

History

The Suburban Schools' Program was started as a cooperative arrangement between Millard Public Schools, Papillion-La-Vista Community Schools and Ralston Public Schools to address the needs of school-age students with hearing loss. The program expanded in 2007 to provide services to students birth to 5 years of age. The program has grown to include itinerant teachers of the deaf and hard of hearing to provide services to students in their neighborhood schools. Currently, Suburban Schools' Program provides services to students in fourteen school districts through contracts with their resident district.



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Suburban Schools' Program

For Students
Who are Deaf
and Hard of
Hearing



Mission



It is the mission of the Suburban Schools' Program to provide students who are deaf and hard of hearing access to instruction and social interactions in both academic and nonacademic settings. Access is achieved through highly qualified educators of the deaf and hard of hearing, a speech-language pathologist who can communicate directly with the students, and educational interpreters/transliterators working with students and educational teams to develop appropriate Individualized Education Programs designed to meet each student's unique needs.

Services Available

Center-based Services

Suburban Schools' Program offers center-based services for those students who I.E.P teams have deemed in need of intensive services from a teacher of the deaf and hard of hearing and the opportunity to socialize and have direct communication with other students with hearing loss. The services are provided in the Ralston Public Schools' from preschool through graduation. Students in the center-based sites can also receive speech-language services from a speech-language pathologist specializing in working with students with hearing loss who is able to have direct communication with the students. Educational interpreters are also available to the student.



Itinerant Services

Suburban Schools' Program offers itinerant teachers of the deaf and hard of hearing services to provide consultation and direct service to those students whose I.E.P teams have deemed need of services. These services are available for students from birth to graduation in their neighborhood schools.

Educational Interpreting Services

Suburban Schools' Program offers educational interpreters to provide interpreting services for students whose I.E.P teams have deemed in need of sign language to access instruction and extra-curricular activities. This service is available to maintain the student in their neighborhood school.