

## NOTICE OF CHILD FIND ACTIVITY

**The school district must locate, identify and evaluate ALL resident children with disabilities (including children with disabilities who attend private schools, regardless of the severity of the disability).**

It is the responsibility of the Almond-Bancroft School District to identify any child who is a resident of Almond-Bancroft, who may have a disability, regardless of the severity of the disability. The school district has a screening program to locate and screen all children with suspected disabilities who are residents of the district and who have not graduated from high school. Annually the district conducts developmental screening of preschool children through the use of developmental questionnaires. The information is used to provide the parent with a profile of their child's current development and to provide suggestions for follow-up activities. The information from screening is also used to determine whether a child should be evaluated for a suspected disability. When school staff reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability, they refer the child for evaluation by a school district Individualized Education Program (IEP) team. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made. The referral must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. Others who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child to the school district in which the child resides. To request further information or to request a referral, contact Hallie Ritchay at (715) 366-2941 ext. 415.

If you're concerned about the way your baby or toddler is developing, Portage County offers a free screening for children from the age of 3 months through 2 ½ years. For more information, contact **Birth to Three Services** at (715) 345-5350, option 5 or email [birthtothree@co.portage.wi.us](mailto:birthtothree@co.portage.wi.us).