

CHILD FIND

What is Child Find?

Child Find is a process designed to identify, locate, and evaluate individuals (birth through 21 years of age) with disabilities who may need special education services.

Who can begin the Child Find Process?

Anyone can start the process: A parent, doctor, teacher, relative, or friend can call **Pampa ISD, Special Education Department at 806-669-4700.**

Why should we refer?

Early identification and intervention can prevent failure and frustration. Special attention to teaching and learning strategies may help individuals overcome barriers to learning.



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*Do you know of an
infant, child, or
adolescent who does
not learn easily?*

*All individuals develop
at their own pace, but
some have more
difficulty than others.*

*There is a way to make
a difference for these
children and
adolescents.*



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What happens after the individual is referred?

- The parent(s) or legal guardian will be contacted by Pampa ISD personnel.
- Parent(s) or legal guardian and the school will decide if an assessment is needed. This same group may develop an assessment plan designed to evaluate areas of concern.
- An evaluation will be conducted by the appropriate personnel.
- The parent(s) or legal guardian and evaluation personnel will have a meeting to talk about assessment results, special education eligibility, and service options.

Who may qualify for special education services?

Individuals qualify for special education services when they have one or more of the following disabilities, according to federal and state criteria:

- Learning Disability (LD)
- Speech Impairment (SI)
- Orthopedic Impairment (OI)
- Other Health Impairment (OHI)
- Mental Retardation (MR)
- Emotional Disturbance (ED)
- Autism (AU)
- Multiple Disabilities (MD)
- Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
- Visual Impairment (VI)
- Auditory Impairment (AI)
- Deaf-Blindness (DB)
- Noncategorical Early Childhood (NCEC)

What services are available?

Each individual's need(s) will be addressed on an individualized basis by a team consisting of:

- public agency representative
- parent(s) or guardian

- evaluation personnel
- teacher(s)
- Student

The team will review assessment information, discuss eligibility, identify area(s) of need for specialized instruction, including related services such as occupational therapy, physical therapy, or counseling, and develop a plan to meet the needs of the individual.

How much do services cost?

All services are provided at no cost to the individual, parents, or guardian.

Where do I call?

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