

Referral Sources

Who can refer
a child for an evaluation?

Parents

School Districts

Social Service Agencies

Day Care Programs

Physicians

Hospitals

Public Health Facilities

If your child has a disability or you suspect a
disability, please contact:

Ohio Coalition for the Education of
Children with Disabilities

165 W. Center St., Suite 302
Marion, OH 43302
1-800-374-2806

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CHILD FIND
AGES 3 THROUGH 21



**OHIO COALITION FOR THE EDUCATION OF
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The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires that a state identify, locate, and evaluate all children with a disability residing in the state, regardless of the severity of the disability.
(Federal Regulation: 34 C.F.R. 300.128)

Child Find includes children that are:

Homeless

Advancing from grade to grade

Migrant

Enrolled in private school

3 through 21 years old

Wards of the state

Suspected of being a child with a disability

Every child in this country is entitled to a
Free Appropriate Public Education.

The Purpose of Child Find

- To assist school districts in finding children with disabilities who may not have come to the district's attention.
- To promote public awareness of disabilities to parents, professionals and the general public to locate children who may have special needs.
- To enable children with disabilities to receive the special education and related services that they are entitled to by law.

Child Find ensures that procedures are in place to address the

- **Identification**
- **Location**
- **Evaluation**

of all children with disabilities who reside within the school district or attend a private school within the school district's geographical boundaries.



IDEA looks at the developmental, functional, and academic needs of a child.