



BALTIMORE NONPROFIT ANNOUNCES NEW EDUCATION DIRECTOR HASA names Dana Reinhardt, M.Ed. to lead educational programs

Baltimore, Md. (July 11, 2018) - After an extensive search, HASA has selected Dana Reinhardt, M.Ed. as its Education Director. She will direct a variety of programming, including Gateway School.

Ms. Reinhardt will join an organization with strong roots in the Baltimore community. Founded in 1926 as a meeting place for the hard of hearing, HASA has evolved to serve the interpreting, educational and therapeutic needs of children and adults throughout the region. Gateway School, founded in 1957, is a nonpublic special education program that provides an evidence-based, language-rich curriculum to students with communication challenges. Additional programs include an educational child care program and community-based prekindergarten classes, funded by the Maryland State Department of Education.

HASA executive director Erin Stauder states: "Dana's breadth of experience and passion for data-driven and evidence-based practice will help propel HASA's educational programs forward as we build and integrate our early learning initiatives."

Ms. Reinhardt began her career as an elementary school educator and built on that experience as a consultant and advocate. She joined Loyola University Maryland in 2007 and while there, worked as clinical faculty, professional development coordinator, and director of literacy programs at both the Loyola Clinical Centers and at the School of Education during her ten-year tenure.

Most recently, Ms. Reinhardt served as a director and data analyst at the Johns Hopkins University School of Education. There, she designed and implemented assessment and accreditation programs within the school and represented Johns Hopkins by participation in several local and national organizations and accrediting agencies.

Personally, she is a passionate advocate for children with special needs and language-based disorders. When asked about her new position, she states "I'm looking forward to advancing the great work HASA and Gateway School have done to positively impact the lives of students, clients, families, and community."

Ms. Reinhardt holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Gettysburg College and a Master of Education with a concentration in literacy from Loyola University of Maryland. She has advanced professional teaching certifications in elementary education, special education, early childhood education, and as a reading specialist. She resides in Baltimore County with her husband and three daughters.

ABOUT HASA

One of Baltimore's oldest nonprofit organizations, HASA's mission is to support prevention, treatment and advocacy initiatives related to communication. Services include hearing aids, hearing health programs, speech-language evaluation and therapy, special education, school-related language and literacy programs, interpreting, and sign language classes. For more information, please visit <http://hasa.org> or call (410) 318-6780.

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