## Child Find

Federal and state law requires that School Districts must ensure that a free and appropriate public education is available to all children with disabilities residing within the district between the ages of 3-22. The identification, locating and evaluation of students with disabilities within is accomplished in a number of ways.

## Child Find & Identification Procedures

It is PLC's responsibility to inform the general public and all parents within our boundaries of our responsibility to make available special education services for students with disabilities aged 3 through 21 years and how to access those services. In addition we have a responsibility to provide information regarding early intervention services for children from birth through 2 years.

We are responsible for identifying, locating, and evaluating all children with disabilities including children aged 3 through 21 and for referring children from birth through 2 years of age to Arizona Early Intervention Program (AZEIP) for evaluation and appropriate services.

We are also responsible for providing a free and appropriate public education (FAPE) which includes special education and related services to children with disabilities at public expense, under public supervision and direction and without charge to the parents.

## 45-Day Screening

The classroom teacher will complete screening activities within 45 days of enrollment for each kindergarten student and any student enrolling without appropriate records or screening, evaluation, and progress in school; or Parent notification of concerns regarding developmental or educational progress.

The teacher will look at the child's ability in the areas of academics, vision, hearing, adaptive, communication, social/emotional and motor skills. If any concerns are

noted the child may be referred for additional help.

For non-enrolled PLC students, PLC will assist the parent in making a Child Find referral to the family's district of residence, or, to <u>AzEIP</u> (Arizona Early Intervention Program).

All questions regarding AZACS Child Find responsibilities should be directed to:

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