

What is Child Find?

Child Find is the process of identifying, locating and evaluating children with disabilities who may be in need of special education and related services.

Why is there Child Find?

Both state and local education agencies are given the responsibility by federal and state laws to conduct child find activities so that children who need special services have the opportunity to receive those services.

What is the purpose of Child Find?

- ◆ To promote public awareness of disabilities
- ◆ To alert parents, professionals, and the public to children who may have special needs
- ◆ To assist school districts in finding children who may have disabilities and who otherwise may not have come to their attention
- ◆ To enable children and families to receive the special education and related services that are needed

What does a disability mean?

For age Birth to 3 - An established condition known to result in delay, or a documented developmental delay

For ages 3 through 5 - A documented deficit in one or more of the following developmental areas: communication, vision, hearing, motor skills, social emotional/behavioral functioning, self-help skills, and/or cognitive skills

For ages 5 through 21 - Identification of one or more of the following conditions: autism, deaf-blindness, hearing impairment including deafness, mental retardation, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, emotional disturbance, specific learning disability, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, and/or visual impairment including blindness

Who can help?

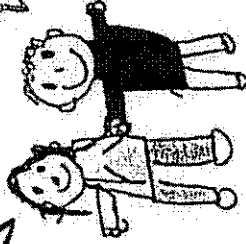
Parents, relatives, public and private agency employees, and concerned citizens are used to help school districts find any child, age birth - 21, who may have a disability and need special education and related services. If you are aware of a child who may have special needs, please notify his/her school district. Schools can do their job better with your help.

What happens next?

The school district will contact the parents of the child to find out if the child needs to be evaluated. Free testing is available to families to determine whether or not a special need exists. If a need is identified, the child can begin receiving special education and related services.

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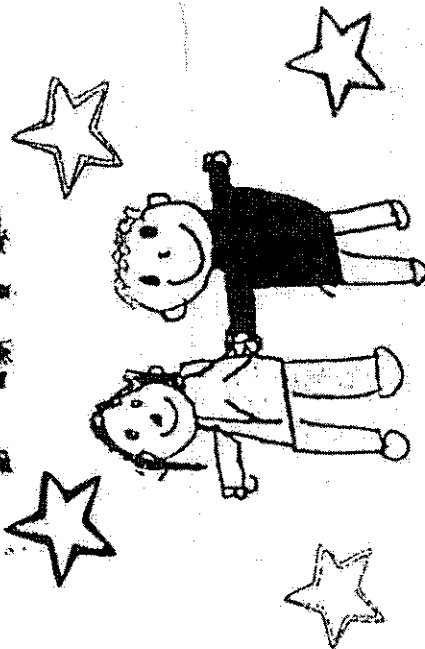


The sooner we know, the better it goes
for every child.



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*A Search for Children
with Disabilities
Ages Birth-21*



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If you have a child who may have special needs, help is available. Call your local school district or your area special education regional resource center (SERRC) at the number below:

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| Republic SERRC
937-393-1904
Adams, Brown, Clinton,
Fayette, Highland | Southeastern Ohio SERRC
740-594-4235
Athens, Calia, Hocking,
Jackson, Meigs, Monroe,
Morgan, Perry, Vinton,
Washington |
| Lincoln Way SERRC
330-875-2423
Columbiana, Stark, Wayne | Southwestern Ohio SERRC
513-553-6045
Butler, Clermont, Hamilton,
Warren |
| Miami Valley SERRC
937-235-5985
Clark, Darke, Greene, Miami
Montgomery, Pickle | West Central Ohio SERRC
419-729-9224
Allen, Auglaize, Champain,
Harrison, Logan, Mercer,
Shelby |
| Mid-Eastern Ohio SERRC
330-929-6654
Madura, Putrage, Summit | North Central Ohio SERRC
419-747-2863
Ashland, Cuyahoga, Knox, Marion,
Morrow, Richland, Wyandot |
| Central Ohio SERRC
614-292-4543
Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin
Licking, Madison, Pickaway
Union | North East Ohio SERRC
330-391-2010
Ashabuda, Mahoning,
Trumbull |
| Cuyahoga SERRC
440-883-2543
Cuyahoga | Northern Ohio SERRC
440-997-3633
Erie, Huron, Lorain |
| East Central Ohio SERRC
330-343-3343
Belmont, Carroll, Coshocton,
Custerwood, Harrison, Holmes,
Jefferson, Muskingum, Noble,
Tuscarawas | Northwest Ohio SERRC
419-832-6771
DeFiance, Fulton, Hancock,
Henry, Lucas, Ottawa,
Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky,
Seneca, Van Wert, Williams,
Wood |
| East Shore SERRC
440-356-8483
Cuyahoga, Lake | Pinnacle-Ross SERRC
740-354-6274
Lawrence, Pike, Ross,
Scioto |