



{inclusion outreach}

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Ideas for Inclusion in Woodworking

Start with the woodworking activity the class is doing. How will all students participate in the activity? If a student has multiple and complex disabilities, what active role can they take? Next, consider adapting the materials or processes to enhance participation. Finally, add specialized equipment to further enhance participation.

Taking a role a group:

- Use a spinner to select a colour to paint/ stain
- Find a
- Read the directions to the small group using AAC
- The student comments on their classmates work
- Gather supplies for a group project
- Work with a group to do a wood craft for a school fundraiser sale.

Adapt the materials:

- Use a sturdy work surface with a non-slip mat underneath
- Extra clamps can be helpful to stabilize the project
- Large handles or build up handles with cylindrical foam can assist with grasp on hand tools and brushes
- A universal cuff or EZ hold grip can be added to a tool for a student who needs assistance to grasp
- Use an easy to squeeze container for wood Glue
- Use pre-cut pieces or off cuts to create freeform sculptures
- Wing nut fasteners can be tightened by hand
- Softer woods may be easier to use than harder woods

Use a AbleNet Powerlink and switch to operate power tools with a partner:

- Drill
- Sander
- Dremel