

## ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

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### CHILD FIND AND FREE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

The Clarksville-Montgomery County School System (CMCSS) shall provide child find and a free appropriate public education (FAPE) procedure as required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the Tennessee Rules of the Board of Education Chapter 0520-01-09-.05.

#### (1) Child Find and FAPE Federal

##### Child Find

- (i) 34 CFR § 300.111 Child Find states that all children with disabilities residing in the State, including children with disabilities who are homeless or wards of the State, and children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disability, and who are in need of special education and related services, are identified, located, and evaluated; and
- (ii) A practical method is developed and implemented to determine which children are currently receiving needed special education and related services.

##### FAPE

- (i) A free appropriate public education will be provided at public expense, under public supervision and direction, and without charge;
- (ii) Meet the standards of the State educational agency (SEA), including the requirements of part B of the Act;
- (iii) Include an appropriate preschool, elementary school, or secondary school education in the State involved; and
- (iv) Are provided in conformity with an individualized education program (IEP) that meets the requirements of 34 CFR 300.320 through 300.324.

#### (2) Child Find and FAPE State

##### Child Find

- (i) TN State Board Rules Chapter 0520-01.09-.05 states Every LEA shall develop and implement child find activities to identify, locate, and evaluate all

children with disabilities, or who are suspected of having a disability, within its jurisdictional boundaries, ages three (3) through twenty-one (21), both inclusive who need special education and related services, even though they are advancing from grade to grade. This includes but is not limited to:

- a. Children who are enrolled by their Parents in a non-public school located within the jurisdictional boundaries of the LEA;
- b. Children who are wards of the state; and
- c. children who are highly mobile (including children who are migrant and children who are homeless).

**FAPE**

- (ii.) A free appropriate public education (FAPE) shall be made available to all children with disabilities, including those children who reach twenty-two (22) years of age during the school year and children who have been suspended or expelled from school for more than ten (10) school days in a school year.

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