Development of Inclusive Education in Hungary

Macro System Development Programme

SEN as a part of the whole Assessment

Good practice in the classrooms

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Main Characteristics of Public Education in Hungary

- Great old traditions, mistaken self-evaluation
- „Prussian-Soviet system” until 1990
- Selectivity, teacher-centred approach, one-way communication
- Two-track SEN system: old, traditional special schools and inclusive education in mainstream classes (today: 50 per cent each and mainstream still rising)
- **Bad signs:**
  - High and rising drop-out rate, especially in vocational schools
  - The shock of the PISA 2000 survey (more than 20 per cent functional illiterates)
  - Dissatisfied employers: too few skilled workers, low levels of adaptability of new entrants in the labour market, etc.
Strategic Challenges for Public Education and Training

- competence based practice vs. content based context and tradition
- student focused methodology vs. teacher focused educational practice
- inclusive school models vs. selective school system
- equal access and opportunities vs. still many forms of disadvantage
- change in teaching culture vs. obsolete basic teacher training programme
- modernisation, efficiency, infrastructure
- change in assessment process and tools on every level, quality assurance
An Integrated Programme for Teaching and Learning

Elements of the Programme

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<td>stages focuses content</td>
<td>methods organisation activities sources tasks solutions</td>
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<td>Support: in-service training and consultancy (advisory) services</td>
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Expected Result from Inclusion

Learning became more attractive,
Better self-esteem (both teachers and students),
Success in individual and general educational level,
New, more effective pedagogical, technical and logistical forms and models
New „toolbox” for evaluation, quality assurance, learning forms and methods
New values: tolerance, acceptance, cooperation among teachers, teachers and pupils, parents and teachers etc.
Well prepared and trained teachers for integration, inclusion
Learner centred, differentiated, individualised teaching in classrooms
No child left behind or every child is equally important to us
Reduce selectivity of the system, reduce the number of segregated schools
Good financial conditions and supportive service-system for inclusive institutions
Good practices of inclusion, classroom practices and cooperation between schools and families
Self evaluation at individual and school level

External evaluation at school level

National evaluation
Factors of External Evaluation

- Learning effectiveness
- Partner and parent contentment
- Guiding the way of learning
- Teacher achievement
- Institutional efficiency
Factors of Evaluation

1. Learning effectiveness
2. Partner and parent contentment
3. Guiding the way of learning
4. Teacher achievement
5. Institutional efficiency
4. Teacher achievement

4.1. Attitudes of the teachers regarding inclusion
4.2. Cooperation with parents
4.3. Differentiated methodological practice
4.4. The necessary teacher competencies exist
4.5. Developing social relations in classrooms
4.6. Learner-centred practice and two-way communication
4.7. Professional preparedness of teachers to handle special needs
4.8. Making fluent individual development plan
The class teacher is committed enough to the realisation of inclusion.

The other teachers are committed and are cooperative in inclusion.

The whole staff of the school are committed and cooperative.

Every teacher accepts the pedagogical programme including the development of SEN.

Every teacher of the school considers the individual needs of special needs students.

Every SEN student has an individual development plan.
After the First Pilot

We have achieved the following:

- Thinking and working together
- Cooperation makes the actors of education more active, significant changes in classroom practice
- Schoolstaff, parents, students, head and maintainers are thinking differently, working more and more successfully together
- Continuous learning, new knowledges
- More and more challenges
Before you fall asleep: Thank You for Your Attention!

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