## **Does Your Child Need Special Education Services?**



The Los Angeles Unified School District is committed to serving the educational needs of each of its students. Each District school has a process that brings together the parent or guardian, the student, if appropriate, and school personnel to address any problem that interferes with a student's success in school. This team is the Student Support and Progress Team (SSPT). Sometimes, however, students may require special education and related services. An Individualized Education Program (IEP) team determines eligibility for special education after a student has had a formal assessment. Students receive special education services <u>only after all the</u> <u>resources of the general education program have been considered.</u>

The special education process determines whether your child is eligible for special education and related services and if so, what special education and related services are appropriate for your child. There are four basic steps in the special education process:

- STEP 1: Referral for Assessment
- STEP 2: Assessment
- STEP 3: Development and Implementation of an Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- STEP 4: IEP Review

## PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROCESS