

Who we are...

Hands & Voices is a nationwide non-profit organization dedicated to supporting families and their children who are deaf/hard of hearing, as well as the professionals who serve them. We are a parent-driven, parent / professional collaborative group that is unbiased toward communication modes and methods. We believe that what works for your child is what makes the choice right. Our diverse membership includes those who are deaf and hard of hearing and their families who communicate orally, with signs, cue and/or combined methods. We exist to help our children reach their highest potential.

Why we're here...

Hands & Voices does not promote specific communication choice or methodologies. Instead, we embrace the need to improve educational outcomes for our kids, and to embrace their quality of life. We focus on areas of interest that are common to all parents of deaf or hard of hearing children, and includes these values...

- We all want the best for our deaf or hard of hearing kids.
- We deserve respect and honor for our role as parents / families.
- We require a beneficial, successful educational experience for our kids.
- We need information for a wide variety of sources.
- We want to know about opportunities and resources.
- We need training and support to become effective advocates for our kids.
- We are stronger when united by our common interests than divided by different communication choices.

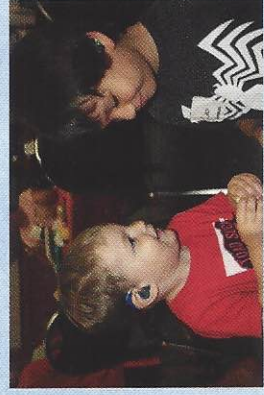
Activities / Information

To help us better serve you, please circle the following activities / information that you would be interested in:

- Educational seminars
- Methodology choices
- Networking and other parents in your area
- Advocacy training
- Lobbying / Legislation
- Transition Early Intervention to Preschool
- Transition Preschool to Kindergarten
- Transition Elementary School to Middle School / Jr High
- Transition Middle School / Jr High to High School
- Transition High School to Secondary School / Work Force
- Deaf Culture
- Hard of Hearing

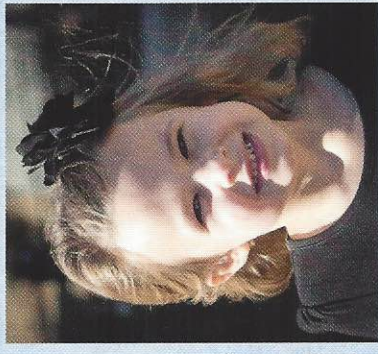
Would you like to volunteer? Let us know what areas are a good fit for you:

- Serve on a committee
- Gather information / resources / notices of upcoming events
- Write articles for the newsletter



AR Membership Form

We invite you to become a member of Arkansas Hands & Voices. Your memberships benefits include The Communicator (the quarterly national newsletter) and reduced fees to attend workshops and events.



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

School District: _____

Children (deaf/HOH & siblings, ages, communication methods): _____

Parent scholarship requested - Yes or No

Circle one: Parent Family Friend
Professional Business

Annual Membership Fee (circle one)

\$25 - parent / family / friend

\$40 - professional

\$50 - business

Make check payable to: AR Hand & Voices
Additional donations (Tax deductible to the extent allowed by law)

AR Hands & Voices is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization.