

“Child Find” is a requirement of both federal and state law. It mandates that each school district will locate, identify and evaluate, at no cost to the family, all students, from birth to 21, who are suspected of having a disability. The Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) list and defines thirteen disabilities. They are: autism, deaf-blindness, auditory Impairment, emotional disturbance, mental retardation, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, learning disability, speech impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment and non-categorical early childhood.

Priority Charter Schools (PCS) is committed to providing quality special education services to every child with a disability who resides in our district or who attends a private or home school within our district’s boundaries. PCS offers comprehensive special education services to eligible students ages three through 21 years and to children from birth through 21 years who have a speech, hearing or visual impairment. Children from birth to age three with other disabilities will be referred to appropriate agencies for services. All referrals are considered confidential, and services are provided at no cost.

A free, appropriate, public education with a full continuum of services is available. If your child is determined to be a child with a disability, PCS will assist you in developing appropriate special education services designed to meet your child's educational needs. For more information concerning eligibility criteria and the referral process, contact the Special Programs Department at (254) 206-2013.

Children ages 0-3, are referred to Early Childhood Intervention. Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) is a statewide program within the Texas Health and Human Services Commission for families with children birth up to age 3, with developmental delays, disabilities or certain medical diagnoses that may impact development.

The referral website for Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas and Milam Counties is <https://www.childteam.org>

The referral website for Williamson County is <https://hhs.texas.gov/services/disability/early-childhood-intervention-services>