**Informational Items**

SDSD has adopted a new logo expressing confidence in the future of education for children with hearing loss. It features a child with upraised arms with three butterflies near the child's hands. The logo was the result of months of work with Media One to develop a design that would represent the school and convey a positive message to the various publics.

SDSD is pleased to welcome two new outreach consultants to the team this fall. Julie Luke and Kerry Ruth will serve clients in Sioux Falls and West River areas respectively.

Julie Luke graduated from Augustana College in 2002 with a double major in Deaf Education and Elementary Education. Julie has experience teaching various age levels in the Deaf Education field. She has been married to her husband, Matt, and has two children, Madison, age 6, and Austin, age 3. Julie enjoys reading, running, and outdoor activities.

Kerry Ruth graduated from Black Hills State University in 1994 with a double major in Special Education and Elementary Education. In 2007, Kerry received a Master's Degree from the University of Minnesota in Deaf/Hard of Hearing Education. She lives in Deadwood with her husband, David, and two sons, Tanner and Jachin. She enjoys hiking, biking, swimming, reading, traveling, and volunteering in the community.

The Summer Enrichment Program is currently in its fourth year of providing a signing, language-rich environment for children ages 3 through 11. The program is funded through a grant from the SD Department of Education and Parent Connection and is housed at SDSD.

Teachers have a deaf education or deaf education related degree. Students in the program acquire language skills, socialize with peers, participate in community activities and interact with deaf role models.

Each week a thematic unit will be delivered and a field trip will reinforce language, social skills, and culture. This year the month has been dedicated to learning about different kinds of farms. Each week students focus on a different animal and visit a farm to enjoy hands on learning related to in class studies. Deaf adults also attend classes to tell stories or read books.

**Outreach Student Services**

Outreach students are served in the family’s home, community agencies or in their home school districts.

- Birth to 2 yrs, 11 month..........................21
- 3yrs to 5yrs, 11 months ..........................52
- 6 to 21 yrs........................................323
- Total................................................396

There are currently 28 referrals with the potential to become Outreach clients pending completion of required paperwork.
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Upcoming Mobile Lab Dates

August 2012

14/15 ..................... Bison  
16 ......................... Lemmon  
21 .......................... Dakota Valley  
22 .......................... Mitchell  
23 .......................... St. Joseph Indian School  
29 .......................... Montrose/Orland Colony  
30 .......................... Hanson  
31 .......................... Freeman/Marion

September 2012

4 ........................... Platte/Armour  
5 ............................ Stickney/Mount Vernon  
6 ............................ Ethan/Corsica  
7 ............................ Dakota Christian  
10 ........................... McCook Central/Canistota  
11 ........................... Gregory  
12 ........................... Burke/Colome  
17 ........................... Bridgewater/Emery  
18 ........................... Parker/Hurley/Brandon  
19 ........................... Plankinton  
20 ........................... Kimball/White Lake  
24 ........................... Wolsey  
25 ........................... Wessington Springs  
26 ........................... Tea  
27 ........................... Harrisburg