



If Your Child Needs a Helping Hand

Call FDLRS Child Find



Child Find can help your young child by providing . . .

- Screening** Child Find conducts screening in the areas of communication, motor development, vision, hearing, and school readiness skills. In this way, problems may be detected early and a plan can be developed.
- Assistance** Child Find assists in placing children with special needs in appropriate exceptional education programs.
- Information** Child Find provides information about programs available within the community for children with special needs.

If you have specific questions about your child, please call Child Find to talk to one of our Child Find Specialists. There's NEVER a charge for our services.



Mr. Gerard Robinson, Commissioner
Florida Department of Education

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Serving Palm Beach County



Child Find offers information and **FREE SCREENING** for children (birth–5 years) who may have difficulty:

- learning
- speaking
- playing
- seeing
- walking
- hearing

Your Child's Development

Listed below are developmental skills that typically occur by the age noted. These are only general guidelines—all children develop at different rates.

Birth to 6 months

- Turns toward sounds
- Laughs, squeals, or babbles to people
- Holds onto your finger
- Reaches for rattle or toy

6 Months to 1 Year

- Crawls
- Sits without support
- Jabbers at length
- Plays pat-a-cake
- Recognizes mother (or primary care giver)

1 Year to 18 Months

- Points to at least 2 body parts when asked
- Names 2 or more objects
- Reacts to parents coming and going
- Is beginning to feed self
- Walks without help

18 Months to 2 Years

- Drinks from cup without help
- Can build a tower of 3 or 4 blocks
- Says the name of 5 or more objects
- Shows interest in other children
- Can follow a simple direction

2 to 3 Years

- Puts words together to make simple sentences
- Uses spoon and fork to feed self
- Can hold and mark with a pencil or crayon
- Can climb the ladder on a slide
- Can identify happy, sad, angry, and afraid
- Claims things as “mine”
- Runs with ease

3 to 4 Years

- Can pedal a tricycle or “big wheel”
- Is toilet trained
- Counts to 5
- Plays in a small group (shares, takes turns)
- Asks “what,” “where” and “why” questions
- Speech is easily understood by others

4 to 5 Years

- Can throw and catch a ball
- Can tell a story with a beginning, middle, and end from looking at a picture
- Copies simple shapes (circle, square, and triangle)
- Uses complete sentences in conversation
- Tries to write some letters of his/her name

