



CHILD FIND ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) requires that public school agencies ensure all children (from birth through age 21) with delays or developmental disabilities are identified, located, and evaluated to receive the supports and services they need. This includes all children living within the geographic boundaries of the school district – those who are homeless or wards of the state, are attending private schools, or are home schooled.

Public schools and the Arizona Early Intervention Program are responsible for “finding” eligible children and providing services needed for them to reach their developmental milestones or meet their educational needs.

- Early intervention supports and services assists families of eligible children by helping children ages birth to 3 years develop to their full potential. In Arizona, early intervention services are provided through Early Intervention Program (AzEIP).
- Preschool special education services for children ages 3 to 5 provide special strategies to help eligible children reach their developmental milestones.
- Special education services for school-aged children in kindergarten through age 21 provide specialized instruction and services to assist children in the educational environment.

For additional information about child find, please contact the following agencies:

Department of Economic Security
Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP) www.azdes.gov/AzEIP/