UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR LEARNING (UDL)

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Clearing a Path



CLEARING A PATH FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS CLEARS THE PATH FOR EVERYONE!

What is UDL?

Diversity is viewed as the norm and as an asset.

 The intentional design of lessons that acknowledges and plans for individual differences.

· Modifications and adaptations are not an afterthought.

Think about UDL this way.....

- Instead of....
 - "I have four students with disabilities in my class."
 think......
 - "I have a class where everyone learns differently."
- The modifications and adaptations planned for students with disabilities are best practices in teaching and learning for everyone.

UDL is about

Flexibility and Creativity



Why use UDL?

- Every class has a diverse set of students with varying skills and abilities, needs, interests, and learning styles.
- All students are included in the activity.
- Content is accessible for all students.
- Student are successful yet, challenged.
- Promotes, respect, equity and understanding and acceptance.

3 UDL Basic Principles

Multiple means of representation

What are different ways to present information?

Multiple means of action and expression

How can students show what they know?

Multiple means of engagement

What are student's interests, what motivates them, how are they challenged?

Representation

 Demonstrate, narrate while demonstrating. Teacher, students or paraeducator.

 Include visuals to support instruction. A picture, video, or diagram, signs with cue words.

 Offer a variety of equipment, sizes, textures, colors, and weights See it Hear it **Students** should Do it Feel it

Visual Information



- Size of text or images
- Background Contrast
- Color for emphasis

- Information Layout
- Video Speed

Visual Information

Cue words with pictures

Visual sequence of directions

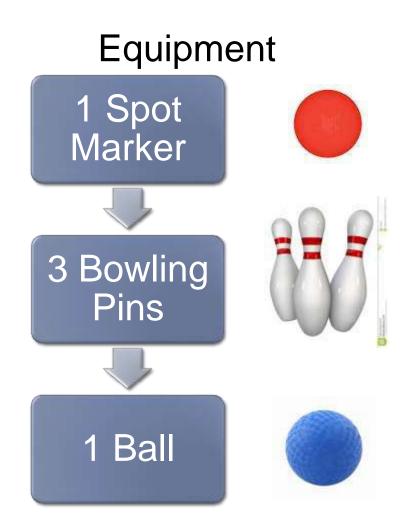
Vocabulary words

Label equipment and stations

Graphic Organizers *

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Activity Sequence Get equipment Find a space **Practice** Bowling



Equipment Choices

- Slanted net (Mosston slanted rope theory)
- Scarves for juggling
- Racquets/Bats







Equipment Choices

- Basketball nets
- Ball choices
- Targets







Instruction

Students have an opportunity to be leaders.

Feedback visual, auditory, tactile.

Chunk information into smaller segments – be concise

Plan and Practice transitions *

Visual Schedule *

Plan and Practice Transitions

Tell student how much time before the change "1 minute to stop"

Use a sound source



Visual clock or timer





Countdown "5 4 3 2 1 STOP"

Hand or sign signals



Visual Schedule Basketball Lesson

Order	Activity	Time	Finished
1	Warm up	10 min.	
2	Dribbling Individual	10 min	
3	Passing to a partner	10 min	
4	Team Juggle Game	15 min	
5	Review	5 min	

Visual Schedule Soccer Lesson



Action and Expression

- Show what you know
 - Describe verbally
 - Teach a peer
 - Draw a picture
 - Create a video
- Use a prop or equipment with a demonstration
 - Write a description

Engagement

Everyone is motivated to participate...

- Focus on student interest, colors, preferences
- Use popular music.
- Use current events as a lesson or activity theme.
- Student as teacher.

Engagement

 Students create their own games, activities, and dances.

 Know student's sensory needs and preferences for sound, touch, color, texture, surfaces, groups.



Planning

Know the Needs and Strengths of your students.

 Identify clear objectives. What do you want students to learn?

 Plan for variations and modifications that are matched to the student's learning needs.

Be proactive.

Space Modifications for Everyone

- Access to gymnasium and fields
- Noise level
- Organized and labeled equipment
- Clear boundaries
- Take a break space





Take a Break Space

Used when student is frustrated, tired or overwhelmed.

- Quiet area
- Favorite toy or book
- Reduced distractions





Offer Student's Choices

Levels of challenge



- Type of rewards or recognition
- Order of tasks
- Goal setting
- Length of task, breaks

Offer Student's Choices



- Equipment (color)
- Interests
- Responsibilities

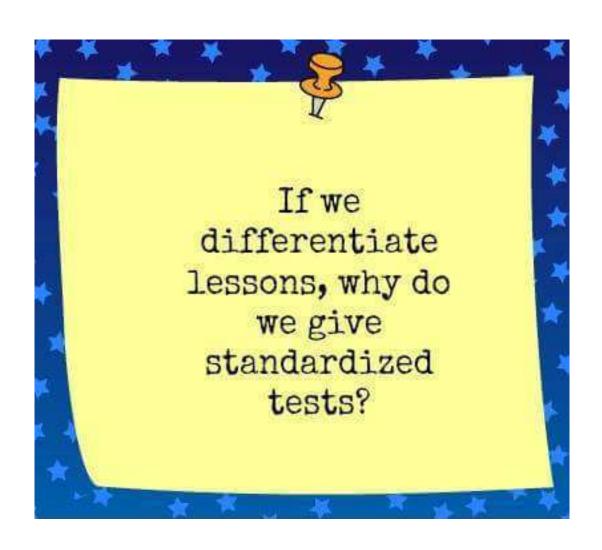
Activity Modifications

There are many ways to play a game.....

- Pace of the game
- Remove rules
- More chances
- All players involved
- Remove defenders
- Boundaries
- Points scored



Assessment



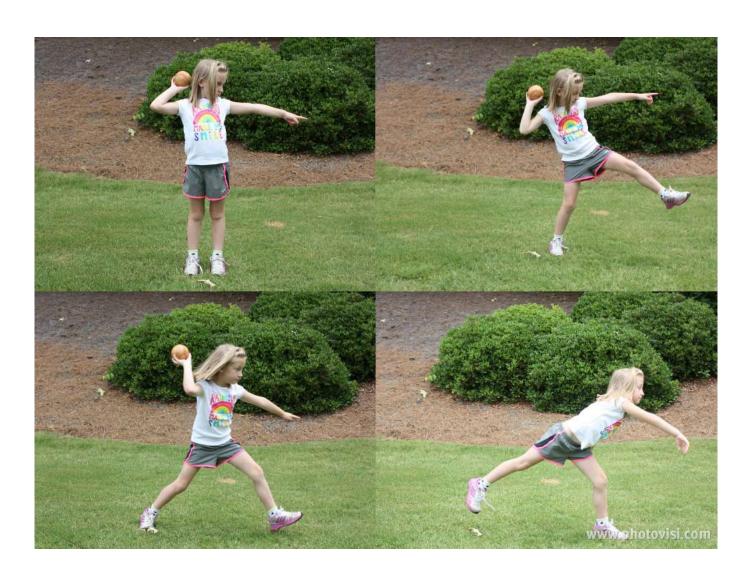
Assessment

Modifications for the assessment instrument...

Overhand Throw –

- Target Size
- Ball size and texture
- Distance
- Number of trials
- Accuracy vs Form
- Pictures

Overhand Throw



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OVERHAND Throwing Rubric

Grade	Criteria	Core	Consistent 4	Developing 3	Emerging 2	Needs Experience 1
K		Communicate basic throwing skills.	Starts by pointing non-throwing side to target, throwing arm back behind head. Steps with opposite foot toward target consistently. Follows through by letting throwing arm come across opposite side of body.	Starts by pointing non-throwing side to target, throwing arm back behind head. Steps with opposite foot toward target most of the time. Follows through by letting throwing arm come across opposite side of body.	Starts by pointing non-throwing side to target, throwing arm back behind head. No evidence of stepping with opposite foot.	Does not start by pointing non- throwing side to target. No step towards target.
1	The student will be able to demonstrate the proper skills of overhand throwing without teacher verbal cues. Communicate throwing and catching. Starts by pointing non-throwing side/shoulder to target, throwing arm back behind head. Steps with opposite foot toward target consistently. Starts by pointing non-throwing side/shoulder to target, throwing arm back behind foot toward target most of the time.		Starts by pointing non-throwing side to target, throwing arm back behind head. Steps with opposite foot toward target most of the time. Follows through by letting throwing arm come across opposite side of	Starts by pointing non-throwing side to target, throwing arm back behind head. No evidence of stepping with opposite foot.	Does not start by pointing non- throwing side to target. No step towards target.	

DATE TOTAL SCORE

NAME

Overhand Throw

Skill

Skill Elements/Teaching Cues



Description: Throwing is a skill where the hand(s) is used to propel an object like a ball, Frisbee, or beanbag.

Essential Elements: The student should remember –

- Body sideways, non-throwing shoulder faces the target
- 2. __ Elbow high
- 3. ___ Step in opposition
- **4.** ____ Rotate hips with follow-through

Resources

 Creating Equal Opportunities for Children and Youth With Disabilities to Participate in Physical Education and Extracurricular Athletics (http://www2.ed.gov/policy/speced/guid/idea/equal-pe.pdf)

- Let's Move Schools (http://www.letsmoveschools.org/)
- PE Central: Adapted PE (http://www.pecentral.org/adapted/adaptedmenu.html)
- Project Inspire (http://www.twu.edu/inspire/physicaleducation.asp)

Resources

 CAST (http://www.cast.org/our-work/aboutudl.html#.VskEkPnyvIU)

- National Center on Universal Design for Learning (http://www.udlcenter.org/)
- UDL in PE, JOPERD articles on a Wiki (http://udlideas2.pbworks.com/w/page/45359530/UDL %20in%20Physical%20Education)