

# SERVICES FOR STUDENTS IDENTIFIED AS HEARING OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Information regarding services for students with hearing or vision impairments may be found on the following sites:

**Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind (VSDB)** - <http://www.vfdb.k12.va.us/>

- The VSDB is located in Staunton, Virginia and provides a day program and outreach services, as well as a residential setting exclusively to students who are deaf or hard of hearing, blind or visually impaired or deaf-blind.

**Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (VDDHH)** - <http://www.vddhh.org>

- The VDDHH provides standards for educational interpreting services and other services to reduce communication barriers between persons who are deaf or hard of hearing and their families and the professionals who serve them.

**Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI)** - <http://www.vdbvi.org>

- The DBVI's primary focus is to assist Virginians who are blind in achieving quality employment outcomes. Vocational evaluation, job training, job development, placement, follow-up and other services are provided to assist consumers in obtaining jobs in the public and private sectors. DBVI's education services program provides services to early intervention providers, school personnel, and families to help children to be successful in school and the community, and to prepare for the future.

**Virginia Project for Children and Young Adults with Deaf-Blindness**

[http://www.partnership.vcu.edu/programs/early\\_intervention\\_education./the-virginia-project-for-children-and-young-adults-with-deaf-blindness](http://www.partnership.vcu.edu/programs/early_intervention_education./the-virginia-project-for-children-and-young-adults-with-deaf-blindness)

- This office provides technical assistance, training, distance education and networking information to families, service providers and individuals who are deaf-blind/dual sensory impaired.

**Technical Assistance Center for Children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing and VNOC**

<http://www.vcu.edu/partnership/prep.html>

<http://www.vcu.edu/partnership/VNOC/>

- This center provides training and technical assistance in the area of deafness/hard of hearing. Assistance is available to local public school systems as well as early intervention and preschool programs through the Virginia Network of Consultants (VNOC) for professionals working with children who are deaf or hard of hearing.

### **Accessible Instructional Materials Center-VA (AIM-VA)**

<http://aimva.org/>

- AIM-VA's extensive library has developed an alternative system of providing accessible educational media under standards set by federal law (NIMAS) to students who meet the federal requirements for print disabilities and who are eligible for accessing educational media under individual IEP's, as required under Part B of IDEA. AIM-VA, in conjunction with partnering agencies, provides required accessible educational materials to students with an IEP and training for staff, at no cost to Local Education Agencies.