

Early Intervention for 0-3

Colorado's Early Intervention program provides supports and services to children with developmental delays or disabilities and their families from birth until the child's third birthday. Early Intervention Colorado can help families learn ways to support and promote their child's development within their everyday routines and activities.

Child Find for 0-3

Anyone can make a referral to Child Find. Families may participate in screening, checklists, and evaluation to determine if a child is eligible. There is NO COST to families.

Child Find for Children Ages 3 Through 5 Years Old

Child Find for children ages 3 through 5 years old is part of the public school system in Colorado to identify children suspected of having a delay in development as early as possible. If a young child is not meeting typical developmental milestones, or someone is concerned about the child's growth or learning, a referral can be made to Child Find. Starting at age three, school districts and/or Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) are responsible for the Child Find process and will work with families about their concerns, with a focus on meeting the child's educational needs. Steps may include collecting information from families and from previous developmental screenings, conducting a screening, and/or completing an evaluation. The purpose is to determine if there is an educational disability that requires special education and related services for the child to make progress in preschool. Child Find is provided at no cost to families.

Referrals:

Birth to Three years old:
Contact Early Intervention
Colorado @ 833-733-3734

3-5 years old: Contact Kelly
Horning, ECSE @ The Center
719-486-6920 or 719-486-6895
khorning@lakecountyschools.net



Lake County Child Find



Developmental Milestones:

6 Months:

- Knows familiar people
- Takes turns making sounds with you
- Puts things in her mouth to explore
- Rolls from tummy to back
- Leans on hands when sitting

12 months:

- Plays games like pat a cake
- Says “mama” and/or “dada”
- Looks for things he sees you hide
- Pulls to stand, walks holding onto furniture
- Picks things up between thumb and pointer finger

2 Years old

- Notices when others are hurt or upset
- Points to pictures in books
- Puts at least two words together
- Begins to pretend with toys like putting toy food on a toy plate
- Runs, walks up stairs

3 years old

- Notices other children and joins them in play
- Talks with you in a conversation
- Draws a circle when you show her how
- Strings beads together



“Early development is fundamental to the growth of your child.” – Anonymous

4 years old

- Pretends to be someone else during play like a teacher or superhero
- Uses 4 or more words in a sentence
- Tells about his day
- Names colors
- Tells what comes next in a familiar story
- Holds crayon with fingers and thumb

5 years old

- Follows rules and takes turns when playing games with other children
- Tells a story she made up with at least two events
- Counts to 10
- Pays attention for 5-10 minutes during activities.
- Writes some letters in her name
- Names some letters in her name
- Hops on one foot

