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*Early Childhood Support
Birth-3 program*

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FREE Early Childhood Support Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children



Free Play Group
16 months-36 months
Join us anytime!



Our Program

- **Language rich environment in both English and ASL**
- **Parent support and family resources**
- **Parent ASL class**
- **Teacher of the Deaf services**
- **Educational Audiologist**
- **Educational resources**
- **Additional community resources**

Marie Katzenbach/New Jersey School for the Deaf (MK/NJSD) would like to invite all Deaf and Hard of Hearing children, ages 16 months to 36 months, and their parents to our FREE play group.

This play group is available to you in addition to the traditional early intervention services that you are already receiving from your county provider. The play group is an hour thirty minutes once a week which provides the children with a rich language environment for both English and ASL. Families are welcome and encouraged to attend a 30-minute American Sign Language class. We will play with your child creating a learning environment that is fun and natural. We will read to your child to develop a love of books and reading. This is a great opportunity for your family to experience English/ASL communication. Your child will have an opportunity to socialize and interact with other Deaf and Hard of Hearing children. Not only will your child benefit from the socialization, but your family will benefit from the support and friendships you develop in the playgroup.

Our playgroup is run by a certified Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Our staff can refer to you to the services of the Department of Education Regional Consultant who can assist families and school districts to find the best educational placement option for the child. We also have an educational audiologist on staff that is available for consultations. Other resources that are available to you are: invitations to MKSD community events, resources for the home, and assistive technology. We look forward to meeting you!