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To: Parents and Community of New Kent County

FROM: New Kent County Public Schools

RE: **CHILD FIND ANNUAL NOTICE**

Overview: It is the responsibility of New Kent County Public Schools (NKCPS) to identify locate, and evaluate children residing in the county who are birth to age 21, inclusive, to determine if they are eligible for special education or related services under the federal IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) or 8VAC20-81-50 (Virginia Special Education Regulations). These requirements include children who:

- are highly mobile, such as migrant and homeless children;
- are wards of the state;
- attend private schools, including children who are homeschooled;
- are suspected of being children with disabilities in need of special education, even though they are advancing from grade to grade; and
- are under age 18, who are suspected of having a disability who need special education and related services, and who are incarcerated in a regional or local jail in its jurisdiction for 10 or more days.

Early Intervention: Child Find services for infants and toddlers (birth to age two, inclusive) are coordinated with Part C - Local Interagency Coordinating Council.

Public Awareness: Information regarding referrals, special education eligibility and services, and the nature of disabilities are provided on the NKCPS Website. Information is also provided in the parent/student handbook. This information is shared with parents who homeschool their children and made available to parents who enroll their children in private schools.

Contact Information: If your child or another child that you know is suspected of having a disability, please contact the Office of Student Services, 966-8525