



FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE

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The district ensures that all children with disabilities who needs special education and related services are identified, located, and evaluated consistent with the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA04 2004) and its implementing regulations. This includes children who attend public or private schools; those who are homeschooled; those who are highly mobile, including migrant and homeless; and those who are wards of the state. The child find requirement for districts applies to children birth through 21. Child find involves referral to Part C for children birth to 3, a screening process for children from age 3 to age 5, and a general education intervention process for children from kindergarten through age 21. District staff, in conjunction with parents, uses these processes to locate, evaluate, and identify children who may need special education and related services. Children in need of special education services should be identified as young as possible, and as soon as possible after the concern is noted.

It helps the child, the family, and the provider to plan appropriate services and link families to services for students meeting eligibility requirements in the following disability areas:

***INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES
DEAF/HARD OF HEARING
DEAF-BLINDNESS
VISUAL IMPAIRMENT
ORTHOPEDIC IMPAIRMENT
SPEECH-LANGUAGE IMPAIRMENT
SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITY
EMOTIONAL DISABILITY
TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY
DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY
OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT
AUTISM
MULTIPLE DISABILITIES***

The district provides information to the public concerning the availability of special education services for children with disabilities. Should you be aware of any child in the district who needs services and reside within the school district, please contact Special Services at 843-386-3268 weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., or in writing to P. O. Drawer 98, Johnsonville, South Carolina, 29555. The names of all persons will be kept confidential.

Florence County School District Five does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicapping condition, age, social status, religion, economic level, or any other area of unlawful discrimination in any aspect of its educational program and/or any other phase of its administration or operation.