



## The School Best Practices for Inclusive Education (SBPIE) Assessment:

### What You Need to Know

**What is the SBPIE assessment?** The SBPIE assessment is a structured self-assessment process to assist schools as they analyze and identify their current implementation of effective inclusive practices. The SBPIE assessment consists of 34 evidence-based inclusive practice indicators that are rated according to their level of implementation across the school. The SBPIE assessment results are used to identify priority needs for increasing or improving inclusive practices for all students with disabilities in the school.

**Why are schools required to do the SBPIE assessment?** In July 2013, Florida lawmakers enacted [section 1003.57, Florida Statutes](#), which requires each district and school to complete a Best Practices for Inclusive Education (BPIE) assessment every three years. Each school must complete the SBPIE assessment and report their assessment results to the district ESE department. The SBPIE assessment is founded on research-based practices that show students with disabilities achieve more when they receive their education in the general education curriculum and classroom.

**How do schools complete the SBPIE assessment?** The SBPIE assessment is designed to be completed by a team of stakeholders including administrators, general education and ESE teachers, other staff (e.g., school counselor, paraprofessionals), and family representatives who are familiar with the school's inclusive practices. Each team member individually reads and rates each indicator, noting supporting evidence and/or data that support their rating. All team members then come together to discuss their ratings, share data sources and agree on a final rating for each indicator. This information is used by the school to determine priority short-term and long-term improvement goals and action steps.

**How do I get more information about the SBPIE assessment?** General information about the District or School BPIE Assessments can be found by visiting the Florida Inclusion Network website:

[www.FloridaInclusionNetwork.com](http://www.FloridaInclusionNetwork.com)

**For more information about your school's BPIE Assessment,  
please contact your school administrator.**