

FLORIDA DIAGNOSTIC AND LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM

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TO: School Newspaper/Parent Newsletter Contact

RE: Parent Awareness/Child Find Services

The Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) is a federal and state funded program located at the North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC) in Palatka, Florida. FDLRS provides support services to school districts' Exceptional Student Education (ESE) programs in Baker, Bradford, Flagler, Putnam, St. Johns, and Union Counties and the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind. These services include a broad spectrum of activities, one of which is Child Find.

FDLRS Child Find provides assistance in the location, identification, evaluation, and initiation of appropriate education or other needed services to all children and youth, birth to 21 years of age who have or are at risk of developing special or unique needs. Primary emphasis is on children birth to 5 years of age. Kindergarten to 21 year olds who are not being served in a public school are also included in the target population. Public awareness of these activities is a priority of FDLRS and we would like to request your assistance once again with this endeavor.

Enclosed is an information flyer on our program. We hope that you will help us to make parents and families aware of this service by including this flyer in your newsletter. Feel free to make copies as needed for dissemination to parents or other associates. We have received very favorable responses from parents of preschoolers as a result of these flyers being placed in school and community newsletters and on bulletin boards. We thank you for your continued cooperation and assistance in serving the needs of families in our districts.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Fields at (386) 329-3811 OR 1-800-227-6036.

We Want to Find Some Very Special Children!

Do you have any concerns about your child's:

- Speaking
- Understanding
- Moving or Playing
- Seeing or Hearing
- Getting Along with Other Children
- Learning and Paying Attention
- Self-help Skills including:
 Feeding, Dressing or Toileting

FDLRS/NEFEC CHILD FIND PROVIDES:

- Information about community programs for children with special needs
- Professional consultation for parents
- Screening in the areas of communication, motor development, vision, hearing, and preschool readiness skills
- Assistance in connecting children with special or unique needs to appropriate early intervention or exceptional student education services

If you have questions or concerns about a child birth - 5 years of age, contact:

FDLRS/NEFEC CHILD FIND

(386) 329-3811 or Toll Free 1-800-227-6036

Email: ChildFind@nefec.org
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