



Our mission is to provide students who are Deaf and hard of hearing a comprehensive, fully accessible, and language-rich learning environment with equal access to the general education curriculum and standards.



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Davila Day School

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Davila Day School is specifically designed for children with hearing loss that significantly impacts their speech and/or language development and academic skills.

Davila is the **ONLY** school in San Diego County to provide the educational options of either auditory/oral or American Sign Language (ASL) to meet the individual needs of every student on one campus. Davila's specialized academic instruction empowers each student to reach their full potential.



Davila serves children

- In preschool through 6th grade, with the possibility of expanding to 8th grade
- With all degrees of hearing loss, mild to profound
- Primarily from South and East counties

Our small student population means personal attention for students and families (our average enrollment is 45 and average student-to-staff ratio is 4:1).



We provide

- Small class sizes and mainstreaming opportunities for children in preschool, transitional kindergarten, and K-6th grade
- Standards-aligned instruction as well as instruction in pragmatics and etiquette (hearing and Deaf)
- Trained teachers of the D/HH in both auditory/oral and American Sign Language communication methodologies
- Specialized classrooms to support the development of speaking and listening skills
- A fully integrated environment for students with special needs
- 1:1 classroom iPads, SMART board technology, and online resources
- Enrichment opportunities such as field trips, 6th grade camp, and quarterly recognition awards
- On-site educational support from an audiologist
- FM systems as appropriate
- Equipment trouble-shooting when needed
- Real-time digital emergency notification system in classrooms and gathering spaces
- Deaf culture education and experiences
- ASL role models and Deaf staff members



Mainstreaming

Davila Day School is connected to the Vista Square Elementary campus in Chula Vista. All Davila students (preschool-6th grade) are with their hearing peers for recess and/or lunch daily, and K-6th grade students are integrated with their hearing peers for music, physical education, visual and performing arts, and ASL instruction.

Students may also join their hearing peers in general education classrooms for additional academic instruction. Sign language interpreters or classroom assistants accompany students in the general education environment and teachers are provided with FM systems when appropriate.



Family Involvement

Davila Day School staff encourages parents and families to be actively involved in the school and provides multiple opportunities for parent involvement such as:

- ASL and other classes
- Volunteer and observation opportunities
- Video phone in classrooms and front office to communicate with all families directly



Our dedicated, on-site principal is knowledgeable in the educational needs of the Deaf and hard of hearing. The Davila Day School team also includes:

- A language speech and hearing specialist who provides support to all students in small group and classroom therapy sessions
- Educational audiologists who conduct annual hearing testing, provide support for cochlear implants and hearing aids, and coordinate and collaborate with staff members and clinical audiologists

