

**Hancock County School District
Office of Special Education
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Child Find

(searching for children with special needs)

The Hancock County School District seeks (through Child find efforts) to locate, evaluate, and identify children who are 3-21 years of age and may have a disability. They may be physically, mentally, or emotionally disabled and in need of help.

These children are eligible to receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE). This is available to all disabled children.

The Hancock County School District provides services for the following disabilities: speech and language, autism, traumatic brain injury, learning disabilities, mental retardation, visual and hearing impairments, developmental delays, orthopedic impairments, and emotional disabilities.

The Child Find Coordinator (and Special Education Director) is Kelly Schwartz. Mrs. Schwartz can be reached via phone at 228-466-6340 or via email @ kschwartz@hancockschools.net. Anyone who suspects a child has a disability can contact either Mrs. Schwartz or Mrs. Sherree Shaw (sshaw2@hancockschools.net). A written request can also be sent to the principal of each school. This will be forwarded to the Office of Special Education and a meeting will be scheduled.

SITE PRINCIPALS

East Hancock Elementary: Dr. Stacey Lee	228-255-6637
Hancock High School: Mrs. Tara Ladner	228-467-2251
Hancock Middle School: Dr. Jessica Taylor	228-467-1889
Hancock North Central Elementary: Mrs. Chrissy Cuevas	228-255-7641
South Hancock Elementary: Mrs. Rose Jenkins	228-467-4655
West Hancock Elementary: Mrs. Katie Warren	228-586-6054