
Early Childhood Assessment Team (ECAT)

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Early Childhood Assessment Team (ECAT) Center

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WPUSD Preschool Child Find



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What is Child Find?

Child Find is a component of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) that requires states to identify, locate, and evaluate all children with suspected disabilities, age birth to 21, who are in need of early intervention or special education services.

What is the cost to my family?

Nothing.

Who is eligible?

Children who are residing within the boundaries of WPUSD and who are pre-school age (generally between the ages of 3 and 5 years of age) and are showing difficulties in one or more developmental area.

What can I watch for?

Children who show difficulties in any of the following areas:

- *Using and understanding language*
- *Speech production*
- *Known vision and/or hearing problems*
- *Gross motor (walking/running)*
- *Fine motor (manipulating objects/drawing)*
- *Self-help skills*
- *Behavior/social skills*
- *Learning basic academic readiness skills (colors, shapes, numbers, letters)*

Who do I contact?

WPUSD Special Education office at (916) 645-4078 (Carla O'Brien).



What happens next?

Referral packet will be sent to parents. After parent has submitted ALL required paperwork, the Early Childhood Assessment Team (ECAT) will observe the child and determine need for further evaluation.

If an evaluation is needed...

An assessment plan will be signed by the parent and the assessment will be scheduled with appropriate ECAT member(s) to determine eligibility and need for an Individualized Education Program (IEP).



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