

## ACTIVITES

**\*\* per district approval \*\***

**(After School)** non-competitive

- Kindergarten-21yrs
- Tutoring
- Language Development /Socialization
- Deaf Culture
- Arts & Crafts, Bowling, Horse Back
- Riding, Sabah, Skating, Swimming & more

**(Athletics)** competitive

- 10-14yrs, grade school
- Co-Ed – Soccer, Basketball & Track
- 15-18yrs, varsity
- Boys Soccer/Girls Volleyball, Basketball & Track

## PPS BELIEF STATEMENT

*The Pupil Personnel Services Department focuses on providing the latest medical, audiological, social, developmental and psychological services to enhance our students' abilities to fully access general education curriculum and be successful in the learning environment.*



## KEEP IN MIND

**Tour (everyone is encouraged to tour!)**

- Regardless of age, students and families should tour SMSD, as well as, other programs so they are familiar with all their options in order to make an informed decision regarding enrollment.

**Events (see our calendar @ [www.smsdk12.org](http://www.smsdk12.org) )**

- Deaf Awareness Week
- Homecoming
- 5K/Fun Run Walk
- Open House
- Phys Ed Sports Demonstration
- Drama
- Music Show
- Family Fun Night
- Grandparents Day
- Ethnic Festival
- Board Dinner

## MISSION STATEMENT

*St. Mary's School for the Deaf is committed to providing equitable access to exemplary educational programs that prepare deaf students to be self-directed, lifelong learners, who are productive members of society.*



# Pupil Personnel Services



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## ABOUT PPS

Pupil Personnel Services at St. Mary's School for the Deaf includes, but are not limited to tours, intakes, providing related services and the collaboration between the school districts and the parent/guardians of the children that attend SMSD.

## PROGRAMS @ SMSD

### (0-3yrs) - Including Home Visits

- *Deaf Infant Program (DIP)*  
- Uses Total Communication/Sign
- *EARS Infant Program (EIP)*
- No sign, Uses Listening & Spoken Language

### (3-5yrs) - Full Day Preschool (CPSE)

- *Preschool - Total Communication/Sign*
- *EARS Preschool*— No sign, uses Listening & Spoken Language

### (5-21yrs) (CSE) Regents Diploma Programs

- *Kindergarten* —*Total Communication*
- *EARS Kindergarten* - No sign, uses Listening & Spoken Language
- *Elementary - Total Communication*
- *Middle School* —*Total Communication*
- *High School (up to 21yrs) Total Communication*

### (Vocational Program) (CDOS)

- *Transition Into Independence (TIP)*  
- Career Development & Occupational Studies certification, program (MS/HS)

### (NYS Alternative Assessment) (SACC)

- *Special Needs Achievement Program (Multiply Disabled) - Total Communication*  
- Skills & Achievement Commencement Credential certification program  
- Elementary Level—*Total Communication*  
- Secondary Level—*Total Communication*



## SERVICES @SMSD

- Adapted Physical Education
- Audiology / Hearing Screenings
- New Born Screening/Testing
- (OAE) OtoAcoustic Emissions testing
- (ABR) Auditory Brainstem Response
- BAHA and Hearing Aid troubleshooting
- Cochlear Implant Candidacy/Mapping
- Counseling / Play Therapy
- Ears Nose Throat Consultant (ENT)
- Educational Evaluations
- Mental Health/Case Review Team
- Occupational Therapy (OT)
- Orientation/Mobility
- Parent Educator / Counseling
- Physical Therapy (PT)
- Psychiatric Consultant Services
- Psychologist
- Registered Nurse (Physician Consults)
- Social Workers (SW)
- Speech & Language Pathologists (SLP)
- Transition Coordination
- Vision Services
- Vocational Evaluations

## ADMISSION PROCESS

**(All) - Tours are encouraged!**

Contact the PPS Director at 716-834-7200 x. 169 or Richards@smsdk12.org for a tour.

**(Birth-2) - Please Come Tour**

1. Possible observation may be required in your child's natural setting.
2. During tour parent signs the Tuition Assistant Application and Commissioners Application to be sent to the NYS Education Department with the child's audiogram for their review and approval.
3. SMSD will contact you regarding transportation.

**(3-21 yrs) - Please Come Tour**

1. During tour parent/guardian signs the (PHC 10) Physically Handicapped 10 form to be sent with other necessary documentation (to justify why SMSD should be considered as a placement for the child) to NYS Education Department for their review/approval.
2. Upon NYS Education Department approval SMSD will schedule an intake to complete updated testing (Psychological, Educational, Speech & Language and Audiological assessments) if they have not been completed in the past year. Reports will be sent to your Local Education Agency School District. Possible observation in the child's current placement as well.
3. Reports will be sent to your Local Education Agency School District requesting a Committee on Special Education (CSE/CPSE) meeting where the team (District/Parent/SMSD) all need to agree on placement at SMSD.
4. At CSE/CPSE meeting, (parent, district and SMSD) all need to sign the Commissioners Application to be sent with (IEP, Reports, Meeting Minutes justifying placement at SMSD) for the NYS Education Departments final approval.