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## **Tennessee Schools for the Deaf - Knoxville Birth-5 Parent Outreach- Memphis/Jackson**

### **Description:**

This position is based in Memphis, Tennessee, or Jackson, Tennessee. An educational consultant for the Parent Outreach program is a professional with experience and a deep understanding of the profound effect of hearing concerns in children birth to five years of age and their families. The Parent Outreach Educational Consultant provides information and works to build capacity with all the stakeholders by supporting children, families, professionals, deaf community members, local education agencies, and statewide organizations directly involved with deaf / hard of hearing children (d/hh/db) and their families.

### **Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's or equivalent degree in the field of deaf education, audiology, speech-language, language/communication specialist, or ASL specialist. (Masters preferred)
- Specialized family focused early intervention training, or emphasis, family systems, grief training, or family counseling.
- SKI\*HI trained and certified (preferred)
- 2 years of professional experience making home visits to families with young children, pre-school- infant toddler programs and early childhood and family focused programs (preferred)
- Professional experience in developing and providing family events, professional development and technical assistance to early childhood professionals, related service providers and the community.
- Strong preference for American Sign Language (ASL) fluency. SLPI score intermediate or above
- Must possess a valid Tennessee driver's license.

**Terms of Employment:** Full time 12-month employee

**Salary:** State of TN Salary Grade 036 - \$4510.00 per month



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### **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Consults and collaborates with community resources, agencies, and the Outreach Team to provide unbiased support / direct services to d/hh/db children and their families via home visits, workshops, parent events, and direct interaction to augment services and expand access to resources. Provide on-going care and training for deaf adults
- Applies diagnostic / prescriptive assessment techniques utilizing a routines-based family interview to informally gather child specific information in order to plan home based / center based services and measure program effectiveness.
- Effectively monitors language skills made by young children in order to adapt or revise services as needed.
- Coordinates, plans, delivers, and follows-up specialized training activities for families, teachers, agencies, and the community to expand unbiased knowledge about birth to five services in the community with a commitment to literacy development for each child and family.
- Partner with pediatric audiologists and Speech Language Therapists (SLP / AVT LSLC) to assess and assist in the use of listening devices and acoustic design recommendations.
- Provides child observations with written reports for the family and child's team that include recommendations that may provide full access to the learning environment.
- Participates in regular team and departmental meetings, school, and instructional meetings as required.

### **Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

- Working knowledge of computers, basic skills with technology, detailed reporting, organizational skills for scheduling, planning work, and work ethics.
- Effective communication/customer service skills with families, professionals, deaf community members via face to face, phone, VP, text, verbal, ASL and written forms of communication.
- Demonstrates knowledge / skill in the areas of task analysis, assessment, progress monitoring, behavior management, organization / planning, curriculum adaptation, current technology practices, parent relations and teamwork.
- Ability to engage effectively with children who are d/hh/db.
- Knowledge of assistive technology, assistive hearing devices, and computer technology related to learners with multiple communication needs.



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- Knowledge and basic skills, or commitment to acquiring, an array of communication opportunities available to individuals identified with hearing concerns: American Sign Language, Listening Spoken Language, Cue Speech, etc.

**Benefits:** Benefits include medical, dental, vision and life insurance, retirement pension, 401(k) match, employee assistance program, personal and sick leave (PTO) and more. A full listing of employee benefits can be found here [Benefits Link](#).

*The applicant selected for this position must complete full background checks including fingerprinting. Background checks will be completed through TBI, FBI, DCS, TN Registry of Sexual Offenders, and TN Registry of Abuse.*