

# DHH SoundOff! January 2017 Edition

Dear Teachers and Staff,

Welcome to the January Edition of DHH SoundOff!

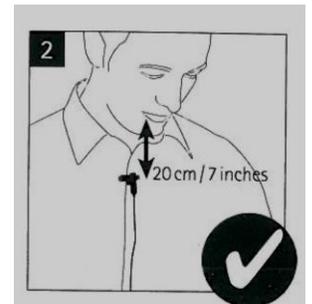
You are receiving this email because you are the teacher or case manager of a student with hearing loss. We hope you and your students have a great start to the new year!

## Do you use one of these Transmitters in your classroom?



## Super Teacher Tips for Wearing the Transmitter!

- Correct placement of the microphone is the #1 strategy you can use to assure that your student with hearing loss has access to the information in your class. Be sure to wear the device so the microphone is 6-8 inches below your mouth, with the microphones facing outward (not touching your shirt!)
- When the student with hearing loss is working independently, the transmitter should stay on his or her desk. This way, the various people who need to communicate with him/her (for example, peers, paraprofessionals, teachers) will always be able to pick up the mic and have clear communication with the student. The teacher must remember to put on the transmitter and correctly position the mic when beginning to teach the whole class again.



## Teacher Spotlight:

*Gwyn Olsen - Teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing Preschool - Hope Elementary*

Gwyn has a fantastic class of 13 Deaf/Hard of Hearing students so she is no stranger to listening equipment! She has great advice for checking for comprehension to ensure a student's equipment is working: When the student enters the classroom, she asks them an open-ended question related to the current classroom lesson, or about their day. If you casually ask the student an open-ended question, you can get tell whether the student is understanding you, or if you need to check if their equipment; this works better than "can you hear me?" Thanks Gwyn!

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## Thanks for Tuning In!

That's all for the January Edition of DHH SoundOff! We wish you and your students a happy new year! As always, if you have any questions, we're all ears!

Amanda Levy and Linda Dye - NCCSE Educational Audiologists

P.S. To see previous newsletters and access tons of resources for using and troubleshooting DHH equipment, please visit the NCCSE Resource Page Website: <http://www.nccse.org/resources/resources-home/audiology-resources>

## Calling All Teachers!

**Have you come up with a stellar way to support your DHH student in the classroom? Send us an email about it and you could be featured in the next DHH SoundOff!**

## Contact Information

The two NCCSE Audiologists, Dr. Linda Dye and Dr. Amanda Levy, along with Audiology Aide Tara Thompson, serve all of the districts in North County. See below to find out which Audiologist is assigned to your district, and how to contact them.

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