



Washington

School for the Deaf

Admissions Process

Thank you for your interest in the Washington School for the Deaf (WSD).

Enrollment at WSD is a two-step process:

1. Application for acceptance into a 45 day diagnostic (Dx) placement;
2. Determination of acceptance for ongoing placement.

Diagnostic Placement

The following steps need to be completed prior to a student's acceptance for the 45-day Dx placement:

- 1) Parent completes "New Student Application" and "Health Information" packet and returns them to WSD.
- 2) Parent and student visit WSD campus.
- 3) WSD Admissions office sends the Release of Information form to the student's current school. Records that must be received by WSD include:
 - Initial eligibility for special education documentation
 - Current evaluation report
 - Current IEP
 - Progress reports (academic / behavior)
 - Transcripts for high school students
 - Immunization / medical records
 - Audiology report
 - Attendance records
 - Behavior reports including detentions, referrals, suspensions, and other documents related to behaviors such as Functional Behavior Assessments or Behavior Intervention Plans
- 4) WSD counseling staff interviews parent: "Needs Assessment Inventory Interview" and "Safety Matrix"
- 6) Admissions team makes a decision about acceptance for the 45 day Dx placement based upon WSD Admissions policy (copy available from the Superintendent's office).

Ongoing Placement

At the conclusion of the 45 day Dx placement, WSD sets up an IEP and placement meeting for the student, family and local school district. At that time the decision is made regarding ongoing enrollment at WSD or return to the local school district. For questions related to the Admissions process, please contact the Superintendent's office at (360) 696 6525 ext. 0401 (V/TTY).

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