

HEARSAY is a quarterly newsletter generated by the EARS Program at Arkansas Children's Hospital.

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Message from the Editor

HEARSAY is a newsletter for school professionals in Arkansas who are educating students who are deaf/hard of hearing. Each issue will include information, resources, and tips for working with this unique student population. We'd love to hear from you and address topics you suggest. Please email your questions/suggestions to ears@archildrens.org.

Evaluations, Annual Reviews, End of Year Exams, Oh My! (Que the "Where are you Summer?" Music!)

Here's a list of things to remember when scheduling your year end conferences for students with hearing impairment:

- ◆ Keep folders in compliance. Ask parents for copies of current audiological testing from the child's managing audiologist documenting type/degree of hearing loss as well as documentation of aided testing results (if available).
- ◆ Consider any additional hearing assistive technology the student may need in the next school year (e.g., personal FM/DM devices, computer connectivity devices) to ensure adequate access to auditory information. Defer to the student's managing audiologist for helpful information such as speech-in-noise testing results or accessories the student may already have at home that can be utilized at school.
- ◆ Make adjustments to the student's accommodations/modifications based on their age/grade and specific academic needs in the classroom. <https://tinyurl.com/EARSaccommodationsList>
- ◆ If you feel you are in need of additional technical assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to the EARS team (ears@archildrens.org)!

Cared to Share

We have recently found the following resources helpful and think you might too! Happen upon something too good to keep to yourself? We want to know! Email us at ears@archildrens.org and mention Cared to Share.

- ⇒ **CID Blog**
<https://cid.edu/professionals/professional-development-blog/>
We adore this blog—great information/resources for working with students who are deaf/hh.
- ⇒ **How the Ear Works Video**
<https://tinyurl.com/mssom28>
A fun, five-minute long video teachers can show explaining how the auditory system works. (Elementary age appropriate.)

EARS Videos

Just a reminder that our videos featuring cochlear implants have been added to our YouTube channel. Use the following link (<http://tinyurl.com/EARSVideosPlaylist>) or QR code to access our YouTube channel.

Email us at ears@archildrens.org if you have suggestions for future videos.

