# Deaf and Hard of Hearing (D/HH) Evaluation Services

#### <u>Why</u>

To provide optimum learning opportunities, school teams need information about all aspects of the student's educational needs in order to identify and provide appropriate instruction and supports. The diagnosticians on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Diagnostic Team provide consultation, evaluation, and interpretation of assessment results to help school teams better understand the impact of the hearing loss on the student's academic, cognitive, functional, communicative, and social-emotional development.

### **Focus**

The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Diagnostic Team provides a widerange of assessments for students with hearing losses that include audiological evaluations, psychological evaluations, speechlanguage evaluations, social developmental histories, play-based assessments, as well as the assessment and management of assistive listening devices. The team provides in-service training for school personnel on the impact a hearing loss plays in academic, speech, language, social emotional and cognitive development.

## Who We Are

The Deaf/Hard of Hearing Diagnostic Team consists of licensed audiologists, clinical psychologist and a ALD Technician, as well as highly qualified speech/language pathologists and social worker. All diagnostic team members are trained in communication methodologies to provide in depth evaluations specific to each students communication needs. The team is knowledgeable and experienced in amplification, cochlear implants, and the impact a hearing loss has on language, speech, and academic development.

### Services

- Diagnostic Testing
- Hearing screenings and comprehensive hearing evaluations
- Hearing aid and assistive listening device evaluations
- Coaching and consultation to support students in the learning environment
- Observations of students in the classroom setting
- Consultation and training for students, families, and school personnel on the impact of a hearing loss
- ALD Technician to support assistive listening devices and hearing aids
- Counseling Services
- Sign Language Classes for families

