

What is Child Find?

Child Find is a component of the Individuals with Disability Act (IDEA 2004) that requires states to locate, identify, and evaluate all children with disabilities ages birth through 21, who are in need of early intervention or special education and related services.

Early Intervention: Birth-to-Three

Early Intervention is a partnership between families and early childhood professionals and supports the growth, development, and learning of children birth to three years of age with developmental delays or disabilities. If you have a concern about your child's development and they are between the ages of birth and three, contact:

Early Childhood Intervention

Janelle Bersch (509) 664-8781

For more information about Early Learning in Washington State:

[The Washington State Department of Early Learning](#)

[Early Support for Infants and Toddlers](#)

[The State Division of Developmental Disabilities](#)

Preschool Child Find Program: Ages 3-5

The Early Childhood Development Team provides a free developmental screening and/or special education evaluation for all children ages three to five years suspected of having a developmental delay or disability.

If you would like to set up a Child Find screening for your 3-5 year-old child please contact:

Iris Theiss – (509)782-2710

School-Age Program: Kindergarten age through 21 years

(All children entering kindergarten must be five years old by August 31)

Child Find activities are extended to students who are homeschooled or attending private elementary or secondary schools located within the Cashmere School District boundaries.

Students in need of specialized education may be brought to the attention of the school district by parents or child care providers, educational staff, community agencies or other concerned individuals. Parents who wish to make their child (3 to 21) a "Focus of Concern" for special education may call our Special Education directly at (509) 782-2710.