In accordance with the Individual’s with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) of 2004, the Cardinal Local School District is participating in Child Find efforts to locate, evaluate and identify all children with disabilities, from birth through 21 years of age, who may be entitled to receive special education and related aides and services, regardless of their situations.

A disability, in this instance, means such conditions as autism, deaf/blindness, multiple disabilities, deafness/hearing impairment, orthopedic impairment, visual impairment/blindness, specific learning disabilities, emotional disturbance, cognitive disabilities, speech and language impairments, other health impairments or traumatic brain injury.

Although many school aged children with disabilities are identified and currently being served by the Cardinal Local School District, preschool children ages 3-5 with disabilities may not yet be identified because parents may not be aware that programs and services are available through the public school.

In addition and in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the American’s with Disabilities Act Amendment of 2008, the Cardinal Local School District is participating in Child Find efforts to locate, evaluate and identify all students with a disability. In this instance, a student with a disability is a student who has a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits a major life activity and who may, because of the disability, need special education, related services or aids or accommodation/modifications.

If you know of a child in our district with a disability that is not presently attending school or receiving services, please contact Dr. Jennifer Sabol, Pupil Services Director at 440-632-0261 x1008.