

PRESS RELEASE

Payson CUSD #1 Announces Child Find Efforts

Payson CUSD #1 offer[s] comprehensive special education services(I.D.E.A.), Section 504 Accommodations(A.D.A., 2003), and responds to students experiencing difficulty (Response to Intervention) for eligible students ages three through 21 years. Children from birth to age three with suspected disabilities may be referred to appropriate agencies for early intervention services. All referrals are considered confidential, and services are provided at no cost. The parent, legal guardian, or surrogate parent retains the right to refuse services and are provided other procedural safeguards under federal and state law.

Public school services include screening in areas of suspected disabilities, such as vision, hearing, motor skills, speech, language, and general development. Evaluations in the schools are provided for several areas of suspected disabilities, including but not limited to learning disabilities, speech and language development, physical impairments, vision or hearing difficulty, intellectual impairment, emotional disabilities, autism, developmental delays, health impairments, or traumatic brain injuries.

A free, appropriate, public education with a full continuum of services is available. For more information concerning eligibility criteria and referral procedures, or if you suspect your son/daughter is experiencing difficulty within school, please contact the principal or counselor of your local school or call Karrie Wolf, Special Education Coordinator, at 217-656-3323.