

## IT TAKES BIG HEART TO HANDLE SPED LEARNERS

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Students with special needs have more learning difficulties than most children of their age. In accordance with Republic Act (RA) 11650, which Duterte signed on March 11, no learner shall be denied admission due to a disability. According to UNESCO 1988 to meet the requirements of a child with learning differences, disabilities, or giftedness, special education procedures, resources, and other interventions are created.

Additionally, the goal of special education is to help each child reach their full potential so that they can grow up to be skilled, independent, and purposeful adults who can plan their own lives and fully contribute to society possible. Parents, teachers, and other organizations must have big hearts to understand the situation of these kids.

A study by Hashir Ahmmed entitled "Challenges faced by teachers of learners with learning difficulty" states that the activities and roles that society views as "normal," based on age, sex, as well as several social and cultural aspects, must be emphasized. Given the current situation, students with developmental disabilities struggle to master literacy and numeracy in a traditional school system and stay up with other students, which negatively affects their academic accomplishments and progress in school. Establishing a relationship with them to know the strengths of students in a certain subject to evaluate their preferred method of learning.

Bullying is more likely to occur in kids who have disabilities, such as those that are physical, developmental, intellectual, emotional, or sensory-related, this is another challenge for teachers handling children with disabilities. Every student is unique in their

way and making them feel comfortable while learning can help them to embrace their environment without being scared to start new things and accept new knowledge.

Nonetheless, schools can protect students with certain medical requirements from risks like bullying. Before responding to bullying, instructors should treat the medical issue if a kid with health requirements experiences a medical reaction. Teaching kids about their unique health requirements as well as the dangers of exposures and activities can help keep them safe. Lots of physical and cognitive energy for some children to overcome the challenges posed by their difficulties/ disabilities, thus, positive motivation and encouragement are needed to make each child develop a positive attitude toward school and learning. It takes a big heart for a teacher to handle SPED learners.

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