



25 years of making futures bright

What parents say about PEER :

“I communicate differently with my son now than I did before PEER Group. I am more aware of how to communicate with him to boost his inner confidence. He now informs me if noises are too loud!”

“My child has better listening skills and is more confident with her equipment after seeing other children with the same gear.”

“I learned that my child will be okay in school by talking to the parents and students. The district hearing teacher helped me understand the services at the school level, too.”

“Now we don’t feel alone; I met other parents and Ashley could talk about her hearing with children and adults who understood.”

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for Children

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**A program
designed for deaf and hard of
hearing preschoolers who are
transitioning to Kindergarten
AND, their parents.**

Come join us for PEER Group - or "New Friend School" as the kids call it!

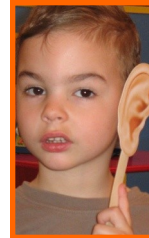
WHY come to PEER?

- You and your child are preparing for Kindergarten!
- Around this time parents are often faced with making tough decisions for their child who has hearing loss
- Deaf and hard of hearing (DHH) children face unique communication challenges in regular settings.
- DHH children may be at risk for developing low self esteem and lack of confidence.
- Your child's formal educational career starts soon which means *your job* as their first & most important teacher & advocate is more important than ever!



PEER Helps Children

- Meet play and learn with other deaf and hard of hearing children who wear hearing aids, CI's, and FM.
- Develop self confidence, positive self esteem and a sense of belonging
- Develop social skills & make new friends
- Meet teen agers and adults who are deaf and hard of hearing
- Learn effective communication strategies in group/social settings
- Use self monitoring and self help strategies to improve communication when listening is challenging
- Learn self-advocacy skills in preparation for Kindergarten



PEER Helps Parents

- Discover & work through some main issues for children who are DHH
- Learn about supports in the school system & how to become an effective advocate for your child
- Understand challenges for students who are DHH through discussions with DHH teens & their classroom hearing resource teachers
- Share concerns, hopes, fears about raising a child who has hearing loss
- Learn & practice language facilitation strategies
- Get opportunities to work on increasing your child's competence & independence with their hearing equipment

