

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate, and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade. The Boards of Education of the West Plains R-7, Glenwood R-8, Richards R-5, Fairview R-11, Howell Valley R-1, and Junction Hill C-12 School Districts assure that they will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, mental retardation, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/blindness and young child with a developmental delay.

The Boards of Education of the West Plains R-7, Glenwood R-8, Richards R-5, Fairview R-11, Howell Valley R-1, and Junction Hill C-12 School Districts assure that they will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program.

The Boards of Education of the West Plains R-7, Glenwood R-8, Richards R-5, Fairview R-11, Howell Valley R-1, and Junction Hill C-12 School Districts assure that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians. Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if the parent/ guardian believe the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other right of their child. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

The Boards of Education of the West Plains R-7, Glenwood R-8, Richards R-5, Fairview R-11, Howell Valley R-1, and Junction Hill C-12 School Districts have developed a Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency's policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency's assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). This plan may be reviewed in the Superintendent's office at any of the individual school districts during regular school hours.

Local school districts in the State of Missouri are required to conduct an annual census of all children with disabilities or suspected disabilities from birth to age twenty-one (21) that reside in the district. This census must be compiled by December 1 of each year. This information is treated as confidential and must include: name of child; parent/legal guardian's name/address; birth date and age of child; the child's disability; and the services provided to the child. If you have a child with a disability or know of a child with a disability who is not attending the public school, please contact your school district at one of the following locations:

West Plains R-7 School District  
Office of Special Services  
610 E. Olden  
West Plains, MO 65775  
Phone (417) 255-8676 ext. 4576

Glenwood R-8 School District  
10286 SR 17  
West Plains, MO 65775  
Phone (417) 256-4849

Richards R-5 School District  
3461 CR 1710  
West Plains, MO 65775  
Phone (417) 256-5239

Fairview R-11 School District  
4036 SR K  
West Plains, MO 65775  
Phone (417) 256-3868

Howell Valley R-1 School District  
6461 SR ZZ  
West Plains, MO 65775  
Phone (417) 256-2268

Junction Hill C-12 School District  
8004 CR 3010  
West Plains, MO 65775  
Phone (417) 256-4265

This notice will be provided in native languages as appropriate.