**Inclusive and Accessible Playgrounds Survey**

Dear Families,

KidsAbility is building a new inclusive and accessible playground for our clients, students and families and we need your help with the design. We want our new playground to provide opportunities for our kids to develop skills for successful engagement with the world around them. What are the main factors you think will make the best outdoor learning playground space.

Please indicate on a scale from 1 to 5 the importance of the following concepts. Feel free to add comments in the area below each rating scale.

1. **Including textures for children to touch and feel such as sand tables, water features, or a gardening centre.**

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 Not Moderately Very

Important Important Important

1. **Structures that spin, tilt, swing, or encourage sliding. These features would challenge one’s awareness of body positioning in space. Examples include accessible teeter totters, swings, ziplines, or slides.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Structures that provide interesting items to look at.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Features that produce sounds or other auditory stimuli.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Areas and equipment that allow children to gather, socialize, and engage in pretend play.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Structures that challenge balance such as moving platforms or uneven surfaces, provided they are also accessible for those who use wheelchairs or walkers.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Activities that focus on planning and coordinating movements such as stairs, rock walls, mazes, or rope ladders.**

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1. **Structures that promote muscle activation and strengthening such as stairs, ladders, or monkey bars.**

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1. **A design that provides shaded areas.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Structures that promote navigation and exploration such as ramps, multiple entry points, or pathways.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Maintaining open areas for play that involve multiple surfaces. Examples of surfaces include pavement, grass, artificial turf, or textured rubber.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Sitting areas for students/clients and their families.**

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 Not Moderately Very

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1. **Please indicate any previously seen playground equipment, specific designs, safety features, or additional concepts that you would like to see incorporated.**
2. **Please indicate the name/location of any playgrounds that you feel are accessible and inclusive so that we can research or visit these sites. Please include in this any elements that you would improve upon at these locations, as a result of your experiences there.**
3. **Finally, please identify three concepts/pieces of equipment that are most important overall to you and your child and your child’s development.**

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Age of your child(ren):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for completing this survey. Your input gives us a more thorough understanding of the important features of an inclusive and accessible playground for students and clients and their families at KidsAbility.