

## **SEARCH FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES**

School districts across the state of Ohio are participating in an effort to identify, locate and evaluate all children, birth through 21 years of age, who may have disabilities. For children birth through age two, a disability means a child has a delay in one or more of these developmental areas; adaptive behavior, cognition, communication, physical development, sensory development, or social or emotional development. For children ages 3 through 21, a disability means a person having one or more of these conditions: autism, cognitive disability, deaf-blindness, deafness, developmental delay (preschool only), emotional disturbance, hearing impairment, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, specific learning disability, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury impairment, visual impairment or a combination of such conditions. A referral may be initiated by parent/guardian, relative, community member or agency knowledgeable of the child's needs. Please contact Strongsville City Schools Student Services Department at (440) 572-7045 for more information or assistance about the process of identifying and serving a child who may have a disability.