## Charter Arts Child Find Program

Child Find refers to activities undertaken by public education agencies to identify, locate, and evaluate children residing in the state, including children who are homeless or attending private schools suspected of having disabilities, regardless of the severity of their disability, and determine the child's need for special education and related services. The purpose is to locate these children so that a free, appropriate, public education (FAPE) can be made available. The types of disabilities that are found to cause a child to need services are autism, blindness, emotional disturbance, hearing impairment, intellectual disabilities, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment due to chronic or acute health problems, specific learning disabilities, speech or language, traumatic brain injury, and visual impairment including blindness; and in the case of a child that is of preschool age, developmental delay. It is the intent of The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts to ensure that students, who are handicapped within the definition of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or Chapter 14 are identified, evaluated, and provided with appropriate educational services. It is the policy of the School Board of Directors to provide a free and appropriate public education to each handicapped student within its jurisdiction, regardless of the nature or severity of the handicap.