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# *A Parent's Guide to Child Find*

## **What Is Child Find?**

Child Find is a part of the ***Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)*** that requires districts to locate, identify and evaluate children ages 3 to 21 who may have a disability. Referrals are accepted from parents, health care providers, day care programs, community agencies, and teachers.



## **Whom Do I Contact?**

### **Preschool Children**

If you are aware of a preschooler, from 3 to 5 years of age, who may need services, call (864) 397-1031 to schedule an appointment.

### **School Age Children and Youth**

If you have a child already in a Pickens County school who may be in need of special education services, please contact your school and express your concern to your child's teacher, school administrator, or guidance counselor.

### **Transfer Students**

If your child is transferring into the School District of Pickens County and has received special education services in another district, please contact Special Services at (864) 397-1037.

### **Home School or Private School Students**

Please contact Special Services at (864) 397-1031

## **How Can We Help?**

Referrals may be made to Child Find if you have concerns about a child's development in one or more of the following areas:

- ⇒ Cognitive Skills
- ⇒ Communication Skills
- ⇒ Daily Living Skills
- ⇒ Hearing
- ⇒ Motor Skills
- ⇒ Orthopedic Needs
- ⇒ Social/Emotional Skills
- ⇒ Vision

## **How Are Children Screened?**

Screenings for students not enrolled in school are conducted each month at a designated location within the School District of Pickens county. An appointment is necessary to participate.

Parent/guardian consent is required at the time of the screening appointment. The students are rotated through the following screening stations as needed:

- ⇒ Developmental
- ⇒ Hearing
- ⇒ Vision
- ⇒ Speech/Language
- ⇒ OT/PT