

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES: FALL 2013

Kennesaw Parks and Recreation Department

Terri Jackson, ASL instructor at KPRD and Deaf, herself, will be teaching both ASL 1 and ASL 2 classes in Kennesaw. Both classes are at Kennesaw Parks and Recreation Authority, and the address is 2753 Watts Drive, Kennesaw, GA 30144.

To register, register online at www.kennesaw-ga.gov/pkrec or call the office at 770-422-9714.

For both classes, students will need to purchase a copy of "A Basic Course in American Sign Language", 2nd edition (ISBN: 0932666426, spiral-bound soft-cover, list price \$32.95). The copies can be found at the cheaper prices on ebay, amazon and half.com. Please do not wait until the last minute to order. Very often I had students coming in without books for several weeks.

ASL 1

10/1/13-11/19/13

8 Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm

Ages 14 & up

Fee: \$55 for Kennesaw residents and \$70 for non-Kennesaw residents

This basic course is designed to interest the student in deafness, its language and culture; and to develop receptive and expressive skills of using fingerspelling, basic signs, facial expressions and body language in American Sign Language (ASL).

ASL II

9/9/13-10/28/13

8 Mondays, 7:00-8:30 pm

Ages: 14 & up

Fee: \$55 for Kennesaw residents and \$70 for non-Kennesaw residents

Prerequisite: Students must have completed ASL 1 or have knowledge of the manual alphabets, numbers, basic signs and basic sentence structures.

Students will build on their basic knowledge of ASL by learning additional vocabulary signs, phrases, sentence structures and more about the Deaf culture; as well as improving receptive skills by signing with others without using voices.

ATLANTA AREA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
2013 Fall Sign Language Classes
Beginning the week of 9/16/13 through the week of 11/18/13

Atlanta Area School for the Deaf (AASD) is proudly offering community sign language classes to AASD and GA PINES parents/grandparents, family members, families with deaf children from the local school systems as well as interested members of the community. The cost is **\$50.00 per person for AASD/GA PINES/local school system families with deaf/hard of hearing children.** The cost is **\$100.00** per person for community members and anyone who is not a family member of a deaf/hard of hearing child. **The registration fee is non-refundable after the first day of the class unless the class is cancelled. Cash, money orders, credit/debit cards are accepted. We are not able to accept checks. Space is limited, therefore early registration is recommended.**
Application Deadline: Friday, September 13, 2013

Please Note: The classes are limited to 15-20 participants, depending on location. Priority for these classes will be given to parents/family members of deaf/hard of hearing children, individuals who work with deaf/hard of hearing children and community members who have an interest in sign language and the Deaf culture. The classes are a resource to help facilitate communication between deaf and hearing family members as well as to assist with raising the academic achievement of the student.

AASD invites parents and family members from mainstream school systems to join the program to facilitate networking among families with deaf/hard of hearing students. Community members are welcomed to learn and participate in the classes to provide support and to help establish accessible resources. Children ages 14 through 16 may attend classes, only when accompanied by an adult. **Due to the limited space no child under the age of 14 will be permitted to attend the class.**

Atlanta Area School for the Deaf will use various methods of instruction such as DVD's and books. No textbook purchase is required for this course. Instruction will focus on visual learning, practice is expected and handouts will be provided as needed. Information will be shared regarding Deaf Culture, the American Disabilities Act, communication resources and various community activities.

Proficiency in signing is based on repetition and use. There are no grades given; however, there will be quizzes, assignments and participation is encouraged. We encourage everyone to attend all classes. Certificates of attendance are provided at the end of the session. If **more than two** classes are missed, the student will not receive a certificate and may be asked to discontinue the course.

The last class is a "Silent Social Night". Friends and family members, along with the Deaf community are invited guests.

Your interest in our program is greatly appreciated and we look forward to having you join us!

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**ATLANTA AREA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES**

New Student: _____ **Previous Student:** _____

Please circle the day of class attending: Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Please Circle the County attending: Dekalb Rockdale Bibb

Please Print:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: DAY: _____ EVENINGS: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Please check one:

I am an _____ AASD or _____ GA PINES parent/ family member. If so

Child: _____

Teacher/Advisor: _____

Please Check one: _____ Staff member of AASD/GA PINES _____ bus driver/monitor of AASD students.

_____ Parent /family member of a deaf/hard of hearing student _____ Teacher of deaf/hard of hearing students

Name of School System: _____

_____ **I am an interested community member.**

Briefly explain your reason for participating in the class on the lines below:

***** PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE OFFICE USE ONLY: *****

SESSION: _____ FALL _____ WINTER _____ SPRING 20____

Date registration received: _____ Date payment received: _____

Payment: _____ \$50.00 _____ \$100.00 Cash _____ Money Order _____ (Payable to AASD/PIP)

Receipt# _____ Instructor: _____

NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS:

If you are **NOT** available to attend and wish to continue hearing from us for future sessions, please complete this form and return it to Dona Harris. Once it is returned, your name will remain on the mailing list. Otherwise, your name will be removed. Thank you.

_____ Yes, please keep me on the mailing list!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip Code _____

Phone Number: Day: (_____) _____ - _____

Night: (_____) _____ - _____

E-MAIL: _____

Mail this form to:

Dona Harris, School Social Worker
Atlanta Area School for the Deaf
890 North Indian Creek Drive
Clarkston, GA 30021

The Georgia School for the Deaf's on-campus ASL classes will begin next week! Our informational flyer can be found at www.gsdweb.org!

American Sign Language

— Classes Offered at the —
Georgia School for the Deaf

\$50

Registration
Fee for
Non-GSD
Participants

- Taught by Staff Interpreter Dean Evans
- Approximately 18 Hours of Instruction
- Textbook Available At Cost
- GSD Employees and Parents of GSD Students Free of Charge

Contact GSD Interpreter Dean Evans
by phone at 706-777-2328
or by e-mail at devans@doe.k12.ga.us.

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BASIC ASL CLASS

Tuesdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Begins September 10, 2013

This class will cover the basics of ASL vocabulary, grammar and sentence structure and explore various aspects of Deaf culture. It will also focus on building a sound foundation for more advanced language skill development. Deviation from textbook content may occur, depending on the individual needs of the students.

Text: Vista Signing Naturally (Level 1)
Instructor: Dean Evans, M.A., RID-CI
Location: Georgia School for the Deaf,
Kennard Building Auditorium

INTERMEDIATE ASL CLASS

Mondays, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Begins September 9, 2013

The intermediate course will continue to build on the foundation introduced in Basic ASL and will focus on continued vocabulary development, more advanced sentence structure as well as encouraging deeper understanding of cultural norms. Deviation from textbook content may occur, depending on the needs of the students.

Text: Vista Signing Naturally (Level 2)
Instructor: Dean Evans, M.A., RID-CI
Location: Georgia School for the Deaf,
Kennard Building Auditorium