

## Education Program

### Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Outreach Services are to serve as a resource center providing information, technical assistance, evaluation, counseling, and referral services as well as leadership to: (1) parents of deaf and blind children from birth through age 21; (2) public schools of Montana who have deaf and blind children enrolled; and (3) organizations and individuals concerned with services to deaf and blind children.

Objective 1: Review consumer satisfaction surveys conducted annually to ensure needs are being met effectively

Objective 2: Increase the amount of training accessible to parents, educators and others working with deaf and blind children

Objective 3: Process referrals on newly identified infants/toddlers and ensure that appropriate services are in place within 6 months of identification

Goal 2: Core Educational Program will provide students placed in the campus-based program with a comprehensive curriculum and instruction from preschool to 12th grade that includes vocational education, extracurricular activities, social education, and support services comparable to educational opportunities afforded to non-disabled children.

Objective 1: 100% of MSDB's professional development activities will relate directly to the goals of the 5YCEP and will provide opportunities for educators to participate in training that utilizes research and supports best practices in teaching learning and leadership. Professional development activities will provide relevant strategies and organization supports that facilitate instruction and help all students achieve.

Objective 2: Curriculum & Instruction will address the need for appropriate vocational skills, life skills, and work experience to provide the best opportunity for transition into independent adult living.

Objective 3: Through the use of research based materials and appropriate modifications individual student growth will increase in the area of mathematics.

Objective 4: Through the use of research based materials and appropriate modifications individual student growth will increase in the area of reading.