

## Who Do I Call for Information?

For more information about  
Special Education services in  
the Franklin Special School  
District, please contact  
Special Populations  
Supervisor, Dr. Cheryl Robey,  
at 615-794-6624.



The FSSD adheres to all federal and  
state requirements as outlined in the  
Individuals with Disabilities Education  
Act (IDEA) or the Tennessee Special  
Education Eligibility Standards.



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Child Find



# Purpose of Child Find

The purpose of Child Find is to locate children who have an educational disability and may require special education services.

Public school districts, such as Franklin Special School District, are required to provide a FAPE (Free Appropriate Public Education) to qualified students with disabilities enrolled in public schools who reside in their jurisdiction. The provision of FAPE ensures through procedures pertaining to educational setting, evaluation, placement, and procedural safeguards that the individual educational needs of students with disabilities or impairments are provided as adequately as the educational needs of students without disabilities or impairments. Students in private or home school settings located within the FSSD boundaries may receive services by way of a Service Plan as determined by the district's analysis of the needs of private and home schooled students in the district. FSSD is required to spend a proportionate share of federal funds on eligible students with disabilities enrolled in private school or home school settings.



# FSSD Child Find Initiative

The Franklin Special School District Child Find program identifies preschool through eighth-grade children with special education needs including intellectual disabilities, developmental delays, autism, specific learning disabilities, serious emotional disturbance, multiple disabilities, intellectual giftedness, traumatic brain injury, blindness, and the following impairments: speech/language, hearing, orthopedic, and visual.

Educational needs are determined through parent interviews and child evaluations. Areas evaluated may include, but are not limited to vision, hearing, academic delays in reading, math and written expression, speech and language, motor, cognitive and adaptive development.

Following the evaluation, if a child meets the Tennessee State Eligibility Standards and their needs cannot be met in the general education setting, an Individual Education Program (IEP) will be developed and an appropriate program offered to meet the child's unique educational needs.

If you suspect your **K-8 child** needs additional support to receive a free and appropriate education, please contact the FSSD at 615-794-6624.

If you suspect your **preschool child** (ages 3 to 5) needs additional support to receive a free and appropriate education, please contact Hanni Watson at 615-794-4837.

# Available Support Services in Public School

- Assistive Technology
- Audiological Services
- Behavioral Interventions
- Counseling Services
- Homebound Instruction
- Intense intervention in reading, math and/or written expression
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Psychological Services
- School Health Services
- Speech/Language Therapy
- Vision Therapy

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