

Poudre School District Child Find Services

Birth-21

In keeping with federal mandates and state regulations, the Poudre School District has professionals who are trained and certified to evaluate children when significant concerns are indicated for the child's early development or educational progress. Evaluation is provided in a variety of areas, including: Early concepts (birth-5), educational skills (PreK-12), cognitive functioning, speech-language skills, physical development, social-emotional functioning, and vision and hearing screening. Evaluations completed will address the area(s) of concern for each child.

Evaluations are conducted by Child Find Teams at no cost to parents, with parent consent, and with parent participation. After the evaluation is completed, a meeting is held with parents to determine eligibility for services. If a child is determined to be eligibility for services, an Individual Education Plan (IEP) is developed. If the child is under age 3 and is determined to be eligible, an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) is written.

This process is referred to as "Child Find" and is available to children age birth to 21, to ensure that children are identified and receive the special educational supports for which they are eligible. These services and supports are provided through Poudre School District's Integrated Services Department, also known as Special Education.

Contact for general Child Find information:

Jane Haack-DeBroux, PSD Child Find Specialist 490-3040, email:jhaackde@psdschools.org or

Becki Austin, PSD Integrated Services Parent Liaison 490-3225, email: raustin@psdschools.org

Contacts for Referrals to Child Find:

Birth through age 2: Foothills Gateway, Inc @ 970-226-2345.

Ages 3 - 5 (Preschool):

PSD Early Childhood Programs - for application and initial screening appointment, 490-3204 For questions and information, contact Jane Haack-DeBroux, Child Find Specialist, 490-3040.

Kindergarten-12:

PSD enrollment in K-12: Teacher & Special Education Coordinator at the child's school of attendance.

Charter School enrollment: Teacher & Special Education Coordinator at the charter school attending.

<u>Poudre Global Academy enrollment</u> (PSD's on-line program) – Teacher & School Counselor at PGA. (NOTE: For non-PSD on-line programs, contact the school district administering the on-line program.)

Home-School or Private School enrollment: Jane Haack-DeBroux, 490-3040

Ages 18-21 and not previously identified and have not yet graduated: Jane Haack-DeBroux . 490-3040

