WHEN ARE CHILD DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS DONE?

Blaine County Schools offer free Child Developmental Screening clinics throughout the school year at the BCRD Community Campus.

Please call the District Office at 208-578-5004 to schedule an appointment during one of the clinic dates listed below.

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 8:15- noon Wednesday, December 6, 2023 8:15 - noon Thursday, February 29, 2024 8:15 - noon



Appointment Date: _____

Appointment Time: _____



* Blaine County Schools will mail you documents prior to your child's screening. <u>Please complete</u> <u>these forms and bring them to your scheduled ap-</u> <u>pointment.</u> If you do not receive your packet please contact 208-578-5004.



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Child Developmental Screenings



What is a Child Developmental Screening?

A Child Developmental Screening is a process to help identify children who may need further evaluation to determine if there is a need for early intervention or possible special education services.

If a concern exists, the Child Developmental Screening will help determine the next steps that would best meet the needs of the child.

Who can refer a child for a Child Developmental Screening?

Parents, grandparents, doctors, teachers, childcare providers may all refer children for a Screening. In fact, anyone concerned about a child's development may use the referral process.

Is there a cost for a Child Developmental Screening?

No. Child Developmental Screenings are available free of charge for any child residing within the boundaries of Blaine County School District. Screening is the beginning process to determine if further evaluation may be necessary. Most often, the Screening includes a questionnaire for parents to complete regarding their child's levels of development.

Screening may also include observations of various developmental activities such as:

- Communication (expressive and receptive)
- Social-emotional skills
- Adaptive skills (dressing, eating, toileting)
- Gross motor skills (rolling, walking, running)
- Fine motor skills (picking up toys, use of utensils, writing/ coloring)
- Cognitive skills (thinking, problem solving)



Who does the Child Developmental Screening?

Trained Blaine County School District personnel complete the screening.

Are Screenings necessary for all children?

No. However, if there are concerns about typical development, the sooner the needs are discovered, the more effective the service. Early intervention is very important.

What happens after a Child Developmental Screening?

After a Screening, Blaine County School District personnel visit with the parents/guardians about the Screening results. As a team, the next steps are determined. These steps may include:

- Monitoring of the child's development and re-screening at a later date
- Development of early intervention activities
- Further assessment and evaluation to determine if the child meets special education criteria and requires specially designed instruction.