

CHILD FIND

It is the policy of the Harmony Science Academy Charter School to locate and identify any child who contacts or enrolls in the Charter School who may have a disability and be in need of special education and related services, regardless of the severity of the disability, in accordance with its procedures as reflected in the CHILD FIND legal framework of the Legal Framework for the Child-Centered Special Education Process, located at: <http://framework.esc18.net/>.

Referral of students for a full and individual initial evaluation for possible special education services shall be a part of the district's overall, general education referral or screening system. Prior to referral, students experiencing difficulty in the general classroom should be considered for all support services available to all students, such as tutorial, remedial, compensatory, and other services. If the student continues to experience difficulty in the general classroom after the provision of interventions, district personnel must refer the student for a full and individual initial evaluation. This referral for a full and individual initial evaluation may be initiated by school personnel, the student's parents or legal guardian, or another person involved in the education or care of the student. (19 T.A.C. §89.1011).

The Harmony Science Academy Charter School will collaborate with the _____ Regional Education Service Center (ESC), the local Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) program, and the following agencies in its Child Find efforts:

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

(in the Child Find Process)

To indicate the extent of participation insert an X in the appropriate box(es) below

	Makes Referrals	Accepts Referrals	Conducts Evaluations/Makes Diagnosis	Provides Services
College and University Clinics				
• University Hospital Child Evaluation Center				
• Speech and Hearing Clinics				
• Child Evaluation Clinics; Rehabilitation Centers				
Private Care Providers				
• Physicians			X	
• Audiologists			X	
• Speech and Hearing Clinics			X	
• Optometrists			X	
• Psychiatrists/Psychologists			X	
• Child Care Centers			X	
• Other:				
State Agencies/Programs				
• Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS)	X	X		
• Department of Health and Human Services	X	X		
• Youth Correctional Centers/Juvenile Detention Centers				
• Mental Health and Mental Retardation (MHMR) Centers	X			X
• Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TSBVI)	X			X
• Texas School for the Deaf (TSD)	X			
• Public Child Care Centers	X			X
• Other:				
Federal Programs				
• Head Start Programs	X			X
• Title I	X			
• Other:				