Training Interpreters in Public Schools (TIPS)

TIPS was developed by TASK12 at the Center for Technical Assistance for Excellence in Special Education (TAESE) at Utah State University. This is an intensive program that begins with an intensive face-to-face training meeting with interpreters, followed by five months studying online modules that aim to improve the performance skills of interpreters and ultimately benefit children and youth who are deaf and hard of hearing. Interpreting skills are assessed before and after the training.

Date of Training: January 12, 2019
Duration: 8:30 am–5:00 pm – Face-to-Face Orientation to Training followed by five months of study via online modules
Location: Arizona DOE
3300 North Central Ave, Phoenix
Credits: CEUs and/or College credit pending
Registration and Cost: $450.00 (this includes your EIPA exit exam after completing TIPS)
Maximum Number: 20 interpreters

*In many cases your school district or state will pick up the cost. Check with your supervisor. The EIPA exit exam cost is included in the registration fee.

The TIPS on-line coursework consists of 3 modules (classes) of approx. 37 days each. The first module “Interpreting Educational Discourse” takes about 21 hours to complete. The second module “Fingerspelling in the Classroom” takes about 25 hours to complete. The third module “Discourse Mapping in Education” takes about 21 hours to complete. These modules are sequenced and participants are expected to stay focused and up-to-date. You will be expected to participate in group discussions and comment on others’ work throughout the process.