

## Protecting Participants and Personhood



### Safeguarding Vulnerable Populations

Maintain strict confidentiality by removing identifiable student names and securing sensitive educational records.



### Respectful, Strengths-Based Language

Use person-first language and focus on support needs rather than abnormal deficit-based framing.



### Balanced and Evidence-Based Representation

Use academic caution to avoid overgeneralization or biased claims about learners and contexts.



# Ethical Academic Writing in Special Education: The Blueprint of Professional Trust

### APA Style and Citation Responsibility

Apply consistent author-date formatting and treat clinical assessment reports as confidential, unpublished data.

## Professional Integrity and Scholarly Rigor



### Academic Integrity and Honesty

Ensure absolute transparency by crediting every external idea and strictly avoiding data fabrication.



### Responsible Source Integration

Master the synthesis matrix; prioritize paraphrasing and summarizing over the over-reliance on direct quotes.

### Synthesis Matrix: Source Integration

	Method	Purpose	Execution
	Paraphrasing	Restating ideas in your own words	Requires changing structure and vocabulary while maintaining exact meaning.
	Summarising	Distilling the main ideas only	Highly concise; omitting unnecessary details and secondary arguments.
	Direct Quotes	Using exact, unedited wording	Reserved for vital definitions or clinical data; use sparingly.