

## How are Special Education services obtained?

Students thought to have a disability are brought to the attention of the local school district, either through the school the student attends or directly through the Special Education department. Referral may come from parents, school personnel, physicians, or other persons and agencies who have contact with the student.

Once a referral is made, the district develops an evaluation plan to determine if the student is disabled and, if so, the nature and severity of the disability. (Written permission is necessary before the evaluation can begin).



For more information about county or special education services in general, call the Special Education at Lane Education Service District, 541-461-8308.

Do you know a child in Lane County who needs Special Education services and who is not receiving help?



## *Child Find*

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## What is Special Education?

*It is educational instruction specially designed to meet the unique needs of the disabled student. It is provided at no cost to parents or guardians.*

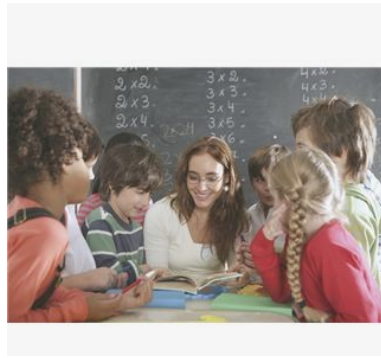
Special Education may include placement in a special classroom, instruction in a resource room, specially adapted physical education, or any related service that is necessary for the student to benefit from education services.



Related services may include transportation, speech and language therapy, audiology (hearing), psychological services, physical therapy, and occupational therapy.

## Who qualifies for Special Education?

*To qualify for Special Education services, a student must be individually evaluated by a team of professionals and found eligible. As a result of this assessment, a student may be found to have mental retardation, hearing impairments including deafness, speech and/or language impairments, visual impairments including blindness, emotional disturbance, orthopedic impairments, autism,*



*traumatic brain injury, other health impairments or specific learning disabilities.*

All children with disabilities residing in the state, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities, and who are in need of special education and related services are identified, located, and evaluated and a practical method is developed to determine which children with disabilities are currently receiving needed special education and related services.

## What happens if a student is eligible for Special Education?

*If a student does have a disability and is in need of Special Education, an Individualized Family Service Program (IFSP) Individualized Education Program (IEP) for the student is prepared. The IEP is developed by a team including parents, professionals, and when appropriate, the student.*

At least once a year the student's IEP or IFSP is reviewed and revised with parent participation. Placement of the student is also reviewed when the IEP is revised.

Placement decisions are made on an individual basis, with the most important consideration being the educational benefit of the student.

## How do I find out about the services available to children with disabilities in my district?

**Call the Special Education administrator in your local school district:**

Bethel #52	541-689-3280
Blachly #90	541-925-3262
Creswell #40	541-895-6005
Crow-Applegate-Lorane #66	541-935-2896
Eugene #4J	541-790-7800
Fern Ridge #28J	541-935-2896
Junction City #69	541-935-8371
Lowell #71	541-937-2105
Mapleton #32	541-268-4322
Marcola #79J	541-933-2411
McKenzie #68	541-822-3315
Oakridge #76	541-782-3282
Pleasant Hill #1	541-747-2917
Siuslaw #97J	541-997-2514
South Lane #45J	541-942-3381
Springfield #19	541-726-3250



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