

AAC: Engineering the Classroom

What does it mean to engineer the classroom for AAC?

It means embedding AAC into the classroom in a way that supports opportunities to communicate throughout the day

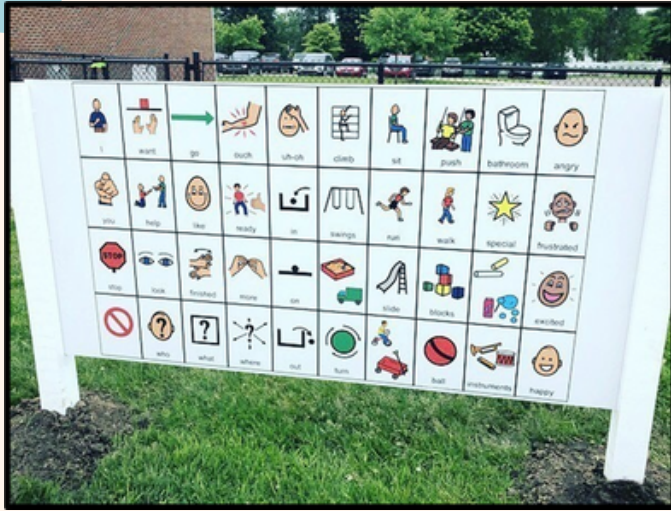
What does that involve?

- Creating an environment that encourages communication
- Providing easy access to symbols
- Placing symbols in strategic places in the classroom
- Selecting appropriate vocabulary
- Infusing AAC into the curriculum
- Modeling AAC

What do we focus on?

- Communication throughout the day
- There are no special "communication" times on the schedule
- Every activity has communication embedded within it
- Communication is taught in natural contexts
 - Restroom, playground, passing periods, lunchtime, learning centers, recess

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Recess

Place symbols
where
students are!



Play Area



taped to Desk



Reading Area