What is Child Find?

To schedule a screening or for further information, please call:



Child Find Screenings

Child Find is an effort to locate and identify children with developmental delays who may qualify for special education services.

The Sheboygan Area School District operates a monthly Child Find screening for children who are 3-years-old.

If you would like to have your child's development screened, arrangements can be made during one of these monthly sessions.

Early Learning Center (920) 459 - 4330 1227 Wilson Ave Sheboygan, WI 53081



Developmental Screenings for 3-year-olds

When to Screen at age 3:

Child Find can be the first step in referring a child into an appropriate special education program. The Sheboygan Area School District operates special education programs for children and students ages 3 to 21. Helping children with developmental delays as early as possible often results in children becoming productive, responsible citizens.

The Child Find service is provided at no charge to the parent, and all information gathered is confidential. Below are some signs that may be cause for concern. (Please remember one sign alone may not mean there is a problem.)

The Child's Speech

- Can be understood only by those who are used to the child's speech habits.
- Has a vocabulary of less than 50 words.
- Communicates mainly with gestures, single words, or pointing.
- Able to understand them less than 50% of the time.

The Child's Thinking

- Difficulty following or understanding 1 and 2 step directions.
- Prefers to play by self rather than with other children.
- Unable to provide their name, gender, or age when asked.
- Doesn't engage in pretend play with dolls, animals, or people.

The Child's Fine Motor

- Unable to build a tower of 10 non-interlocking blocks.
- Difficulty imitating or drawing a vertical or horizontal line and circle.
- Not able to use fingers to pick up and manipulate small objects (fruit snacks, coins, buttons, etc.)
- Cannot open/close marker caps and containers.
- Unable to drink from an open faced cup.

The Child's Gross Motor

- Cannot walk up or downstairs or run without falling.
- Cannot stand on one foot and balance without assistance.
- Unable to jump using 2 feet.
- Difficulty navigating playground equipment without assistance.

The Child's Hearing

- Has had frequent ear infections.
- Talks very loudly, shouts during normal conversation.
- Has a speech problem or talks very softly.
- Does not respond when called from another room.
- Complains that one or both ears ache or liquid runs from ears.
- Has frequent colds or breathes through the mouth.

The Child's Sight

- Crosses one or both eyes.
- Eyelids are often red, watery, puffy, and encrusted.
- Often rubs eyes, as though they itch or hurt.
- Often complains that eyes hurt.

Spanish & Hmong Interpreter Available Upon Request

