

CHILD FIND



Identify. Locate. Evaluate.

What is child find?

Child Find is the process by which districts and public charter schools **identify** and **locate** children needing evaluation.

All children **birth-21** with disabilities *or suspected of having a disability*, regardless of the severity of their disabilities, and who are in need of *special education* and related services, must be **identified, located, and evaluated**.

Who can be part of child find?

- Any child age **birth-21** with a disability or suspected of having a disability
- Anyone concerned about a child can contact the Child Find representative for additional information and next steps.
- Districts are responsible for finding all students, including those parentally placed in *private schools*, children who are *homeschooled* and children who are *homeless*.
- Public charter schools are responsible for finding all students, including those who become homeless during enrollment.

Disabilities & Services

- If a student qualifies for district/charter special education services, *these services are provided at no cost*.
- Children are evaluated to determine the presence of one or more of the follow disabilities:
 - Physical Disability
 - Deaf or Hard of Hearing
 - Visual Impairment
 - Deaf-Blindness
 - Intellectual Disability
 - Emotional Disturbance
 - Speech and/or Language
 - Autism
 - Orthopedic Impairment
 - Other Health Impairment
 - Traumatic Brain Injury
 - Learning Disability

Hardin-Jefferson ISD

Special Education

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