

## Early Childhood Special Education

### What is Early Childhood Special Education?

- Services for children age 3-5 with a delay or disability
- Your school district will do an evaluation for eligibility
- If eligible, your child will have an Individualized Education Plan, or IEP

### Why is it helpful?

- Early Childhood is one key way to get early support
- Your child may receive therapies through school
- Services are meant to teach the whole child

### What is important to know?

- Services are free
- No insurance needed
- Citizenship or legal residency not required
- Services might happen in your home, daycare, or in your child's school

### How do you connect?

- If connected, Birth to 3 can refer with your permission
- Contact your local school district's special education department directly
- A written request starts the evaluation process and is a legal document
- Anyone can help you with a referral

### Where can you learn more?

- Reach out to your local school district