

## **When should a child be referred to Child Find?**

- When birth complications or a medical disorder interferes with development and/or learning
- When the child seems to have difficulty hearing or seeing
- When you or others outside the family don't understand the child's speech
- When the child appears to be learning more slowly than other children his/her age
- When the child appears to have social or emotional difficulties that affect his/her ability to learn

Concerns need not be limited to those listed above. Any condition which may affect a child's ability to learn can be a basis for referral.



Everett Public Schools complies with federal and state Child Find rules and regulations. Child Find applies to all children residing within the district boundaries, including children who attend private schools, home school, highly mobile children, migrant children, homeless children and children who are wards of the state (20 U.S.C. 1412 (a)(3)).



# **Child Find**

**Locating, evaluating and helping children with disabilities.**



**Are you concerned about your child's development or progress in school?**

**425-385-5777**

## What is Child Find?

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

### Early Intervention Program of Snohomish County

#### Birth to Age 3

425-388-7402 or 1-800-927-9308

Early intervention services during the first three years can make a big difference in a child's life. The Department of Early Learning's (DEL) Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) program provides services to children birth to age 3 who have disabilities or developmental delays.

Eligible infants and toddlers and their families are entitled to individualized, quality early intervention services in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part C

## Preschool Child Find Program

### 3-to-age 5

The Early Childhood Development Team provides a free developmental screening and/or special education evaluation for all children ages 3 to 5 years suspected of having a developmental delay or disability.

The purpose of screening is to identify any developmental delays that may potentially affect a child's functional or pre-academic performance.

Upon completion of the screening, a member of the Early Childhood Development Team will explain the results to the child's Parents/guardian. If the screening results indicate the child is having difficulty in one or more areas, a meeting will be scheduled to refer the student for a possible special education evaluation.

Eligible preschool students are entitled to individualized, quality early intervention special education services in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part B

**To Contact the Early Childhood Team**  
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## School-Age Program

**Kindergarten age – 21 years old**  
*All children entering kindergarten must be 5 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 Everett School District boundaries.

To refer a student of concern, contact your neighborhood school.

Phone numbers and addresses can be obtained from the Everett School District website:  
<http://www.everettsd.org>