Every child can be and wants to be successful. It is the job of the adults in each child's life to help the child learn the necessary skills that lead to success both in and outside of K-12 education.

Private school students: In collaboration with parents, private school staff contacts the PHPT to initiate the process.

Homeschooled students: Families contact the PHPT to initiate the process.

The Child Find technician will support each family to navigate the Jeffco enrollment process.

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JEFFCO PRIVATE & HOMESCHOOL PARTNERSHIP TEAM

Responsible for identifying school age students with an educational disability based on IDEA criteria in private and home school settings

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The Private and Homeschool Partnership Team (Jeffco Child Find team) is responsible for identifying a child (ages 5-21) participating in either a private, or homeschool, educational setting within Jefferson County who might have an educational disability. The Child Find process begins when staff at the child's private school, or the homeschooling family, contact the Jeffco Child Find team (PHPT). PHPT staff, the family, and when appropriate, private school staff, will collaborate to gather a body of evidence in order to gain an understanding of the child's educational strengths and needs.

*All steps in this process only occur with family consent/participation.

PHPT staff, the family, and when appropriate, private school staff, will review the body of evidence in order to determine if an educational disability is suspected. When a disability is suspected, further assessments may be proposed and completed (family consent is required). The results of the individual assessments combined with the original body of evidence will assist the team with determining if an educational disability exists based on the criteria defined in current IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) regulations. http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdesped/sd-main



Home schooling:

For a child who is being taught at home by family or tutor (e.g. being educated without being enrolled in a typical school setting), the Private and Homeschool Partnership Team may, with the family's permission, conduct assessments to identify an educational disability when the body of evidence suggests that an educational disability may exist. The team will review the assessment results with the family, determine eligibility and share potential suggestions that may be used to support the child moving forward.

Private/Parochial schools:

A child enrolled in a private/ parochial school in Jefferson County who has been identified with an educational disability may be supported via an Individual Service Plan (ISP). Services defined with the ISP may include consultation between the PHPT and private school staff*. An ISP can also be offered to students who were eligible for an IEP when they were enrolled in a public school. For any qualified student, an ISP may be provided only if the student's family agrees to this option. *Support options to be reviewed annually based on input from private school staff.

Public school:

If a child with an educational disability is enrolled in a public school, then a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) is able to be accessed. Direct specialized support is provided in a public school setting as defined by an Individual Education Plan (IEP) for children who meet IDEA eligibility criteria.

For additional information, please refer to: http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdesped