further research specifically related to children with learning disabilities. The construct of classroom ecology is defined as three interrelated domains: instruction, teacher and peer interaction, and organization and management. This scheme provides the structure for the book. Taken as a whole, the content of the volume underscores the limits of current knowledge and at the same time provides directions for needed changes in both research and practice.

Inclusive and Adaptive Teaching

Word study integrates decoding/phonics, spelling, and vocabulary instruction to help struggling readers identify unfamiliar words in order to improve reading comprehension. This book provides secondary teachers with practical strategies to embed word study instruction in content area classes and support the needs of adolescent readers, particularly those with disabilities. The text includes many useful teaching resources, such as sample lesson plans, reproducible teaching tools, web resource lists, and tips about technology-based learning tools. This comprehensive, hands-on volume will also appeal to teachers who are new to word study, especially those who have students with disabilities in their classrooms. "Secondary teachers seeking practical suggestions for how to help struggling readers will love this book! Word Study in the Inclusive Classroom provides a clear, concise overview of the many ways that adolescents can still struggle to read well into high school. This overview is followed up with a clear explanation of everything a teacher would need to know to start implementing word study immediately. Leko includes lots of helpful examples of word study instruction in a variety of content area classes, including science, social studies, and English. Easy to read and so informative!" --Dr. Kimber Wilkerson, University of Wisconsin-Madison "This book will be an invaluable resource for preservice and inservice general and special educators. Few texts address reading instruction for secondary students with reading difficulties and disabilities. Word Study in the Inclusive Secondary Classroom fills this void, providing secondary teachers with the fundamental knowledge and evidence-based practices essential for providing effective word study instruction tailored to the unique learning needs of such students." --Alexandra Lauterbach, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Academic Instruction for Students With Moderate and Severe Intellectual Disabilities in

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Inclusive Classrooms

Encyclopedia of School Psychology

Lee (U. of Kansas) emphasizes the role of school psychologists as consultants, and one of this encyclopedia's goals is to introduce non-specialists to the scope of psychology applied to education. It can also serve as a reference for practitioners and vocational counselors. For ease of use, the comprehensive contents are listed both alphabetically

Handbook on Personalized Learning for States, Districts, and Schools

School Social Work: An Evidence-Informed Framework for Practice offers school social work students and veteran practitioners a new framework for choosing their interventions based on the best available evidence. It is the first work that synthesizes the evidence-based practice (EBP) process with recent conceptual frameworks of school social work clinical practice offered by leading scholars and policymakers. Many other books on EBP try to fit empirically validated treatments into practice contexts without considering the multiple barriers to implementing evidence-based practices in places as complicated and multi-faceted as schools. Additionally, there are vital questions in the literature about what the best levels for intervention are in school social work. Responding to the complexity of applying EBP in schools, this volume offers a conceptual framework that addresses the real-world concerns of practitioners as they work to provide the best services to their school clients. For each domain of school social work practice, the authors critically review interventions, presenting the current research with guidelines for addressing such implementation issues as cost, school culture, adaptations for special populations, and negotiating multiple arenas of practice. In addition, the chapters are grounded in the process of evidence-based practice, illustrating how school practitioners can pose useful questions, search for relevant evidence, appraise the evidence, apply it in keeping with client values, and monitor the results. Written by four school social work scholars with over four decades of theoretical, research, and practice experience, this volume will be relevant to both research faculty studying school social work interventions and students learning about school social work practice.

What Really Works in Special and Inclusive Education

Using Peer Tutoring to Improve Reading Skills is a very practical guide, offering a straightforward framework and easy-to-implement strategies to help teachers help pupils progress in reading. A succinct introduction, it shows how schools can make positive use of differences between pupils and turn them into effective learning opportunities. Outlining the evidence base supporting peer tutoring approaches, it explores the components of the reading process and explains how peer tutoring in reading can be used with any method of teaching reading. Core topics covered include: Planning and implementing peer tutoring Getting your school on board How to structure effective interaction Training peer tutors and tutees Paired Reading - cross-ability approaches One Book for Two - fostering fluency, reading comprehension, and

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motivation Reading in Pairs - cross and same-year tutoring Supporting struggling readers Involving families in peer tutoring Evaluation and feedback. Illustrated throughout with practical examples from diverse schools across Europe, Using Peer Tutoring to Improve Reading Skills is an essential introduction offering easy-to-use guidelines that will support teachers in primary and secondary schools as they enhance pupil motivation and improve reading standards.

Resources in Education

This work offers effective intervention strategies for managing school violence. Opening with a range of perspectives on student aggression, it provides a comprehensive view on practical interventions at the student, school, and systems levels. Practitioners present empirically-grounded strategies for an array of school settings and situations, seeking to help readers make informed decisions about the approaches that would be most effective in their own environments.; The first part of the text presents information on the nature and prevalence of youth violence today, and outlines strategies geared toward making the school physically safer, establishing clear behaviour standards, providing adequate adult presence, enforcing rules fairly and sanctioning offenders, and creating partnerships with outside agencies.; The chapters that follow describe a range of interventions directed toward aggressive students themselves which have proved highly effective in outcome evaluation research. These approaches include behavioural classroom management, crises- and gang- orientated interventions, and preventative pre-school programmes. In addition, it details school-orientated strategies such as academic and curriculum interventions, vandalism control, and effective security policy. Exploring the complex relationship among school behaviour, family life, and community, chapters also consider avenues toward effecting change in the larger context of the students' lives.; A hands-on manual for dealing with some of the most intractable problems education professionals face, this book offers extensive information for school psychologists and researchers.

What Really Works With Exceptional Learners

First Published in 2007. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

Differentiating Math Instruction, K-8

First Published in 1997. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

What Really Works in Special and Inclusive Education

Thorough and accessible, this professional resource and text shows how the latest research in adolescent literacy can be translated into effective practice in middle and high school classrooms. Leading authorities discuss findings on the adolescent learner, addressing such essential topics as comprehension, content-area literacy, differentiated instruction, gender differences in literacy learning, and English language learners. With a focus on evidence-based

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methods, coverage ranges from techniques for building digital literacy and comprehension skills to strategies for flexible grouping and writing instruction. Ideal for courses in adolescent literacy, each chapter includes guiding questions, discussion questions, and classroom examples.

The Quick Reference Guide to Educational Innovations

What does it actually mean to teach an inclusive mixed-ability class? From the author of the classic teacher text *Commonsense Methods for Children with Special Needs* this new book from Peter Westwood fully acknowledges what is feasible and useful to teachers in today's inclusive classroom. This insightful teaching resource promotes a fully inclusive approach to teaching the common curriculum to all, while acknowledging differences among learners in relation to intelligence, gender, socioeconomic background, cultural background, language skills and disabilities. Drawing on the underlying principles of inclusive education, and on curriculum and learning theories, Westwood discusses in detail the challenge of diversity in the classroom. The author presents in practical terms an adaptive approach to teaching that can respond, when necessary, to differences among students. Accessible chapters in this book present: sound pedagogical practice linked with adapting curriculum content; helpful teaching methods; a range of resource materials; useful assessment procedures; support for learning. The writer draws appropriately on international research and current learning theories to support this approach, whilst each chapter contains an up-to-date list of online and print resources easily available to teachers who wish to pursue topics in greater depth. This book will be of interest to both practising and trainee teachers and teaching assistants, as well as school principals, school counsellors and educational psychologists.

Teaching Children with High-Level Autism

The recent passage of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) presents new opportunities and greater flexibility in efforts to personalize learning for all children. The *Handbook on Personalized Learning for States, Districts, and Schools* provides insight and guidance on maximizing that new flexibility. Produced by the Center on Innovations in Learning (CIL), one of seven national content centers funded by the U.S. Department of Education, this volume suggests how teachers can enhance personalized learning by cultivating relationships with students and their families to better understand a child's learning and motivation. Personalized learning also encourages the development of students' metacognitive, social, and emotional competencies, thereby fostering students' self-direction in their own education, one aimed at mastery of knowledge and skills and readiness for career and college. Chapters address topics across the landscape of personalized learning, including co-designing instruction and learning pathways with students; variation in the time, place, and pace of learning, including flipped and blended classrooms; and using technology to manage and analyze the learning process. The Handbook's chapters include Action Principles to guide states, districts, and schools in personalizing learning.

The Teaching Revolution

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This top-selling text, now in its seventh edition, is the go-to text to prepare students to teach people with disabilities. Adapted Physical Education and Sport provides comprehensive and clear guidance for professionals working with people with unique physical education needs, differences, and abilities. New to This Edition No other adapted physical education text has sold more copies than this book—but the contributors are not resting on their laurels. The text is loaded with new and updated material: Enhanced coverage of universal design for learning, with strategies and applications presented throughout the text A new chapter devoted entirely to adventure sports and activities A chapter on adapted sport that has been further developed to reflect the progress in the field Enhanced coverage of sport-specific injuries and prevention Also new to this edition are related online learning aids delivered through HKPropel, including assignable learning and enrichment activities to help students apply the book's foundational knowledge. The HKPropel resources also include an instructor guide with teaching tips and strategies, ideas for an introductory course in adapted physical education and sport, and a sample syllabus. Other tools include a test bank, video clips demonstrating 26 of the fitness tests from The Brockport Physical Fitness Test Manual, and forms, tables, and calculators related to the Brockport Physical Fitness Test. In addition, the team of 30 highly renowned contributors includes 12 new voices who add their perspectives to the content. More Features Adapted Physical Education and Sport offers readers much more: Chapter-opening scenarios that introduce one or more of the chapter's concepts Application examples that explore real-life situations and show how to apply the text concepts to solve relevant issues Print, video, and online resources in the text and through HKPropel Appendixes that include definitions based on the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), contact information for organizations associated with adapted physical education and sport, information related to the Brockport Physical Fitness Test, a scale to evaluate adapted physical education programs, and more The book's contents are aligned with the IDEA legislation and will help current and future educators identify the unique needs of children with disabilities, adapt physical education to meet those needs, and develop effective individualized education programs (IEPs) for those students. Adapted Physical Education and Sport is the ideal book for those who want the foundational knowledge that leads to the practical development and implementation of top-quality physical education and sport programs for people with disabilities. Note: A code for accessing HKPropel is not included with this ebook but may be purchased separately.

Championing Cutting-Edge 21st Century Mentoring and Learning Models and Approaches

Learn the best methods for teaching students with disabilities in an inclusive classroom! In today's classrooms, teachers must meet the educational needs of students of all ability levels, including students with disabilities. This invaluable resource offers elementary and secondary teachers a deeper awareness of "what works" when teaching students with disabilities in general education classrooms. Grounded in extensive special education research, this book will enlighten teachers with a greater understanding of special education students and how to teach them successfully. For teaching students with the most common disabilities in classes with their nondisabled peers, general and special education teachers alike will get the most current information on issues such as:

- Developing Individualized Education Programs
- Teaching reading successfully
- Managing behavior and motivating students
- Organizing classrooms and lessons effectively
- Using cognitive strategies successfully
- Making appropriate accommodations and modifications

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Assessing students, grading, and collecting data • Working with parents and families • Collaborating with other teachers and parents One of the greatest challenges teachers face today is how to ensure that all students succeed, regardless of their ability. Rooted in the best research and practice, this essential resource provides the tools needed to create an inclusive classroom and demonstrates how to teach classes successfully.

Effective Math Interventions

Students in a typical special education methods course are often presented with and overwhelmed by myriad techniques, leaving them with insufficient opportunities to practice and reflect on covered practices. In addition, students are often uncertain how to apply the techniques in teaching situations. **METHODS AND STRATEGIES FOR TEACHING STUDENTS WITH HIGH INCIDENCE DISABILITIES: A CASE-BASED APPROACH** uses a more focused and integrated approach than other available texts. Each chapter presents a limited number of techniques (five to seven) in detail. The authors demonstrate effective teaching methods and techniques through application activities, anchor content around case studies, and offer an overview of techniques not covered in detail. Information addressing culturally, economically, linguistically, and ethnically diverse learners, among others, is integrated throughout. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Adapted Physical Education and Sport

This fully revised and updated third edition presents teachers with a range of up-to-date evidence-based strategies they can use to tackle the challenges of inclusive education. An essential resource for the busy educator, each of the twenty-nine strategies explored in this book has a substantial research base drawn from a range of countries, a strong theoretical rationale and clear guidelines on their implementation, as well as cautionary advice where necessary. Key features of the third edition include: An easy to follow structure divided into four categories: Behavioural approaches, Social approaches, Cognitive strategies and mixed strategies Eight new chapters, focusing on topical areas such as neuroscience, social and emotional education, visual learning and communication and the transition from school to post-school environments Updated chapters that consider the most diverse and up-to-date research in education, psychology, health and technology Whilst the focus of this book is on children with special educational needs, the strategies are universally applicable, making this essential reading for all classroom teachers, school leaders, teacher educators and students, educational psychologists, special needs coordinators and consultants and educational researchers.

Research on Classroom Ecologies

Special Educational Needs and Inclusive Education: Inclusive education

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"This volume includes a variety of intervention strategies utilizing peers as change agents in school-based interventions. The book presents an updated conceptualization of PMIs, including peer-mediated academic interventions, peer-mediated behavioral interventions, and peer-mediated group supports. Each section includes a chapter describing the research supporting each type of PMI, as well as practical chapters detailing the use of different strategies. The practical chapters describe the common procedures involved in each PMI, recommendations for successful implementation with an equity lens in applied settings, and practical resources such as implementation scripts"--

Peers As Change Agents

School Success for Kids With ADHD offers parents and teachers the support they need to ensure that children with attention deficits build on their strengths, circumvent their weaknesses, and achieve to their fullest potential. With the growing number of children diagnosed with attention problems, parents and teachers need practical advice for helping these children succeed in school. Topics covered include recognizing the causes and types of attention deficits and how they appear in the school context, requesting school evaluations and diagnoses, understanding the laws regarding students with special needs, advocating for these students in the school environment, and coaching students with attention deficits to success. The authors also include a brief overview of research and medical perspectives on attention deficits, strategies used by teachers of children with ADHD, and helpful tools for parents and teachers to employ.

Teaching Students With High-Incidence Disabilities

Packed with instructional strategies for students with significant disabilities, this research-based resource helps teachers adapt their curriculum, work collaboratively, develop accurate assessments, track student progress, and more.

Making Inclusion Work

Seal the gaps in student learning with targeted intervention This practical resource addresses the gap between school-wide disciplinary policies and interventions individually tailored to the most problematic students. Focusing on proactive strategies for small-group interventions, Laura Riffel's research and techniques include: General strategies that can be applied at the individual level: Self-management, proximity control, peer mentoring and more Comprehensive action plans to anticipate any disciplinary issues A behavior rating sheet proven effective in improving student behavior "Funk Sway" For The Classroom: Using Feng Shui principles to create a classroom environment that enhances productivity, learning and creativity

Inclusive Physical Activities

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Urban and Suburban/rural Special Strategies for Educating Disadvantaged Children

Demonstrates how the fields of special education and inclusive education have evolved philosophically and technically over the past 30 years.

An Introduction to Cognitive Education

Real-time strategies for real-life results! Are you struggling to balance your students' learning needs with their learning styles? William Bender's new edition of this teacher favorite is like no other. His is the only book that takes differentiated math instruction well into the twenty-first century, successfully blending the best of what technology has to offer with guidelines for meeting the objectives set forth by the Common Core. Every innovation in math instruction is addressed: Flipping math instruction Project-based learning Using Khan Academy in the classroom Educational gaming Teaching for deeper conceptual understanding

Literacy Instruction for Adolescents

This book assembles into one volume summaries of school-based intervention research that relates to those who deal on a regular basis with the growing body of students having high-incidence learning disabilities and/or behavior disorders: special educators, school psychologists, and clinical child psychologists. Chapter authors begin with an overview of their topic followed by a brief section on historical perspectives before moving on to the main section – a critical discussion of empirically based intervention procedures. In those instances where evidence-based prescriptions can legitimately be made, authors discuss best practices and the conditions (e.g., classroom environment, teacher expertise) under which these practices are most effective. A final section deals with policy issues.

Dualizing Education Through 123Mystery

Addresses the perspectives and issues related to behavior disorders and involves leaders in the behaviour disorders field. This book addresses such topics as: legal issues, assessment, placement prevention, culturally and linguistically diverse students, English Language learners, and more.

An Introduction to Cognitive Education

To ensure that all students receive quality instruction, Teaching Students with High-Incidence Disabilities prepares preservice teachers to teach students with learning disabilities, emotional behavioral disorders, intellectual disabilities, attention deficit hyperactivity, and high functioning autism. Focusing on research-based instructional strategies, Mary Anne Prater gives explicit instructions and strategies for teaching students with special needs, and

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includes examples throughout in the form of scripted lesson plans. Real-world classrooms are brought into focus through teacher tips, embedded case studies, and technology spotlights to enhance student learning. The book also emphasizes diversity, with a section in each chapter devoted to exploring how instructional strategies can be modified to accommodate diverse exceptional students.

The Oxford Handbook of School Psychology

In their struggle to identify successful solutions for their schools, teachers, administrators, board members, and parents must wade through reams of educational rhetoric and sales hype. This resource is designed to serve a broad audience of practicing teachers, preservice teachers, administrators, resource teachers, college professors, parents, and others who would like to stay abreast of new education programs and innovations. It objectively explains how each program, practice, and philosophy is supported by research and how it really works in schools. It provides straightforward definitions and concisely illustrates the practical applications and supporting research for approximately 125 educational innovations. Entries include feedback from award-winning teachers, giving educators an unbiased view of real-world effectiveness. Some highlights are as follows: (1) the exploration of more than 60 innovative practices, including assertive discipline, computer-assisted instruction, conflict resolution, distance learning, and the Socratic method; (2) an examination of results-oriented programs, including emergent literacy, Jumpstart, and Touch Point Math; (3) detailed discussion of policies regarding immersion and inclusion, standardized testing, and summer school; and (4) comprehensive coverage of movement, concepts, and theories, including brain-based learning, mainstreaming, multicultural education, and school vouchers. (Contains 135 references.) (RT)

Using Peer Tutoring to Improve Reading Skills

Increasing numbers of children and adolescents internationally are being diagnosed with secondary health problems (e.g., overweight-obesity, diabetes, asthma, anxiety, etc.) due in part, or at least related to, a lack of physical activity. Children and adolescents with various forms of special needs (for example, children and adolescents with physical or intellectual disabilities, children and adolescents from disadvantaged social backgrounds and children and adolescents with chronic illnesses) seem to be particularly at risk for secondary health problems, which in the end limit their social participation and inclusion, as well as their ability to achieve their full potential and to lead happy and fulfilling lives. For these children and adolescents, involvement in regular physical activities (including fitness activities and sports) may have far reaching benefits. For instance, organized physical activities are known to represent an effective vehicle for interventions for children and adolescents with special needs who do not seem to benefit as much as others from more traditional, verbal-oriented approaches. Organized physical activities (in or out of school) further provide these children and adolescents with opportunities to interact in a positive manner with prosocial peers and adults who may serve as positive role models for them. There is currently a paucity of research about physical activities that effectively include children and adolescents with a range of special needs or research that identifies evidence-based strategies that seed success in maximizing the involvement in, and the positive

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biopsychosocial outcomes associated with, the practice of physical activity. This dearth of research is impeding progress in addressing the biopsychosocial disadvantage that these children and adolescents encounter, the development of new solutions for enabling full potential, and ensuring that children and adolescents with special needs not only succeed, but also flourish in life. This volume includes examples of theory, research, policy, and practice that will advance our understanding of how best to encourage these children and adolescents to participate regularly in physical activity, how to maximize the biopsychosocial benefits of involvement in physical activities, and how to ensure that these physical activities are inclusive for children and adolescents with special needs. The focus will be placed on research-derived physical activity practices that seed success for children and adolescents with special needs, and new directions in theory, research, and practice that have implications for enhancing physical activity practices with at-risk children and adolescents. The themes covered in this volume include: - Strategies to maximise participation of children and adolescents with special needs in physical activity as a global priority; - Strategies to maximise the social inclusion of children and adolescents with special needs in general physical activities; - Effective physical education strategies to enhance biopsychosocial outcomes for children and adolescents with special needs; - Advancing the practice of educators and coaches to cultivate the social inclusion and participation in physical activity of children and adolescents with special needs; and - Challenging the meaning and implementation of inclusive practices in physical education globally.

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