DIBBLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CHILD FIND PROGRAM

2017-2018 School Year

Identifying, Locating, and Evaluating

Children with Disabilities

Child Find is a public awareness activity to identify, locate and evaluate children ages 3 through high school graduation with a diploma, or through 21years of age if necessary, who may have disabilities defined under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) of 2004. A child with a disability means a child evaluated and determined eligible for special education and related services in accordance with the Policies and Procedures of Special Education in Oklahoma under the following categories:

Autism Multiple Disabilities

Deaf-Blindness Orthopedic Impairment

Hearing Impairment Including Deafness Other Health Impairments

Developmental Delay Specific Learning Disability

Emotional Disturbance Speech or Language Impairment

Intellectual Disabilities Traumatic Brain Injury

Visual Impairment Including Blindness

Dibble Public School District is responsible for locating, evaluating and identifying children with disabilities who live within the district boundaries. All eligible children with disabilities beginning at age 3, who are residents of the Dibble Public School District, have a right to a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) as mandated by the IDEA. The specific special education and related services for children are determined per child by the Individualized Education Program (IEP) team.

For children 3 to 5 years and school age, who are residents of the Dibble Public School District, or attending a private School in the Dibble area, whose parents need information regarding an evaluation to determine eligibility for service, please contact:

Dibble Public Schools Special Services Office

100 Main Street

Dibble, OK 73031

405-344-6380 ext.124

A multidisciplinary team of professionals will be involved in the evaluation process. The eligibility team will determine the severity of the disability, and for school age children, if the disability adversely affects the child’s educational performance.

Services for infants and toddlers (ages 0-3) who are suspected of having disabilities are provided through the Sooner Start Early Intervention Program. If you suspect your infant or toddler has a disability, contact the Oklahoma County Sooner Start Program at 405-271-9477.