



## Indiana Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education

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### Center Vision

Deaf and hard of hearing children will have the resources and support to reach their full potential.

### Center Mission

To promote positive outcomes for all deaf and hard of hearing children through information, services and education.

### Center Values

- Families as decision makers
- Self-Advocacy
- Unlimited potential
- Collaborative relationships
- Quality services

### Guiding Principles

The Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education will:

1. Provide information regarding all communication opportunities to support parents in making informed decisions based on the child/student's unique needs and the family's priorities and values.
2. Honor the child/student as an integral part in any decision making process.
3. Respect, welcome and support children and their families across geographic locations, communication preferences, languages and cultures.
4. Honor each child's right to acquire optimal language skills and academic abilities.
5. Demonstrate a seamless collaborative model when working with families, schools, other agencies and providers including the deaf, hard of hearing and hearing communities.
6. Provide comprehensive, evidence-based, and objective information, resources, and services for auditory, visual, and instructional best practices to all deaf and hard of hearing children, families, professionals and programs.
7. Provide expert leaders who embrace and practice the tenets of cultural and linguistic diversity.
8. Manage the use of tracking and monitoring systems for individual child/student and program performance to guide state, local and individual services, programs, resources and professional training as a priority of the Center.