

SUBJECT: IDENTIFICATION AND LISTING OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES (CHILD FIND)

The District will locate, identify, and evaluate all students with disabilities who reside within its boundaries, including homeless children, children who are wards of the state, home-school children, and children attending private schools. Further, it is the policy of the Board of Education to conduct a census in order to locate and identify have all children with disabilities within the District under the age of twenty-one (21) including those children as described above, and to establish a listing of such students entitled to attend school or receive pre-school services.

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) or Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) will maintain and annually revise the LISTING of such students and others referred to the committee as possibly having a disability, as appropriate. In addition, census data shall be reported by October 1 to the CSE or CPSE as appropriate.

The District understands that its Child Find obligations have been expanded to include notification to every parent or person in parental relation, upon enrollment of their child in the District, of their rights regarding referral and evaluation for the purposes of special education services or programs pursuant to applicable federal and state laws. The District will provide such notice by directing parents or persons in parental relation to obtain information located on the State Education Department's website relating to a parent's guide to special education in New York State for children ages three (3) through twenty-one (21).

Any student suspected of having a disability should be referred to the applicable CSE/CPSE for evaluation and possible identification as a student with a disability.

Nonpublic School Students with Disabilities Who are Parentally Placed

If the District boundaries encompass a nonpublic school, the District, as the district of location, must develop and implement methods to identify, locate and ensure the identification and evaluation of students with disabilities who have been, or are going to be, parentally placed in such nonpublic school.

The child find activities must be similar to those for students with disabilities in public schools and must be completed in a time period comparable to that for other students attending public schools in the School District.

As the district of location, the District must also consult with the appropriate representatives of the nonpublic schools and parents of parentally placed nonpublic students to determine an accurate count of students with disabilities attending such schools and receiving special education services.

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These requirements only pertain to students with disabilities parentally placed in elementary and secondary nonpublic schools, not to parental placements of preschool children with disabilities in private day care or preschool programs; or to CSE placements of students with disabilities in approved private schools, Special Act School Districts, State-supported or State-operated schools; or to Charter schools.

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA),
20 USC §1400 et seq.
34 CFR Part 300
Education Law §§ 3240-3242, 3602-c(2)(a), 4401-a, 4402(1)(a), 4404, 4405 and 4410-6
8 NYCRR §§200.2(a), 200.4 and 200.6(m)(3)

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #7130 -- Entitlement to Attend -Age and Residency

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