

## Solano County Special Education Local Plan Area

Benicia Unified School District Dixon Unified School District Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District Travis Unified School District Vacaville Unified School District Solano County Office of Education

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Community Medical Providers

Preschool and Day Care Providers

**Private Schools** 

**FROM:** Andrew M. Ownby, Assistant Superintendent

Solano County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)

**DATE:** August 1, 2023

SUBJECT: Child Find 2023-24

The Solano County SELPA coordinates with school districts and the Solano County Office of Education to provide programs and services to individuals with special needs in the communities of our member school districts, including Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield-Suisun, Travis, and Vacaville.

As part of our service to these communities, the Solano County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) has a continuing Child Find procedure in place to locate all children with disabilities residing within our geographic area, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disability, and who are in need of special education and related services. This effort also includes highly mobile children with disabilities (such as migrant and homeless children) and children who are suspected of being a child with a disability and in need of special education, even though they are advancing from grade to grade. This procedure aims to enhance public understanding of exceptional children and youth with special needs, identify and locate the children and youth, and inform the public of available services.

To make Child Find a success, local education agencies (LEAs) must work cooperatively with the medical community and agencies providing services to children, including health departments, social service agencies, local management entities for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, and Children's Developmental Service Agencies. Other community programs should also be involved, such as area services for the blind and deaf, child care programs, developmental day centers, Head Start programs, and private/parochial schools.

To assist you in these local Child Find efforts, we have developed the enclosed flyer, which may be provided to parents and community members to assist them in accessing the Child Find procedures in their local school district.

To update your agency's contact information, request additional flyers, or add a new agency to receive our Child Find outreach materials, please visit our Child Find page at <a href="https://goo.gl/GgZxdh">https://goo.gl/GgZxdh</a>.

If you have questions about Child Find, please contact Monica Hurtado or Andrew Ownby at (707) 399-4460.

Enclosures