ARE WE KEEPING UP AS A NATION?

One in 7 children living in the United States has a disability.

Parents were asked, "What elements would you expect to be required to ensure children with disabilities can engage in true play on the playground?"

Perceptions are changing. Inclusive playgrounds benefit children of all abilities.



Wheelchair accessible

spaces for

sensory disorders



Play features for motor coordination disorders such as Down syndrome



Auditory features for visual or hearing impaired



More than half (57 percent) of all parents believe playgrounds are required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to include these elements for children with disabilities.

(based on options provided)



Yet, current ADA standards only require that playgrounds include wheelchair accessible elements

SOURCES: Landscape Structures Inclusive Play survey 2014, National Center for Education Statistics