

## How to Apply?

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Visit the Washington Career Academy for the Deaf web page at [www.wsd.wa.gov](http://www.wsd.wa.gov) to print an application. Send completed application along with a \$25 non-refundable application/processing fee to WSD- 611 Grand Blvd, Vancouver, Wa 98661. Refundable security deposit of \$100 due upon acceptance to program.

Admission to and termination from the program is determined by the Washington Career Academy for the Deaf coordinating committee.

### Mission

Within a 6 months to 2 year period, Washington Career Academy for the Deaf (WaCAD) provides training to develop responsible, independent adults who are positive contributors to society. WaCAD's goal is to help young deaf adults, ages 18-22, to develop their potential for independent living, responsible and quality work behavior, effective communication, and working as a team member.

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Washington School for the Deaf  
&  
Center for Childhood Deafness and  
Hearing Loss (CDHL)



Giving Deaf & Hard of  
Hearing young adults the keys  
to unlock their potential!



## Who We Are

Washington Career Academy for the Deaf (WaCAD) serves young deaf adults, ages 18 through 22, who have graduated from high school or hold a GED. The program provides training and instruction related to employment readiness skills, work-based experience, independent living skills, and college support. The primary mode of instruction and communication in the program is American Sign Language. Fluency in ASL is required.

WaCAD is not an IEP-related program. Staff resources, including evening and overnight apartment supervision, is limited. Participants in the program must be capable of living independently and require very little in terms of support for independent living skills beyond the group classes offered.

## What is Provided?

The Washington School for the Deaf provides housing, food, staff and some transportation. WaCAD participants are responsible for paying all their own college and vocational/technical school fees and supplies.

*Many doors of opportunity exist in the world, but without the keys to unlock them they remain closed. The Washington Career Academy for the Deaf provides the keys to open the doors of opportunity, Independence, and success for your future.*



Apartment



Common Area



Independent Living



Work Experiences



## Career Skills

- ◆ Filling out applications
- ◆ Writing resumes
- ◆ Conducting job searches
- ◆ Developing job interview skills
- ◆ Communicating with work peers/supervisor
- ◆ Being a team player

## Independent Living Skills

- ◆ On-site apartment living
- ◆ Transportation education
- ◆ Money management
- ◆ Cooking/M meal planning
- ◆ Self-advocacy

## College Support

- ◆ Assist with financial aid and college application
- ◆ Enrolling in classes

## Staff Support

- ◆ Establishing individual success plans
- ◆ Job coaching, training, work site support
- ◆ Interpreting
- ◆ Independent living skills training
- ◆ Role modeling