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❖ Vocabulary, Reading & Academic Strategies Classes:
  ○ Using Fairview Tools, Spectrum Reading & Math, Education materials & Learning A-Z materials
    ● Purpose of V.R.A.S.:
      ○ Build vocabulary skills ranging from pre-kindergarten to high school level
      ○ Strengthen reading comprehension skills from reading materials, including books and articles, while developing critical-thinking skills
      ○ Develop a better understanding of academic English grammar structure

❖ Communication and Critical-thinking Class:
  ○ Using Daily News and Open Discussions
    ● Purpose of Communication and Critical-thinking:
      ○ How to stay on topic without going off track
      ○ How to provide sufficient information where needed
      ○ How to ask proper questions
      ○ How to answer questions correctly
      ○ How to respect other people’s opinions
      ○ How to think of different situations to support facts

❖ American Sign Language (ASL):
  ○ Using the book: Learning American Sign Language 2nd edition
    Levels I & II – Beginning & Intermediate
    ● Purpose of ASL:
      ○ ESL & brush up on vocabulary and basic communication skills
        ▪ Beginning (Units 1-12)
        ▪ Intermediate (Units 13-24)

❖ Employment Preparedness Readiness:
  ○ Using materials from websites and Google
    ● Purpose of EPR:
      ○ Prepare clients for employment by teaching the following:
        ▪ Deaf and Employment Culture Awareness
        ▪ Independent Living Skills
        ▪ Employment terms
        ▪ Application & Interview process
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❖ Tutoring Session:
  ○ Use clients’ homework assignments and elaborate where needed
    ▪ Purpose of tutoring session:
      ● Work with clients after school to better understand how to do their homework assignments
      ● Work with students after school in preparing for upcoming tests
      ● Explain and elaborate where needed to ensure that they are able to keep up with their classes
        ○ Subjects will vary in where clients need assistance

❖ Independent Living Skills (ILS):
  ▪ Purpose of ILS:
    ● Learn basic to advanced math skills to apply use in real life
    ● Money Budgeting
    ● Wants vs. Needs
    ● How to become independent, knowing responsibilities and prioritizing
    ● Cooking
    ● Banking

❖ Miscellaneous:
  ○ DMV
    ▪ Purpose of DMV:
      ● Learn how to read road signs
      ● Learn DMV vocabulary and questions to prepare for written tests

Prerequisites:
The Literacy Program accepts Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals, ages three and up.

Before participating in any of the above-listed, interested clients will need to meet with the Literacy Specialist to discuss needs and goals and take an assessment that will determine appropriate placement.

There is no timeline for completing the program. Our Literacy Program is ongoing, open for admission anytime.

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