

Tips for Embedding Authentic Assessment in Everyday Practices

- Plan curriculum with assessment in mind.
- Work with colleagues to brainstorm ideas for embedding.
- Embed authentic assessment throughout the day.
- Create opportunities to assess in each learning center/area.
- Match documentation methods to learning goals and standards.
- Make plans to assess during everyday activities.
- Have documentation tools prepared and ready to go.
- Visualize yourself gathering authentic assessment information.
- Enlist the help of others.
- Let the children know what you are doing if they haven't seen you documenting while they play and work.
- Try to collect information every day.
- Organize your documentation daily or every couple of days.
- Use the documentation to plan for group and individual learning experiences.
- Look over your documentation periodically to make sure you are seeing all the children in the areas you are assessing.
- Embed new materials as needed to support diverse learning.
- Use data to provide feedback to children.
- Review data to plan for ongoing learning and assessment.