

After Child Find is contacted, you will be referred to your local school. The Student Assistance Team (SAT) will become involved. A representative from this group will contact you and work with you throughout the process. The Child Find Staff may also work directly with the parent/guardian to access community agencies which may be of service to the child and family.

## PERC

Berkeley County has a Parent Education Resource Center or PERC. The PERC staff is here to help families understand the special education process from Child Find to implementation of an IEP. Please call 304-263-5717 to set up a time to speak with a PERC representative if you have any questions about Child Find or the special education process.

## To Make A Referral

Call ...

**304.264.5055**

Berkeley County Schools  
Special Education Department  
401 South Queen Street  
Martinsburg, West Virginia 25401

# Mission Statement

Berkeley County Schools will provide educational *excellence* for all.



## Core Beliefs

*We believe...*

**A** - We are *accountable* for the learning and achievement of every student.

**I** - In achieving with *integrity*.

**R** - *Respect* for self, others and school creates a safe environment for learning.



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## Who Can Refer a Child to the Project?



Anyone  
may refer  
a child ...

...to the Child Find Project, but the parent or guardian must consent to the evaluation, and if eligible, the first Individualized Education Program (IEP) for their child.

## What Programs or Services are Available?

Berkeley County Schools offers a continuum of programs for students in need of Special Education services. These programs include, but are not only limited to regular classroom placement with cooperative/consultative support, special education resource rooms; specialized or self-contained special education classes; itinerant speech and language services, and home-bound services.

Students who may need these services must meet the eligibility requirements established by the State of West Virginia in at least one of the following areas:

### Eligibility Categories:

- ◇ Autism
- ◇ Blindness and Low Vision
- ◇ Blindness
- ◇ Deafness
- ◇ Developmental Delay
- ◇ Emotional Behavioral Disorder
- ◇ Gifted
- ◇ Hard of Hearing
- ◇ Intellectual Disability
- ◇ Orthopedic Impairment
- ◇ Other Health Impairment
- ◇ Specific Learning Disability
- ◇ Speech/Language Impairment
- ◇ Traumatic Brain Injury

## What is the Child Find Project?

Berkeley County Schools believes that every child has the right to a public education. Some parents of children with special needs may not be aware of the Special Education programs and community agencies ready and willing to serve them. This project meets that need.

Every school-age child is guaranteed by law, a free and appropriate public education (FAPE). In order to assure implementation of this law your school district is conducting an ongoing "child find project."

The objective of the Child Find Project is to identify, evaluate and provide appropriate services for any Berkeley County child, between the ages of 3 and 21.

### Why is there a Child Find Project?

The Child Find Project, a service of Berkeley County Schools, is a program established to help identify the unserved child. After a child has been evaluated and found eligible for services, the Child Find Team works with the parent or guardian to create an appropriate program for the child (IEP).



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