

Newkirk Public Schools
Child Find Program
2020-2021 School Year

Identifying, Locating, and Evaluating Children with Disabilities

Child Find is a public awareness activity to identify, locate and evaluate children ages 3 through high school graduation with a diploma, or through 21 years of age, if necessary, who may have disabilities defined under the Individuals with Disabilities Education act (IDEA) of 2004.

Developmental Delay (DD)

A preschool child (ages 3-5) may be determined eligible as a child with a developmental delay requiring special education and related services if one or more of the two eligibility criteria below are met:

- Functioning one and half standard deviations below the mean in two domains or two standard deviations below the mean in one domain.
- In extraordinary cases when a standardized score cannot be determined, the child may be determined to have a disability based on functionality and the informed opinion of the group with documentation of the rationale for the inability to obtain a standardized score.

There are five (5) domain areas of development that are measured: Communication, Social/Emotional, Adaptive Behavior, Cognitive and Motor/Physical.

The following are categories of disabilities: Autism, Orthopedic Impairment, Developmental Delay, Speech and Language Impairment, Visual Impairment Including Blindness, Multiple Disabilities, Other Health Impairments, Specific Learning Disability, Intellectual Disabilities, Deaf-Blindness, Hearing Impairment including Deafness, Emotional Disturbance and Traumatic Brain Injury.

Newkirk Public School District is responsible for locating all eligible students with disabilities beginning at the age of 3, who are residents of the Newkirk Public School District. They have the right to a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) as mandated by IDEA. The specific special education and related services for children are determined per child by the Individualized Education Program (IEP) team.

For children 3 to 5 years of age, who are residents of the Newkirk Public School District, or attending a private school in the Newkirk area please contact:

Newkirk Public School Special Services
701 West South Street, Newkirk, OK 74647
580-362-2279

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 a disability of your infant or toddler contact Oklahoma County Sooner Start Program at 405-271-9477