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To: [INSERT Editor Name]
[INSERT Publication Name]

From: [INSERT Contact Name]
[INSERT School District Name]

Re: Child Find Outreach

[INSERT School District Name] is responsible for locating, identifying, and evaluating any children with known or suspected disabilities who reside within the school district's boundaries to determine whether a need for special education and related services exists. I would like your assistance to make the public aware of the services [INSERT School District Name] offers.

Please place the following press release in your publication [INSERT requested date(s) for publication]. As we are required to maintain documentation of our public awareness activities, please notify me with the date(s) the announcement will be published. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [INSERT Contact's Phone Number]. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

PRESS RELEASE

[INSERT REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE(S)]
[INSERT ANNOUNCEMENT TITLE]

[INSERT School District] offers Child Find screening to locate, identify, and evaluate all children who may have a disability. If you know a child who has a disability or one you suspect may have difficulty with learning, communication, vision, hearing, behavior, or motor control and coordination, please contact the special education department at your local public school district or the charter school the student attends.

[INSERT School District] screens children from ages 3 through 21. All child find referrals are considered confidential and services are provided at no cost to the family.

Contact Arkansas First Connections (1-800-643-8258) for assistance with children ages birth to 3 who may have disabilities. First Connections is the Arkansas Early Intervention Program for evaluation and services.

[INSERT: Details about upcoming child find screening event(s), if applicable]

For more information concerning child find screening, contact the principal or counselor of your local school or call [INSERT Contact Name] at [INSERT Contact Phone Number].