**24:05:24:01.  Referral.** Referral includes any written request which brings a student to the attention of a school district administrator (building principal, superintendent, or special education director) as a student who may be in need of special education. A referral made by a parent may be submitted verbally, but it must be documented by a district administrator. Other sources of referrals include the following:

(1)  Referral through screening;

(2)  Referral by classroom teacher;

(3)  Referral by other district personnel;

(4)  Referral by other public or private agencies; and

(5)  Referral by private schools, including religious schools.

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