Creating Inclusive Classrooms

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An Inclusive Classroom

- Why?
- What?
- How?
Why is an inclusive classroom necessary?

- Allows for the exploration of different perspectives
- Makes problem solving easier
- Fosters the development of a global worldview
- Builds respect and appreciation for other ways of learning and being present
- Challenges our own perspective and understandings
- Moves beyond diversity
- Enables each to belong
“Diversity is the mix. Inclusion is the making the mix work.” Andre’s Tapia
What is an Inclusive Classroom?

- A classroom where students with varying differences receive instruction in the same space but in a way that best engages them with the material.
- A classroom in which there is a means for all students to participate in the contribution to learning and the reception of knowledge.
- It is an environment which is conducive to learning regardless of a students ability or cultural identity.
- A learning space that is equitable and just to all engaged in the learning process.
Creating the magic of engagement!
How to create an Inclusive Classroom?

- Assess individual needs and meet those needs
- Be approachable and assessable
- Share your story
- Create different activities to engage students at different points of learning and abilities
- Allow for group activities to create intentional collisions
- Be passionate
- Enjoy what you doing and with whom you are teaching