

TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF PRESS RELEASE

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HERE COMES SIGNING SANTA CLAUS

PHOTOS WITH SIGNING SANTA CLAUS FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING CHILDREN

BARTON CREEK SQUARE – December 8, 2014

WITH HOLIDAY MUSIC PERFORMED BY STUDENTS FROM TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Austin, Texas – December 8, 2014 Santa arrives at Barton Creek Square Mall today, ready to check wish lists from deaf and hard of hearing students from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

That's right. Santa knows many languages, including American Sign Language (ASL).

Signing Santa Claus - sponsored annually thanks to Barton Creek Square Mall - gives area children who use ASL to communicate, the opportunity to relay their holiday wishes directly to Santa, and on to the North Pole.

Volunteers and students from the Austin Optimists Clubs and Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) provide each child with a free photo on Santa's lap and a small treat from his workshop, while some of your favorite holiday music is performed in American Sign Language.

WHAT: Free photos by [Michael Barker Photography](#) with Signing Santa Claus for children who are deaf and hard of hearing; with holiday music by Texas School for the Deaf students

WHEN: Monday, December 8
6:00 – 8:30 PM

WHERE: Barton Creek Square Mall
Entrance B – between Sears and the AMC Theater

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ABOUT THE TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF (TSD)

The Texas School for the Deaf is the oldest continuously operating public school in Texas. Educating deaf and hard of hearing students of Texas since 1856, the campus also provides outreach and educational resources for students, their families and professionals in the field throughout the state of Texas. With educational excellence and a strong belief in a culture and community at TSD, students form a unique identity based on their individual strengths and talents. TSD is an environment where students learn, grow, and belong. For more information about the Texas School for the Deaf, visit <http://www.tsd.state.tx.us/>.

