# **ASHER PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

# **CHILD FIND PROGRAM**

**2021-2022**

##### **Identify, Locate and Evaluate Children with Disabilities**

Child Find is a public awareness activity to identify, locate, and evaluate children ages 3 through 21 years of age who may have disabilities defined under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) of 2004. A child with a disability means a child evaluated and determined eligible for special education and related services in accordance with the Policies and Procedures of Special Education in Oklahoma under the following categories:

**Autism Multiple Disabilities**

**Deaf-Blindness Orthopedic Impairment**

###### **Hearing Impairment Including Deafness Other Health Impairmen**ts

###### **Visual Impairment Including Blindness Specific Learning Disability**

**Emotional Disturbance Speech or Language Impairment**

**Intellectual Disabilities Traumatic Brain Injury**

**Asher Public School District is responsible for locating, evaluating and identifying children with disabilities who live within the district boundaries. All eligible children with disabilities beginning age of 3, who are residents of the Asher Public Schools District, have a right to a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) as mandated by the IDEA Act of 2004. The specific special education related services for children age 3-21 are determined per child by the Individualized Education Program (IEP) team.**

For individuals who are residents of the Asher Public School District or attending a private school in the Asher area and need information regarding an evaluation to determine eligibility for services, please contact The Child Find Office:

**For Ages 3-21**

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A multidisciplinary team of professionals will be involved in the evaluation process. The eligibility team will determine the severity of the disability, and for school age children, if the disability adversely affects the child’s educational performance.

**Services for infants and toddlers (ages 0 to 3) who are suspected of having disabilities are provided services through the Sooner Start Early Intervention Program. If you suspect your infant or toddler has a disability, contact the** **Pottawatomie County Sooner Start Program.**