

How to Get Involved

If you suspect your child may have a disability, contact us for a free evaluation. We also welcome community members as well as educators from private schools to learn more about our programs and how they can support children with disabilities.

Signs a Child May Need Support

- ✓ Speech or language delays
- ✓ Difficulty with learning or memory
- ✓ Behavioral or social difficulties
- ✓ Visual Impairment and/or Deaf and Hard of Hearing



How to Make a Referral

Contact the DeKalb County Special Education Department

 409B Main St E
Rainsville, AL 35986

 (256) 638-4131

Additional Resources

Alabama State Department of Education
Special Education Services
www.alabamaachievers.org/special-education/

DeKalb County Schools Special
Education Department
<https://www.dekalbk12.org/departments/special-education/gifted-and-talented>



DeKalb County Child Find

Discover How We Support
Your Child's Success



DEKALB COUNTY
SCHOOLS

All services are provided at no cost to families. We are committed to serving all children, regardless of their background or abilities.



Services Available

● Special Education

Beginning at age 3, special education services offer tailored support and resources to students with disabilities, aiming to ensure they achieve academic and social success through individualized programs and accommodations.

● Speech Therapy

Starting at age 3, speech services provide professional support to help individuals with speech and language disorders enhance their communication skills.

● Counseling

Counseling services are professional support provided by trained counselors to help individuals address emotional, psychological, and behavioral challenges.



What is Child Find?

Child Find is a program designed to identify and evaluate children with disabilities, from birth to 21 years of age, who may need special education and related services.

● Early Intervention

Early intervention services are specialized programs for children from birth to age three with developmental delays or disabilities. They aim to enhance development and reduce the impact of disabilities through tailored therapies and support services.

For information regarding early Intervention visit:

Alabama Early Intervention System (for birth to 3 years old)

<https://rehab.alabama.gov/nevertotooearly/>

● Pre Employment Services

A Pre-Employment Specialist within the school system helps students in grades 9-12 with disabilities prepare for life after high school by providing career exploration, job readiness training, self-advocacy skills, and work-based learning experiences. They collaborate with educators and vocational agencies to ensure students have the support needed for employment or further education.

