

Framework Color Palette Chart

Culturally Responsive Communication for Neurodiversity

Palette Philosophy

This palette uses soft, pastel tones to reduce emotional arousal, avoid hierarchy, and support calm communication in high-context educational settings

Colors are used to express variation without ranking



Core Palette

Color Name	Hex Code	Usage Guidance	Meaning (Implicit)
Soft Blue	#A7C7E7	Primary background, cards, calm sections	Stability, openness
Mint Green	#B7E4C7	Secondary accents, supportive emphasis	Safety, balance
Peach	#FFD6C9	Warm highlights, conversational elements	Approachability
Lavender	#DCC6E0	Reflection, transitions, gentle contrast	Thoughtfulness
Pale Yellow	#FFF1B6	Light emphasis, positive framing	Reassurance

Neutral Support Colors

Color Name	Hex Code	Usage
Soft White	#FAFAFA	Card backgrounds
Light Gray	#EDEDED	Borders, dividers
Warm Gray	#8A8A8A	Secondary text
Charcoal	#333333	Primary text only

Color Usage Rules

No single color should dominate a layout

Do not use color to imply:

- ability
- progress
- correctness
- value
- priority

Avoid:

- red, bright orange, neon colors
- strong black-white contrast
- green/red oppositions
- medical or warning colors

Color is expressive, not instructional. Variation is used to express diversity without hierarchy.

Accessibility Considerations

- Text contrast meets readability standards on light backgrounds
- Colors are distinguishable without relying on saturation
- Meaning is never conveyed by color alone