

# SOUNDS

# of Success!

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Every listening and spoken language journey sounds a little different, and that's what makes each one worth celebrating! This month, we're shining a spotlight on four incredible students who are hitting new milestones, developing their voices, and showing the world just what they're capable of. And the celebration doesn't stop there! We're also honoring an outstanding staff member who was nominated by a colleague, because great teachers inspire not just their students, but everyone around them. Here are our Sounds of Success stories for June!



Hello!  
My name is Nicandro...  
TK Class

Nicandro is developing strong self-advocacy skills, independently managing his hearing devices each morning and even identifying and communicating when one isn't working, a meaningful milestone in his growing independence and confidence as a listener and learner.

Hello!  
My name is Midnight...  
Preschool



Midnight is naming all of her colors, using longer sentences, and retelling familiar stories with props. She recently started to volunteer at the front during daily music experiences. Her confidence is growing! She loved the animals that Nature's Critters recently brought to CCHAT and even shared her pet parrot with her friends at school.

Hello!  
My name is Dax...  
Kindergarten



Dax has a great sense of humor, a kind heart for his friends, and can tell you anything about any Marvel superhero. He has worked hard this year to learn letters and numbers, improve his hand strength for writing, and make his voice louder. He loves to pretend he is a superhero with his friends on the playground, but in the classroom he is a supply superhero, always willing to pass out learning materials to his friends.

Hello!  
My name is Lieona...  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade



Lieona, who speaks Russian at home, is one of many CCHAT kids thriving as she develops oral communication skills in two languages!



hello, my name is  
**Meredith**  
Staff Spotlight



Meredith

Meredith's journey with CCHAT started long before she joined the team. She was a student teacher here first! She went on to earn her Master's Degree in Communicative Disorders and Deaf Studies from Fresno State University and has been a proud full-time staff member since 2013. As a certified Listening and Spoken Language Specialist (LSLS Cert AVEd) through the Alexander Graham Bell Academy, Meredith brings both expertise and heart to her role as a Teacher of the Deaf. And if you catch the sound of music drifting through the halls, that might just be Meredith...she's also one of CCHAT's beloved daily music instructors!

“Meredith is a truly exceptional Teacher of the Deaf and listening and spoken language (LSL) professional. Over the last two years, she has mentored me in my own journey to becoming a Teacher of the Deaf, and her guidance has been invaluable. She embodies what a LSL professional should be through her dedication, creativity, and deep commitment to her students. Her talent for immersing children in language through music and meaningful interactions is truly one of a kind, and the impact she has on her students and colleagues is extraordinary.”

 Kelly Meinhart, CCHAT, TK Teacher



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