



Florida Inclusion Network

Person First Language



**A person with
a disability**



**He is a person with an
intellectual disability**



**Maria is a student
with Autism**



**Thomas has
Down syndrome**



**She has a learning
disability**



**Jade receives special
education services**



**He has an emotional or
behavioral disability**



**Lee has developmental
delays**



**She rides in an
accessible bus**



He has ADHD

Not Person First Language



**A special needs
child**



He is slow



Maria is Autistic



Thomas is Downs



**She is LD or learning
disabled**



**Jade is ESE or in
special ed**



**He is EBD or
emotionally disturbed**



**Lee is developmentally
delayed**



**She rides the
handicap bus**



He is ADHD