

Now Accepting Applications for Family Signs Kansas Instructors!

FAMILY SIGNS KANSAS - Providing ASL instruction to families in an effort to help parents more effectively communicate with their children.

Job Requirements:

- College degree in a field related to deafness and/or education and/or language development, and/or
- Certified interpreters (including CDI) - Level 4 or 5 (EIPA), KQAS 4 or 5, and/or NIC; and/or
- Advanced signers with minimum of 5 years experience in the field of deaf education.
- Experience teaching ASL to families is preferred.
- All instructors must be must be advanced signers.
- Applicants need not live in the KC metro area.

Technology and Equipment:

- Computer with webcam
- High-speed internet connection
- Email and web access
- Willingness to install Zoom/Skype/Google+, etc.
- Videophone or iChat (using a Mac computer) may be used if the instructor has access and can be matched with a family with similar equipment.

Family Signs Kansas instructors use their own computers with webcams and high-speed internet connections. Classes are usually conducted from the instructor's home although other locations may be used with prior approval. The computer should be located in an area with good lighting, uncluttered background, and minimal visual and audio distractions.

Work Hours:

Family Signs Kansas instructors must be flexible in their work hours. Instructors will schedule classes with their students for sessions lasting 30-45 minutes once each week at a set day and time. Required planning for each session should be 15-30 minutes per session. Instructors will fill out session forms after each scheduled session even if a session did not occur. Instructors will be paid 60 minutes per session.

The primary goal is to make the classes accessible to students; therefore, classes should be scheduled at times most convenient to the students. All instructors should strive to complete at least 20 sessions.

Training and Materials:

Family Signs Kansas instructors will be expected to follow the curriculum materials provided. Instructors will be required to attend a 1 day training to become familiar with the materials and expectations of the Family Signs Kansas Program. This training is mandatory. Instructors are expected to stay within the role of a sign language instructor and will not share opinions or feelings about different sign systems, communication choices, or educational placements.