

Early Intervention Referral Policy & Guidelines

Here at The Little Red Schoolhouse we recognize each and every child, and their needs. By having a Primary teacher assigned to each child, we are able to provide higher quality care and attention to each child. In addition, we are better able to observe and screen each child to ensure that the child is reaching his or her full potential. If our qualified staff and administrators believe that more services can be of benefit to a child in order for him/her to get there, we will follow the below protocol.

- As with each child in our care, we will preform an Ages and Stages Questionnaire on the child. We will also send one home for the parents to fill out. This ensures that we are all on the same page. To view this screening or learn more about it, please contact the administration or visit the Front Desk!
- Assuming that the child's scores from that screening fall under the "refer" zone, we will set up a meeting with the parents, the Assistant Director (Early Intervention Liaison), Social Emotional Liaison (SEL) and the Childcare Health Liaison (CHL).
 - o During this meeting we will discuss the specific areas where the 'scoring' of the screening was in the "refer" zone and discuss if the scoring and observations of the possible delays, behavioral issues are agreed upon by all parties.
 - o We will then set up further goals for the child to reach
- Lastly, we will use the County Wide Referral Form, fill that out with the parents and communicate that we will be sending it that in as well as the screening results to the Early Intervention Team for Summit County. You can obtain a copy of this form at the Front Desk.

At Little Red Schoolhouse we provide an inclusive environment for all children and do not believe exclusion of a child in our program is necessary unless extensive intervention methods have been practiced and/or the resources that we can provide here do not meet the needs of the child. This will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Early Intervention Colorado

"Early Intervention Colorado is a federally mandated program, through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (I.D.E.A.). The program serves children birth to three years of age and their families with documented delay in one or more areas of development or a condition associated with delays in their development. In this federal law, the section that guarantees support and services for children under three years of age is called Part C, and is known in Colorado as Early Intervention Colorado for Infants, Toddlers, and Families." - <http://www.co.summit.co.us/258/Children-with-Special-Needs>

