



GRANT WOOD
AREA EDUCATION AGENCY

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Dear GWAEA Superintendents,

I hope the start to the school year is treating you well. I wanted to bring to your attention an adjustment in our hearing screening services for the upcoming academic year due to an unforeseen staff shortage. Previously, our team provided comprehensive hearing screenings for preschool learners with IEPs, learners in K-2nd grade, 5th grade, and any learners with a known hearing loss in all other grades. This year, we will conduct hearing screenings for 3-year preschool learners with IEPs, 4-year-old preschool, AK/Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 5th grade learners.

As always, students outside the specified grade levels who require hearing assessments should schedule an appointment at our Cedar Rapids or Coralville office locations. We will continue to allocate our resources to prioritize the critical early and transitional years of education where hearing health plays a significant role in academic development.

We appreciate your continued partnership in ensuring the health and educational success of all students in your district. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa M. Grennan".

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