



Child Find Screening

What is a preschool Child Find screening?

A preschool Child Find screening is a developmental screening for children ages 3 to 5 to assist in identifying children with potential developmental delay(s) or other special education needs.

Why screen and evaluate preschool children?

When learning challenges are identified at a young age, early intervention can help the child avoid serious learning problems when they reach school age.

Personal-Social Development

1. Has great difficulties in Preschool/CDC/Day Care
2. Doesn't listen to adults
3. Has great difficulty playing with peers
4. Tantrums frequently in public
5. Has great difficulty separating from parents

Communication

1. Is difficult for most people to understand
2. Doesn't seem to understand directions
3. Language sounds much different than other children his/her age
4. Adults wonder if the child is hearing them

Learning

1. Doesn't seem to remember what was learned from one day to the next
2. Doesn't seem interested in learning
3. Doesn't want to participate in activities that involve learning and exploring

Motor Skills

1. Seems to fall often/is very clumsy
2. Has great difficulty holding utensils, writing tools or coloring tools
3. Doesn't seem to have strength when coloring/drawing

Self-Help

1. Is not potty trained and all others of the same age seem to be potty trained
2. Is unable to put on even simple clothing items without assistance

*Do any of these concerns sound familiar?
DoDDS supports children with special needs.*

Contact Lajes Elementary School at 535-4151/295-57-4151 to request an appointment!

Child Find is an ongoing process used by DoDDS and the military departments to seek and identify individuals (from birth to age 21, inclusive) who are eligible to receive special education and related services.