

Coastal Leadership Academy

The Charter Institute at Erskine

ANNUAL NOTICE OF CHILD FIND 20-21 School Year

(SPECIAL EDUCATION REFERRAL AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES)

Upon request, The Charter Institute at Erskine is required to evaluate the child for eligibility for special education services. A request for evaluation is known as a referral. When the district receives a referral, the district will appoint an Evaluation Planning team to determine if the child has a disability, and if the child needs special education services. The district locates, identifies, and evaluates all children with disabilities who are enrolled by their parents in schools within the school district.

A school staff member who reasonably believes a child may be a child with a disability has a legal duty to refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child is enrolled. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made.

Others, including parents, who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school or district in which the child is enrolled.

Referrals must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. A referral may be made by contacting either Special Education Coordinators at Coastal Leadership Academy via email, Debra Mexas dmexas@coastalleadership.org or by phone at 843-788-9898 or in writing sent to Department for Exceptional Learners 3710 Palmetto Point Blvd, Myrtle Beach, SC, 29588.

Our Child Find Notice can be found at Coastalleadership.org under about CLA, Policies and compliances.