WHAT IS CHILD FIND?

Child Find refers to the process of locating, identifying, and evaluating children and youth who may be eligible for special education services designed to meet their educational needs at no cost to families. Children and youth, ages birth to 21, living in the Los Angeles Unified School District, who are suspected of having a disability may be referred for a possible evaluation to determine if they are eligible for special education services. This includes children and youth who are experiencing homelessness, highly mobile, migrant, wards of the state and children and youth attending private schools located within LAUSD boundaries regardless of where they reside. All other children must live in the LAUSD attendance area.

WHO TO CONTACT

PRESCHOOL AGE CHILDREN
For children ages birth to 3 years and for preschool age children not enrolled in LAUSD elementary school preschool classrooms and not enrolled in LAUSD early education center programs, contact the LAUSD Early Childhood Special Education at (213) 241-4713.

For preschool age children enrolled in LAUSD early education center programs, contact the LAUSD Early Education Center where the child is enrolled.

For preschool age children enrolled in an LAUSD elementary school preschool classroom, contact the neighborhood LAUSD school.

SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN & YOUTH
For school age children and youth enrolled in an LAUSD classroom, contact the neighborhood school.

STUDENTS IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS
For students ages 5-22 years parentally placed in private schools located within LAUSD boundaries and who reside within LAUSD boundaries, contact your neighborhood LAUSD school.

For students ages 5-22 years parentally placed in private schools located within LAUSD boundaries and who do not reside within LAUSD boundaries, contact the LAUSD Division of Special Education, Parentally Placed Private School Office at (213) 241-8101 or pppso@lausd.net.

For more information, visit https://achieve.lausd.net/spedChildFind