

Who Qualifies

- ◆ Any child ages 3-5 who qualifies as Deaf, Hard of Hearing or Blind and Visually Impaired under the guidelines of the Special Education Manual in the State of Idaho.

Criteria

- ◆ A current audiogram must document hearing loss and/or a current diagnosis of disability
- ◆ A current vision report must document an acuity and/or field loss.
- ◆ Student's disability must adversely affect educational performance

Cost

- ◆ IESDB preschool services are free of charge for families of children who qualify.

What to do next

- ◆ Contact your local school district to start the transition process

Information

Parents have access to the IESDB website at:
www.iesdb.org



Preschools in Idaho

Region 4

River Valley Elementary
2900 E River Valley St.
Meridian, ID 83646
Phone: (208) 350-4295
Fax: (208) 350-4304

Region 5

Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind
1450 Main Street
Gooding, Idaho 83330
Phone: (208) 934-4457
Fax: (208) 934 8352

Region 6

Main Street Plaza
427 N. Main Suite H
Pocatello, ID 83204
Phone: (208) 236-6057
Fax: (208) 236-6416

Preschool Services for the Deaf and the Blind



Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and the Blind

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Transition Process

Your child enters the transition process when they are nearing their 3rd birthday. The school district special education team will have an initial meeting with parents.

During this time, the school district will learn about the child, review testing and/or may request further testing and observations.

Then, another meeting will be set to determine if your child qualifies for a specialized preschool program provided by the Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and the Blind (IESDB).



Qualifying

If your child qualifies, your transition/IEP team has the option to select a specialized program that will be provided for your child.

The Deaf and Hard of Hearing programs will focus on the whole child with an emphasis on:

- ◆ Vocabulary/language development
- ◆ Basis Concepts/Kindergarten readiness
- ◆ Listening Activities

The Blind and Visually Impaired programs will focus on the whole child with and emphasis on :

- ◆ Pre-Braille activities
- ◆ Vocabulary/language development
- ◆ Basic concepts/Kindergarten readiness
- ◆ Orientation & Mobility skills

Preschool Options

Regional Programs

- ◆ Region 4: Total Communication and Auditory-Oral
- ◆ Region 5: Total Communication and Blind & Visually Impaired
- ◆ Region 6: Total Communication
- ◆ Region 7: Total Communication



Please contact your regional office to find out more information about the program in your area.