

# Child Find

Child Find is a component of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) that requires states to identify, locate, and evaluate children with disabilities, regardless of the severity of their disabilities, who may be in need of special education services.

Edgefield County School District (ECSD) has procedures in place to assist families and community entities in providing a continuous process of screening and evaluation designed to locate, identify, and evaluate all children residing in the county with disabilities who may be in need for special education and related services.

If the child is enrolled in the Edgefield County School District, a separate Child Find outside of the school is NOT needed. The child's teacher and or school should be contacted with any concerns.

## What areas of concern are assessed at Child Find?

- Academic Readiness Skills
- Achievement Skills
- Cognitive Ability
- Communication/Speech Language
- Hearing
- Vision
- Motor Skills
- Social/Emotional and Behavioral Skills
- Daily Living Skills

## Frequently Asked Questions:

### Who should I call for an appointment?

For a preschool-age child, call 803-275-4601 option # 2

For a school-age private/homeschooled child, call 803-275-4601 option# 2

For an ECSD enrolled student, contact your child's school or teacher.

### How long is a Child Find appointment?

Initial appointments last approximately 1 hour. Some children will be referred for a follow-up appointment if needed. These appointments will range from 45 minutes to 2 hours.

### What happens after my initial Child Find appointment?

A team of Child Find evaluators will provide you with next steps following your appointment based on your child's individual needs.