

Child Find: What it is and how it works

Child Find is a process for identifying and evaluating children ages 3 to 21, who are suspected of having an educational disability and may be eligible for special education and related services.

Emphasis is placed on early identification of all children with disabilities including students who attend a private/parochial school located in Cecil County regardless of residency.

Screening, evaluation, and any additional services are provided at no cost.



Who may refer a child?

- Parent/legal guardian
- Family member or friend
- Physician
- School personnel
- Childcare provider
- Community agency
- Social Worker

What is the process?

- A review or screening of available information about the child
- When screening indicates the possibility of an educational disability, the child is evaluated in relevant areas
- When results indicate that a child is eligible for special education services, an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Individualized Service Plan, is developed, depending on the age and residency of the child



Evaluations may be conducted for children suspected of having a disability in the areas of:

- Cognition (Understanding)
- Academic (Reading, Writing, Mathematics)
- Behavior
- Fine or gross motor skills
- Speech and language
- Social and emotional
- Adaptive or self-help



Eligibility Categories:

- Autism
- Deaf
- Deaf-Blindness
- Developmental Delay
- Emotional Disability
- Hearing Impairment
- Intellectual Disability
- Multiple Disabilities
- Orthopedic Impairment
- Other Health Impairment
- Specific Learning Disability
- Speech or Language Impairment
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Visual Impairment

Please complete the information below if you would like to make a referral for your child and fax to:

Child Find Program
Fax (410) 996-1062

Phone Referral

(410) 996-5444

Online Referral

<http://www.ccps.org/Page/246>

The Child Find Coordinator will contact you.

Name _____

Number _____

Address _____

Child's Name _____

Age _____

Do you have a concern about your child's development in any of these skill areas?

Please indicate the area or concern below.

- Cognitive-Ability to learn
- Physical-Ability to move, see, and hear
- Communication-Ability to speak and understand
- Social/Emotional-Ability to relate to others
- Adaptive-Ability to dress, eat, and take care of him/herself
- Diagnosed Condition
 - Other _____

Please share this information with your relatives, friends, and neighbors.

Early intervention is the key to success!



"Building a Foundation for Lifelong Learning"

CCPS Child Find

For more information please contact:
410-996-5444

See our website at www.ccps.org

Click on Community and select Child Find Referral

Child Find Program

A Special Education service provided to locate, identify, and evaluate children ages three through twenty-one, who are suspected of having an educational disability and who may be eligible for special education and related services.



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