

## SAU #13 Child Find

It is the responsibility of the **Freedom, Madison, and Tamworth School Districts** to identify any child who is a resident of those communities and who may have a disability, regardless of the severity of the disability, and to evaluate those students to determine if they are eligible for special education and related services under IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act).

The **Freedom, Madison, and Tamworth School Districts** are committed to identifying children before their third birthday in order to provide early intervention services for three and four year-olds. If you have questions or concerns regarding a child's development and would like to have him/her screened, please call Linda Carey at SAU #13 for an appointment at (603) 323-5088 for an appointment. Screenings are held periodically throughout the year.

If you suspect that a child or adolescent, at any age, may need an evaluation to determine eligibility for special education services, you may make a referral and meet with a qualified district special education team to discuss your concerns and plan the next steps, which may include a comprehensive, multidisciplinary evaluation. Please contact Raina Chick, Director of Student Services, at (603) 323-5088.

If you would like more information about the special education process, please read the New Hampshire Special Education Procedural Safeguards Handbook (October 2014) and/or the SAU #13 "Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual." These are available on the SAU #13 website.