Child Find Referral Process:

Parents seeking Child Find or Special Education Services for a child who attends a private, religious home school or parochial school geographically located in Prince George's County, should contact the Child Find Office for Private, Religious and Home School Students (Ages 5-21) at 301.618.8300. Parents/Guardians can schedule an appointment to complete registration and receive the referral form packet.

Documents Needed for Registration:

- 1. Original Birth Certificate
- 2. Immunization Record
- 3. Proof of Residence (Lease, Deed, Settlement Papers, Mortgage Statement, Tax Bill, or Notarized Shared Housing Form)
- 4. A piece of mail that goes to your address (phone bill, gas bill, etc.)
- 5. Copy of Parent/Guardian Photo ID
- 6. Other (previous Individualized Education Plans, evaluation reports, etc.

Eligibility Determination

Eligibility for services are determined through the Individualized Education Program (IEP) process conducted at the boundary school. Student's boundary school is based on home address, or the address of the parochial school if the student's home address is outside of Prince George's County. The Child Find Office uses the Prince George's County Public Schools School Finder Tool to identify boundary schools.



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John Carroll Center 1400 Nalley Terrace Landover, Maryland, 20785

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Prince George's County Public Schools

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What is Child Find?

The purpose of Child Find is to locate and evaluate children who are suspected of having a developmental delay or disability.

If it is determined that the disability interferes with the child's learning, special education and/or other additional services may be recommended.

When should a child be referred?

- When physical condition or medical disorder interferes with the child's development and/or learning.
- When the child seems to have difficulty understanding simple directions.
- When the child seems to have difficulty seeing or hearing.
- When the parent or those outside the family do not understand what the child says.
- When the child appears to be learning more slowly than age level peers.
- When the child appears to have social emotional difficulties that affect his/or her development.
- When your child may not be meeting developmental milestones.

Concerns need not be limited to those listed above. Any condition which may affect a child's ability to learn or function can be a basis for a referral.

Who may refer children?

Children may be referred by any of the following:

- Parent/legal guardians
- Other family members*
- Physicians*
- School personnel*
- Child care providers*
- Community agencies*

*Parent consent is required for further action.

