



*Atlanta Public Schools
Program for Exceptional Children*

Child Find

Atlanta Public Schools Child Find services can assist you in providing services to any infant, child, or young adult who may be at risk for a developmental delay

Overview

It is never too late to explore a child's educational opportunities. If you suspect that an infant, child, or young adult has a developmental delay or disability, Atlanta Public Schools Child Find can open a window of hope for a brighter future.

Each child is unique and some may have special needs or concerns when it comes to learning. But all have the right to a free appropriate education. Services at no cost to the family are available to all eligible individuals from birth through 21 years of age regardless of the severity of their disability.

Learning experiences encourage intellectual, social and emotional growth. Children develop self-confidence and the ability to get along with others. Every child has the capacity to learn, to develop and to grow to his or her full potential.

Do you know a child who may be in need of special education services? Atlanta Public Schools Child Find Services can provide needed educational/related services if there is an identified disability. Please contact the APS Child Serve Specialist at (404) 802-1695.



Does the child demonstrate problems or difficulties in any of the following areas?

Development

- Uneven or no movement
- Shows no interest in toys
- Physically overactive or passive
- Clumsy, makes lots of mistakes
- Limited strength, vitality or alertness

Behavior

- Restless
- Need for constant movement
- No understanding of real dangers
- Experiences drastic mood swings

Self-Help

Children develop at different rates. Most children will show steps toward independence during toddler years. Some concerns may be:

- Does not try to feed self
- Rarely expresses wants or desires
- Shows little or no independence
- Gives up too easily
- Depends on others to care for personal needs



Help is Available

Special services are available to eligible infants, children and young adults identified with a disability, who may be experiencing difficulties in one or more of the following areas:

- Physical Impairment
- Deaf or Hard of Hearing
- Visual Impairment
- Deaf-Blind
- Mental Retardation
- Behavioral Emotional Disturbance
- Learning Disability
- Speech and/or Language Delay
- Autism
- Health Impairment
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Cerebral Palsy
- Down Syndrome





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