

## **AUTISM**

# ACCEPTANCE

### **FACTS**

Did you know?

- Every 20 minutes someone is diagnosed with Autism
- Individuals with Autism may use a variety of different and unique strategies to communicate
- Many individuals on the spectrum stay in school until the age of 21.



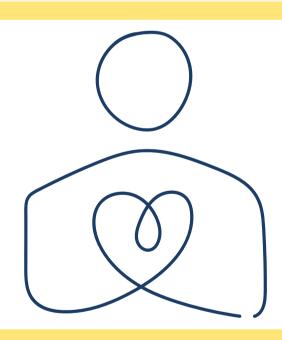


## STRENGTHS AND ABILITIES OF AUTISM

- An individual can memorize information quickly
- Thinks and learns in a visual manner
- Possesses an extraordinary memory
- An individual is honest and reliable

#### **AWARENESS IDEAS**

- Invite speakers into the school building to talk about autism including professionals in the field
- Read literature
- Post and distribute resources to all community stakeholders
- Hold a day to wear YELLOW to raise autism awareness





#### CLASSROOM LEARNING IDEAS

- Read aloud texts and pieces of literature with characters who are identified as having Autism
- Decorate butterflies and write how to be a good friend to all
- Students create their own brochures about Autism awareness
- Students write letters to legislators regarding equality for all students

For more information and resources, check out these top Autism
Organizations:

Autism Society Autism Highway

