

SEARCH FOR CHILDREN WITH HANDICAPS

The Southwest Local School District seeks to identify, locate, and evaluate all children with handicaps birth through age 21 based upon I.D.E.A. (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) eligibility. This includes children attending private or parochial schools whose parents reside within our district.

Conditions such as multi-handicapped, hearing handicapped, visually handicapped, orthopedically and/or health handicapped, severe behavior handicapped, developmentally handicapped, specific learning disabled, autistic and speech and language handicapped would be included.

Additionally, it is the intent of the district to ensure that students who are handicapped within the definition of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are evaluated, identified and served. Section 504 disabilities are mental or physical impairments or a history of such impairments that "substantially limit one or more major life activities."

If you know of a child with a suspected handicap, please contact Ms. Laura Meyers, Pupil Personnel Director/504 Coordinator at The Special Education Services Office at Harrison High School, 9860 West Rd., Harrison, Ohio 45030, 513-367-4169.

In accordance with the Ohio State Plan for The Education of Ohio's Homeless Children and Youth and the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (P.L. 100-77), as amended in 1990, homeless school-age children shall have access to a free, appropriate public education which would be provided to the children of a resident of Ohio, consistent with Ohio's school attendance laws. If you are aware of or suspect that a homeless child is eligible for placement under this policy please contact Ms. Laura Meyers at 513-367-4169.

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