



MAP* to Inclusion & Belonging Newsletter

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Introducing the New MAP Website

[MAP* to Inclusion and Belonging...*Making Access Possible](#) Project, funded by the Early Education and Support Division of the California Department of Education, is introducing the new fully accessible [MAP Website](#). The new website is easy to read on smart phones and other mobile devices and accessible to people with disabilities. As always, you' ll find the latest information, resources, supports, and training to help child care providers, educators, specialists, and families include children and youth with disabilities and other special needs in child care, after school and community settings. This MAP News Brief is the first in a series that will guide you in an exploration of the new website. This one focuses on the Home page.

Guide to the Home Page: How to Find your Favorite Resources!



The [MAP Home page](#) contains all the links to the same resource categories that were on the old site. The first things that you see are the quote from Norman Kunc, "It's All About Belonging," and the rotating promotions. If you haven't already, please read the quote. It's at the heart of all that we do at MAP. The rotating promotion highlights key

MAP resources, like the [Inclusion Works! book \(downloadable free\)](#), by principal writer, Linda Brault, MAP Project director, and the new [Building a Culture of Inclusion: 10 Guiding Questions web page](#) that introduces the federal Policy on Inclusion in Early Childhood and guides you to the latest state and federal inclusion resources. [The California Collaborative on the Social and Emotional Foundations of Early Learning, CA CSEFEL web page](#) is home to the California Department of Education’s effort to support social and emotional development of all young children in California. Take a look at the [free California Adapted Materials](#) and [visit the Teaching Pyramid sister site](#), for more free materials to support social and emotional development and to learn about professional development on this topic.

The Navigation Bar

At the very top of the Home page is the navigation bar, also present on every page, with links to all of the resource categories. To the far right are [“MAP Project Resources”](#) and [“Resources and Links.”](#) Both of these have drop down boxes that contain all categories of resources. [MAP Project Resources](#), include projects and resources created by the MAP team. [MAP Training PowerPoints](#), the [MAP Newsletter Archive](#) and [Reports and Useful Documents](#) are found here. Also at the top of the page, you’ll see links to the [CA CSEFEL web page](#), described already, and [County Specific Resources](#), which shows contact information and website links to local organizations that support children with disabilities and local inclusion and behavior resources.



The [“Resources and Links”](#) houses the collections of resources and web site links that have been gathered by the MAP team by topic area to provide comprehensive, reliable information and resources to support the diverse needs of children with disabilities and their families. The first few categories are shown in the picture on the right. Some of the most popular categories of resources are [Disability-Specific Information](#), [Inclusive Practice](#), [Social Emotional & Behavior](#) and the [Video Collection](#).

Give Us Your Feedback!

Take some time to explore the new MAP to Inclusion and Belonging Website found at www.cainclusion.org. We would love to know what you think. Send us an email with feedback or questions at map@wested.org.



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