

Blazer Bits

Pre-K through 3rd Grade



Look at the Week Ahead FOR PreK-3rd Grade Parents

Monday, September 9:

- Happy Birthday, Mrs. Washburn! UCS is so thankful for you!!
- The Book Fair is at UCS Lyon!
- AWAY Varsity Volleyball Game vs. RC Hatch @ 5:00 pm
- AWAY Middle School Football Game vs. Thomasville @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 10:

- Happy Birthday, Mrs. Gibson! Thank you for everything you do for UCS!!
- The Book Fair is at UCS Lyon!
- Grandparents' Day Celebration in UCS Lyon Cafeteria @ 11:30-2:55 pm
- HOME JV Volleyball Game vs. Keith @ 5:00 pm
- UCS Board Meeting @ 5:30 pm
- HOME Varsity Volleyball Game vs. Keith @ 6:00 pm

Wednesday, September 11:

- The Book Fair is at UCS Lyon!
- Students Dismiss @ 1:00 pm
- CMA Dance in UCS Lyon Cafeteria
 - 12:45-1:15 Boys Tumble
 - 1:15-2:15 1st Grade ONLY
 - 2:15-3:15 Pre-K, K, 2nd and up

Thursday, September 12:

- The Book Fair is at UCS Lyon!
- Cross Country in Phenix City @ 4:30 (boys) and 5:10 (girls)
- AWAY Varsity Volleyball Game vs. AL Johnson @ 5:00 pm
- State of the School Address, Title I Meeting, and PTA Meeting in UCS Smith Gym @ 5:30 pm

Friday, September 13:

- The Book Fair is at UCS Lyon!
- SPIRIT DAY! ICE OUT THE SAINTS!! Students can pay \$1 to wear jeans with themed accessories or UCS t-shirt!!!
- AWAY Varsity Football Game vs. Holy Spirit @ 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 14:

- Volleyball Tournament @ Northridge

Sunday, September 15:

- Happy Birthday, Mrs. Elizabeth Allen! We love you so much!!





Monday 9/9	Tuesday 9/10	Wednesday 9/11	Thursday 9/12	Friday 9/13
<p>Breakfast French toast Fruit Milk</p> <p>Lunch Chicken Nuggets Baked Beans Fruit Milk</p>	<p>Breakfast Strawberry bagels Fruit Milk</p> <p>Lunch Mozz. Breadstick Green Beans Fruit Milk</p>	<p>Breakfast Cinnamon Rolls Fruit Milk</p> <p>Lunch Pizza Carrots/Celery Fruit milk</p>	<p>Breakfast Sausage Biscuits Fruit Milk</p> <p>Lunch Crisпитos Corn Fruit Milk</p>	<p>Breakfast Cereal Fruit Milk</p> <p>Lunch Hamburger Fries Fruit Milk</p>

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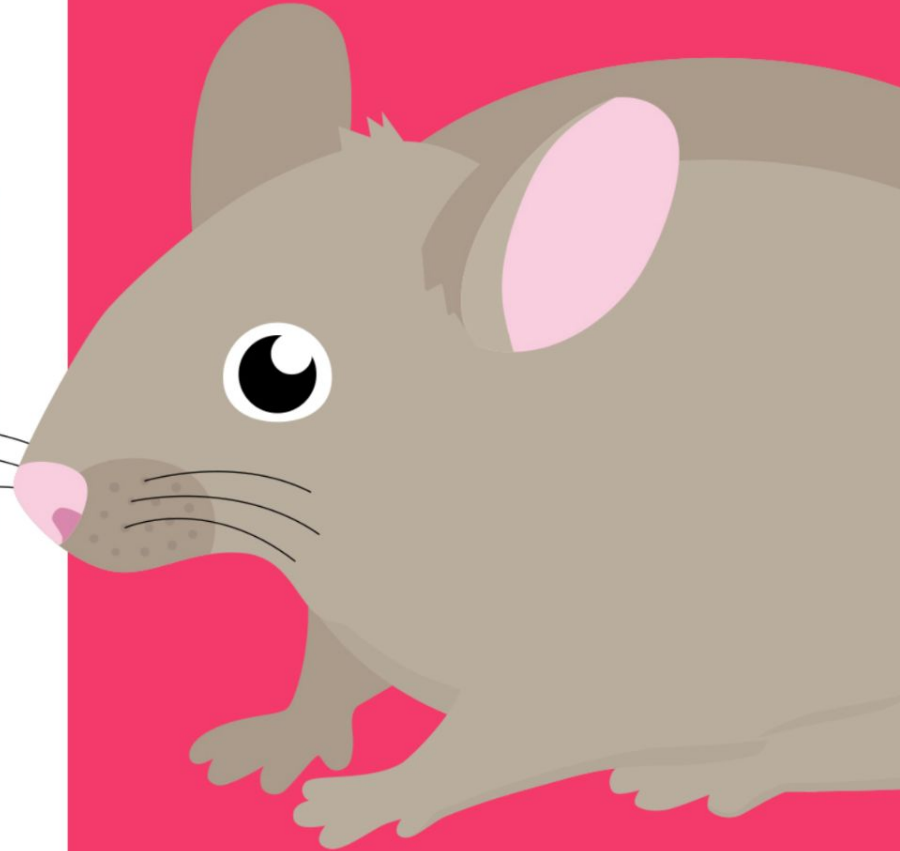
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SEPTEMBER 2024 | MOUSE

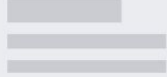
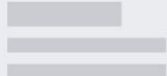
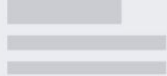
COMPASSION

CARING ENOUGH TO DO SOMETHING
ABOUT SOMEONE ELSE'S NEEDS



An illustration of a stack of three white sheets of paper representing an attendance sheet. The top sheet is titled 'ATTENDANCE' and features a list of four rows. Each row contains a checkbox, a grey silhouette of a person, and three horizontal bars representing data. The checkboxes are checked for the first, second, and fourth rows, and unchecked for the third row. The sheets are slightly offset to show depth.

ATTENDANCE



2024 ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN

SEPTEMBER 3-30

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ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN INCENTIVES

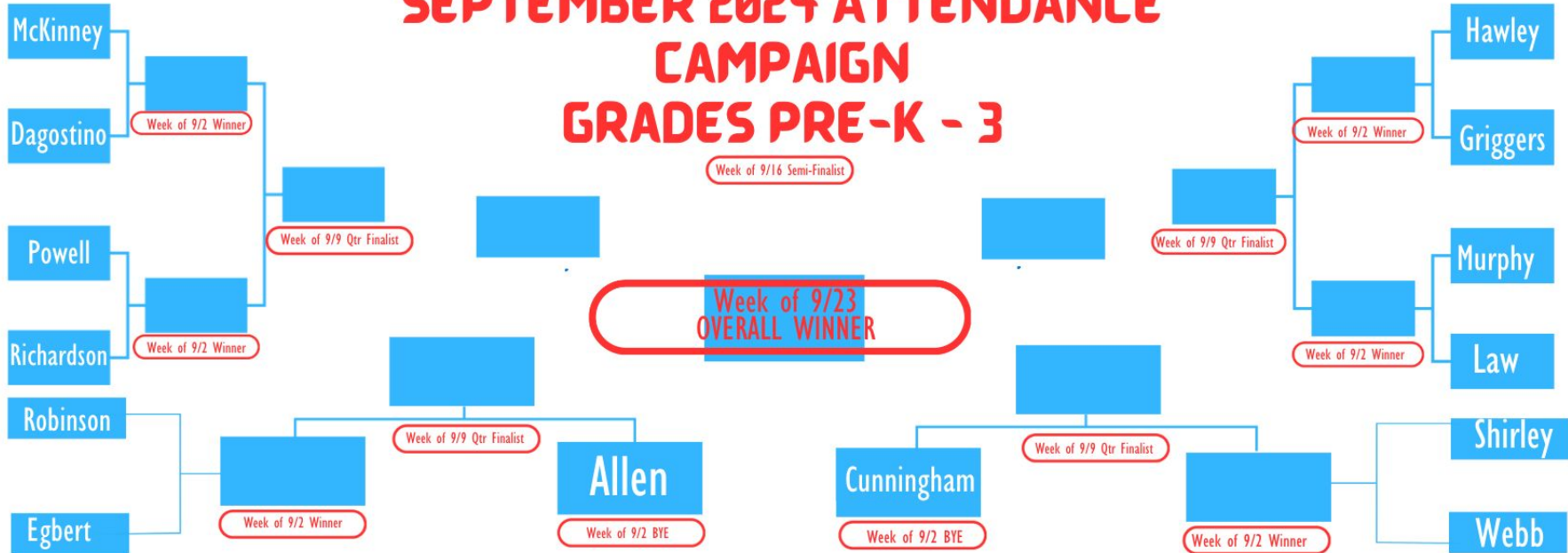


- Homeroom winner in each grade band gets a pizza & coke lunch
- All students with *100% attendance get Kona Ice and are entered into a prize drawing with one winner in each grade band
- Students with *100% attendance each week will earn 5 house points. Students with *100% attendance at the end of the month will receive an additional 10 house points. The House with the most students with *100% attendance at the end of the month will receive 100 points.

***100% attendance means present all day, everyday, with no check-ins or check-outs**



SEPTEMBER 2024 ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN GRADES PRE-K - 3



LYON HOUSES



Mrs. Hawley
Mrs. Webb
Mrs. Egbert
Mr. Dagostino
Ms. Griggers



Mrs. McKinney
Mrs. Murphy
Mrs. Robinson
Mrs. Allen
Mrs. Cunningham

SPED Self-Contained



Mrs. Powell
Ms. Shirley
Mrs. Law
Ms. Richardson

At UCS Lyon, students are in the Character House of their teacher. When they move up to UCS Smith in 4th grade they get to spin the sorting wheel and join a house of their own.

Be on the lookout during the year for ways students can earn points for themselves and their house through participating in different house challenges.



NOW OPEN: CHARACTER HOUSE STORE !

Students should email Mrs. Meadows to purchase items or spend house points. All items in the store can be purchased with house points or cash.

UCS HOUSE STORE



EMAIL MRS. MEADOWS
cmeadows@universitycharterschool.org



3 Inch Stickers
7 Points or \$2



Pens
5 Points or \$1



Pencils
5 Points or \$1



Bracelets
5 Points or \$1



40 Ounce Cups
20 Points or \$25



Socks
12 points or \$15

**Points remaining from
last year carry over
into this year!**



VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



8/16/24 VS TUSCALOOSA ACADEMY PRE-SEASON 7:00

8/30/24 VS HUBBERTVILLE 7:00

9/06/24 @ RED BAY HIGH SCHOOL 7:00

9/13/24 @ HOLY SPIRIT 7:00

9/20/24 @ PICKENS ACADEMY 7:00

9/27/24 VS. MARENGO (HC) 7:00

10/4/24 VS RC HATCH 7:00

10/11/24 @ CHOCTAW COUNTY 7:00

10/18/24 VS FRANCIS MARION 7:00

10/25/24 VS LINDEN HIGH 7:00

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

8/26/24 @ PICKENS ACADEMY 6:00

9/03/24 @ SWEET WATER 6:00

9/09/24 @ THOMASVILLE 6:00

9/16/24 VS SWEET WATER 6:00

9/23/24 VS THOMASVILLE 6:00

9/30/24 VS PICKENS ACADEMY 6:00



UCS VOLLEYBALL

» HOME Schedule



August 22

OPENING NIGHT
4:30 JV vs. Thomasville
5:30 V vs. Thomasville

August 26

4:30 V vs. RC Hatch
-
6:30 V vs. Choctaw County

September 5

THANK A TEACHER NIGHT
5:00 V vs. Linden
6:00 V vs. A.L Johnson

September 10

5:00 JV vs. Keith
6:00 V vs. Keith

September 17

4:30 JV vs. Breakthrough
-
6:30 JV vs. Choctaw County

September 21

JV Trailblazer Invitational

October 10

SENIOR NIGHT
4:30 V vs. Pickens Academy
-
6:30 V vs. Demopolis



BLAZERS

2024 UCS CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE



- 08.24 | **CCS #1**
ANDALUSIA, AL
- 09.12 | **Central - Golf Course**
PHENIX CITY, AL
- 09.19 | **Vinemont Invitational**
CULLMAN, AL
- 10.03 | **Heather Bryan XC Invitational**
OPP, AL
- 10.08 | **Berry Backwoods Challenge**
HOOVER, AL
- 10.22 | **Cullman County Championship**
BREMEN, AL

UCS

BLAZERS

2024 UCS

Pep Rally Themes

Pay \$1 to wear jeans **WITH** themed accessories or UCS t-shirt. All PreK-3rd grade girls are approved to wear cheer uniforms purchased from The Liberty Shop or UCS Cheer .

8/30- “Lei out the Lions” Hawaiian shirt and accessories

9/06- “Tame the Tiger” UCS T-shirt and Jeans.

9/13- “Ice out the saints” icy accessories.

9/20- “ Hunt down the Pirates” Camo Shirt and accessories.

9/27- "Theres No Place Like HOCO”

10/04- Fall Break

10/11- “Throw back the Tigers” Choose your favorite decade

10/18 “Rock out the Rams” Rockstar accessories

10/25-"Pink out the Patriots” Breast Cancer Awarness

Cheerleaders will be selling spirit gear Game Day mornings!

tattoo-\$1.00, spirit ribbon-\$1.00, shaker-\$2.00

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September 3rd - September 18th

Organization ID: 15924

Questions? ucspta@universitycharterschool.org



SEPTEMBER 9 - 13

DURING SCHOOL HOURS WITH HOMEROOM TEACHER, BUT WE WILL ALSO
BE OPEN FROM 3:30-5:30 DURING AFTERSCHOOL PICKUP!

SAVE
the
DATE



#ScholasticBookFairs



GAMES with GRANDS

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Pre-K: 11:30-12:15

Kindergarten: 12:25-12:55

First: 1:05-1:35

Second: 1:45-2:15

Third: 2:25-2:55

House T-Shirt Swap! Thursday, September 12 at the PTA Meeting

Lyon parents - If your child is in a different house than they were in last year or if they have outgrown their house t-shirt, bring it to school by Tuesday, September 10. At the PTA meeting on September 12, we will have a table set up where you can take a shirt for your child's new house.

- *Please make sure shirts brought are clean and stain-free.
- *Only one shirt per student may be taken.
- *Shirts will be available while supplies last! No guarantees can be made that we will have your child's house or size.



PTA MEETING



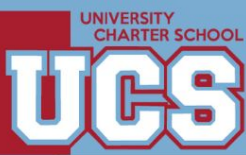
SEPT. 12



5:30PM

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WILL BE
FALL FEST PLANNING MEETING





PARENT CONNECT 2024-2025 Dates

Date	Topic(s)	Relevant Audience	Location	Time
9/12/24	State of the School Address PTA Meeting Title 1 Meeting	PreK-12th	Smith Gymnasium	5:30 PM
10/7/24	Post-Secondary Planning Overview	9th-12th	Smith Cafeteria	5:30 PM
10/28/24	UCS Fall Festival	PreK-6th	McConnell Field @ Lyon Hall	5:00-7:00 PM
11/4/24	Drug & Digital Safety Awareness	4th-8th	Smith Cafeteria	5:30 PM
12/10/24	Band Holiday Showcase PTA Meeting Milk & Cookies with Santa	PreK-12th	Lyon Auditorium	5:30PM
1/7/25	On-Site Uniform Sale CNP Showcase	PreK-12th	Smith Foyer & Cafeteria	2:00-6:00 PM
2/4/25	CTE Month Highlight	4th-12th	Smith Cafeteria	5:30 PM
3/10/25	ACAP Parent Meeting PTA Meeting	2nd-8th	Lyon Auditorium	5:30 PM
4/24/25	Secondary Programs Night	6th-12th	Smith Gymnasium	5:30 PM

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PLEASE PRINT

Little Miss Christmas on the River Pageant Entry Form

Pageant Date: Wednesday, October 9, 2024
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Demopolis Civic Center
Entry Fee: \$35.00

Contestant must be in K, 1st, or 2nd grade AND must go to school and live within a 45 mile radius of Demopolis AND MUST be at least 5 years old to be in pageant

Contestant's Full Name: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s): _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Email address: _____

Circle One: kindergarten 1st grade 2nd grade

Please have your daughter answer the following questions. Her answers will be used the night of the pageant for her bio while on stage.

- What grade are you in? _____
- Where do you go to school? _____
- What is your favorite thing about school? _____
- What do you like to do outside of school? _____

The deadline for applications is Monday, September 20, 2024.

Only the first 50 applicants will be accepted.

Completed applications and signed rules (see back of this form)

MUST be mailed or emailed (preferred) to:

Little Miss Christmas on the River 2023
Katelyn Beshears
1615 Chickasaw St
Demopolis, AL 36732

email:
kbeshears131@gmail.com

334.654.1504

Please enclose the \$35.00 entry fee with your application.
Make checks payable to: **LITTLE MISS CHRISTMAS ON THE RIVER**
OR Venmo: **Kate_BI31** - please include child's name if using Venmo
The one and ONLY pageant practice will be held Sunday, October 6, at 1pm
at the Demopolis Civic Center.

****The Little Miss COTR winner and Court are REQUIRED to ride the designated float in the Day Parade on December 7, 2024 AND participate in all other COTR events that week. If the participation does not occur, the contestant will not be eligible to compete the following year.**



CHRISTMAS on the RIVER PAGEANT RULES & REGULATIONS



All pageant participants must meet the criteria and follow the guidelines outlined below in order to participate in any division of the Christmas on the River Pageants.

- Participants must live AND attend school within a forty-five mile radius of Demopolis.
- Participants should be upstanding, productive citizens within their school and the community.
- Once you have won an age division you cannot participate in that division again. You must wait until you move into the next age category.
- Participants should choose age-appropriate dress for pageant competition. It WILL be communicated to the judges to take this factor into consideration when scoring.
- Participants who win or place MUST attend the subsequent pageants in their pageant attire with crown and/or sash – participants must sit in designated area and display behavior appropriate to their title (no gum or cell phones).
- Participants who win or place MUST attend the required events during the week of Christmas on the River – they must dress according to instructions, arrive in a timely manner, and display behavior appropriate to their title.
- If a participant is not able to meet the above requirements for attendance a written excuse signed by parent/guardian must be provided – distance/travel is NOT considered an acceptable excuse.
- The pageant committee will review all rules and regulations and will determine if a participant is in violation – rulings made by the pageant committee are final.
- Any participant who is found to be in violation of the rules and regulations will be disqualified, will forfeit her title, and will not be allowed to participate in Christmas on the River pageants the following year.

After reading the above rules, please sign below.
Return this form by September 20, 2024.

Participant Name _____
Participant Signature _____ Date: _____
Parent Name _____
Parent Signature _____ Date: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR PAGEANT:

- Miss COTR Pageant (Grades 9-10-11-12)
- Miss Junior COTR Pageant (Grades 6-7-8)
- Young Miss COTR Pageant (Grades 3-4-5)
- Little Miss COTR Pageant (Grades K-1-2)

Young Miss Christmas on the River Pageant
Entry Form

Pageant Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Demopolis Civic Center
Entry Fee: \$35.00

Contestant must be in the 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade AND
must go to school and live within a 45 mile radius of Demopolis



Contestant No. _____

Contestant's Full Name: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s): _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Email address: _____

School: _____ (include zip code if not in Demopolis)

Circle One: 3rd grade 4th grade 5th grade

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My hobbies: _____

What I like best in school: _____

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Young Miss Christmas on the River 2024

**Anna Foy Moseley
1200 Herbert St
Demopolis, AL 36732**

phone 912.690.4164

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Young Miss COTR Pageant (Grades 3-4-5)

Little Miss COTR Pageant (Grades K-1-2)

PLEASE PRINT

Homecoming Week!
September 23-September 27

THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE
HOMECOMING LYON CAMPUS
DRESS UP DAYS

- MONDAY:** COUNTRY VS. COUNTRY CLUB!
- TUESDAY:** TEACHER TUESDAY! (DRESS LIKE YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER)
- WEDNESDAY:** WACKY WEDNESDAY!
- THURSDAY:** CHARACTER DAY!
- FRIDAY:** SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY!





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2024 ALL KIDS MONTHLY INCOME GUIDELINES

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PTA Dates to Remember

Aug 12

Back to School

Sept 03-18

Charleston Wrap Fundraiser

Sept 12

PTA Meeting | Time and Location - TBA

Oct 21 - Nov 06

Coca-Cola Fundraiser (Delivery on 11/20)

Oct 28

Fall Festival

Dec 10

Cookies and Milk with Santa

May 5-9

Teacher Appreciation Week



[Click here for the google form!](#)



IT'S TIME TO JOIN BLAZER BOOSTERS!



Booster Club will be
selling t-shirts and
sweatshirts too!

Membership Options:

- Basic Blazer Booster Membership: \$20
- Family Membership: \$200
 - Includes an all-sports pass for parents and children living in the same household
- Individual Membership: \$100
 - Includes an all-sports pass for one individual
- Corporate Sponsorship: \$500
 - Includes all-sports passes for one family and sponsor recognition at home sporting events

*Corporate Sponsors please email the Blazer Booster Club for more information!



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Updated Information for 2023-2024:

Individual & Family Memberships may be purchased via GoFan.

All-Sports Passes provide admission into all regular season home athletic events.

Contact us at
ucsboosters@universitycharterschool.org



Help **Child Find** Locate Children with Disabilities

What Is **Child Find**?

Child Find is a statewide effort by the Alabama State Department of Education and the Department of Rehabilitation Services to locate, identify, and evaluate children with disabilities from birth to age 21.

How Does **Child Find** Work?

Early Intervention and Special Education Services work closely with community service agencies, parents, and local school systems to locate children with disabilities. A toll-free number is provided for parents or other persons interested in information about referring a child from birth to age 21.

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- ☐ Deaf-Blindness
- ☐ Intellectual Disability
- ☐ Multiple Disabilities
- ☐ Orthopedic Impairment
- ☐ Other Health Impairment
- ☐ Emotional Disability
- ☐ Speech and Language Impairment
- ☐ Visual Impairment
- ☐ Specific Learning Disabilities
- ☐ Autism
- ☐ Traumatic Brain Injury
- ☐ Developmental Delay

For more information about **Child Find**, contact your local school system, local coordinating council, or call

(205) 652-3848

Ages 3-21

1-800-543-3098
Birth through 2



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