

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

Navigating Your Child's Future is a series of workshops designed to ensure that parents of children with a hearing loss receive support and resources to maximize results and outcomes for their children. This one-day workshop is open to all parents and guardians of children with a hearing loss ages birth through 8th grade.

The workshop will be held at the Columbus Marriott Northwest hotel from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm on Saturday, February 21, 2004. The registration fee of \$10 per person includes a continental breakfast, lunch and all materials.

Several agencies, deaf and hard of hearing professionals and parents have joined forces to plan this exciting workshop.

If you are a parent of a child who is deaf or hard of hearing, you should read about the exciting details of *Navigating Your Child's Future*.

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February 21, 2004

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Columbus Marriott

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WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS

Presenters for this workshop include:

- ◆ Dr. Rebecca Kantor - Professor in the College of Education at The Ohio State University
- ◆ Dr. Peter Paul - Director and Professor in the School of Teaching and Learning at The Ohio State University
- ◆ Deborah D. Kopp - Parent and advocate of children who are deaf or hard of hearing and a teacher of American Sign Language
- ◆ A panel of deaf adults, parents and extended family members of children with a hearing loss

Rebecca Kantor, Ed.D:

We tend to focus on "correct grammar" and "well formed speech" with children who face challenges learning to speak and use English. But, being an effective, competent communicator is really about so many complex social and communication skills. A strong foundation in communication is the platform for the grammar and English skills we wish to see children learn. We will focus on our roles as parents and adults in the lives of young language learners.

Peter Paul, Ph.D:

The goal of this workshop is to discuss a few principles of the development of language, literacy, and literate thought in deaf and hard of hearing children and adolescents. Topics will include language and emergent literacy development as it relates to the use of communication modes such as English signing, cued speech, and so on.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact by phone or email:

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AGENDA

8:30 - 9:00	Registration Continental Breakfast
9:00 - 9:30	Opening Remarks <i>Julie Lugo, Ashland, Inc.</i>
9:30 - 11:45	Language Development <i>Rebecca Kantor, Ed.D</i> <i>Deborah D. Kopp, MEd</i>
11:45 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00 - 2:45	Literate Thought and Deafness <i>Peter Paul, Ph.D</i>
2:45	Break
3:00 - 3:45	Panel
3:45 - 4:00	Closing and Evaluation

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The mission of Deaf Initiatives is to strengthen the potential of youth who are deaf or hard of hearing. In support of this mission, Deaf Initiatives offers several programs and opportunities for youth and their families, including *Making a Difference with Your Future* - a biennial transition workshop for high school students and their parents/guardian scheduled for September 24 - 26, 2004 and *On the Road to Your Future* - a biennial bus trip for high school students and their parent/guardian to visit two of the most prominent colleges in the US for the deaf/hard of hearing population, scheduled for Spring 2005.

CRITERIA

Please use the following criteria to decide if you qualify for participation in the workshop.

Age of child with a hearing loss
Birth through 8th grade

Both parents/guardians are encouraged to attend
Children are not permitted to attend the workshop, hotel facilities or meals. No supervision will be provided.

Participation in workshop
Parent(s)/Guardian must attend entire workshop

Completed registration form and fee must
be returned by February 5, 2004.

Contact Deaf Initiatives for an application.