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August 2020 E-newsletter

Getting Ready to Welcome our Kiddos Back!



We miss our kids and families so much! But because we, like everyone else, have never planned for starting a school year during a pandemic, we want to make sure we start off right, with safety as our priority. A task force has been working tirelessly to research countless details about social distancing and sanitation and apply this information to the unique conditions at Child's Voice.

Audiology has been seeing clients safely for months, so we know that "normal" life can return to our buildings. Even if things look different for awhile, we will all be seeing each other soon!

Thanks to Jeff Bittner at Alphagraphics who worked with us to create some fun signage for the Wood Dale building.



Words From Dr. Michele

Child's Voice has taken many steps to prepare for the 2020-2021 school year. We are dedicated to ensuring that all instruction is meaningful and purposeful. We are mandated federally to provide the necessary instruction according to each students' IEP goals and objectives.

With all our best-made plans, we still had to delay in-person learning until September 21, 2020.

[Read more here.](#)

Dr. Michele was thrilled to open a package from the Community Mask Project. Like all schools, we know our PPE needs will be tremendous this year for both our Early Intervention and School Program students. Thank you Access DuPage for this much needed, generous donation!

Golf Hear and There for Child's Voice Begins September 9



Golf where you want, when you want, and how you want to benefit children with hearing loss during the Golf Hear and There for Child's Voice Remote Golf Outing from September 9-27, 2020. Register to participate at www.childsvoice.org.

Players and families can do 18 or 9 holes, play mini golf or video golf, go to a driving range or just do some backyard putting – your choice! After playing, donate to Child's Voice and then send a photo of your game to us.

We will share your photos on social media to show all the ways people are teeing up for our kids and families. There will be a silent auction for the duration of the event, and a generous family has even pledged \$100 for every hole-in-one (photo or video evidence needed!)

Join your Child's Voice family virtually to continue supporting children with hearing loss and their families!

Watch for more information as the event gets closer.

Remote Microphone System In Use This Year

As you know, we are taking extra precautions to keep our students and staff members safe and healthy during this time. As part of our safety measures, every student and staff member is required to wear a mask at all times during the school day. While this is a great way to keep everyone safe and healthy, our audiologists have some concerns about how face masks can affect



the volume and clarity of the teacher's voice.

We want our students to have the best access to sound possible. Therefore, we would like to use a Remote Microphone (RM) system with each and every student this school year!. Using a RM system does require extra equipment that will attach to your child's devices, which we will be requesting from their school districts.

[Read more here.](#)

New Podcast Episodes Feature Remote Microphones and Derrick Coleman

We've just released an episode on using Remote Microphone Systems with a California-based audiologist, Lindsay Cockburn, and owner of the website, Listen with Lindsay. You could note that this is perfect timing for this episode since Child's Voice is now going to be using remote microphones with all of our preschool students (see article above)

In September, we'll be releasing an episode with NFL player Derrick Coleman about his experience growing up playing sports and is the first deaf offensive player in the NFL. This episode will be released both as a podcast and a recorded, captioned Zoom call on our YouTube page.

Find podcasts [on our website.](#)

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News For Parents and Families

Tax Benefits of the CARES Act

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) temporarily lifted the adjusted gross income (AGI) limitation for cash gifts made by individuals to certain charitable organizations. Contact your financial planner for more information. [Read more.](#)

Financial Assistance for ComEd Customers in Need

ComEd has many programs available for customers who need help paying their electricity bills. Visit their website to learn about [financial assistance.](#)

Upcoming Child's Voice Events

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

**2020
GOLF
OUTING**

WITH A PORTION OF PROCEEDS
BENEFITTING CHILD'S VOICE

MBBI Golf Outing Supporting Child's Voice

September 1

Click on the image for a downloadable flyer.

**Golf Hear and There for Child's Voice
Remote Golf Outing!**

September 9-27
See info above.
[Register here!](#)



HLAA Virtual Walk for Hearing

October 4, 10 AM

[Register here](#)



Kendra Scott Gives Back

November 6

At the Deer Park and Oakbrook [Kendra Scott](#) stores.

Online shopping will also be available.

20% of event proceeds will benefit Child's Voice

A one-stop shopping event for the jewelry lovers on your holiday list!

Watch for more information about times.

25th Birthday Celebration

February 2021

Watch for more information!



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Be sure you're following our social media sites to see the latest news, photos and fun updates from Child's Voice, including updates on our programs and wonderful photos of our students!



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