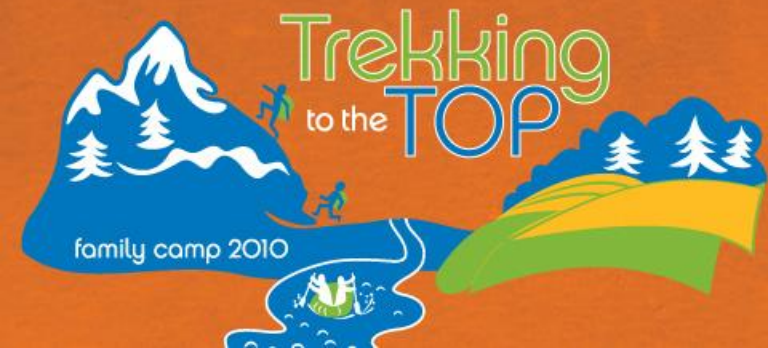


# Trekking to the Top: A Family Camp Conference



# Trekking to the Top

- CDC Conference Grant ~\$35,000
- Collaborative project: AR Children's Hospital, Hearts for Hearing (Okla)
- Core value: ongoing family involvement and support is a critical component of the EHDI process



## Goals/Gifts:

Hope

Confidence

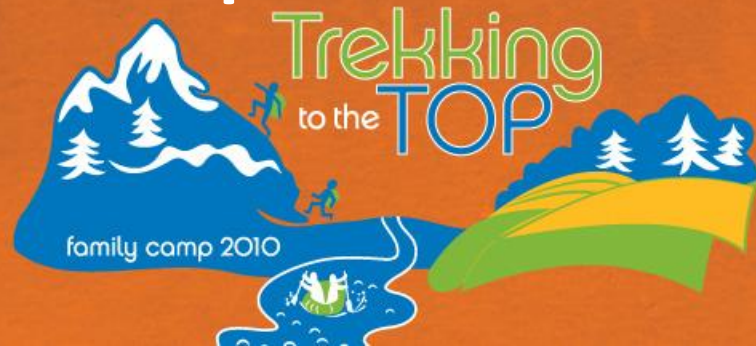
Essential Skills

Auditory Accessibility

Language/Listening

Self-Efficacy

Empowerment



## Core Planning Team

**Arkansas:**

Patti Martin

Michelle Leach

Nannette Nicholson

Matt McClellan

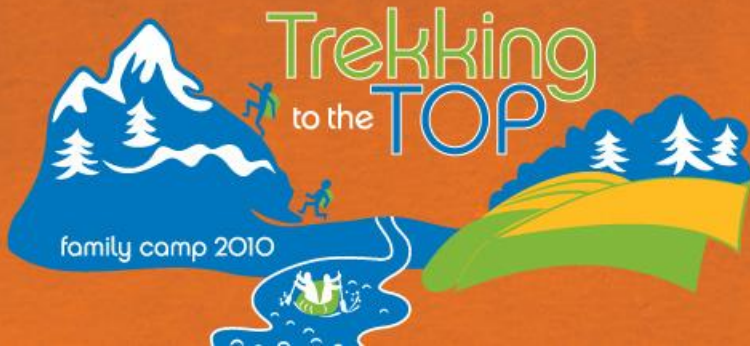
**Oklahoma:**

Teresa Caraway

Wendy DeMoss

# Trekking to the Top: Who would benefit?

- **30 Families (90 folks):**
  - “self-defined”/model families
- **15 Professionals:**
  - real world/outside the box
- **20 Pre-professionals:**
  - equipment management in the real world;  
listening as a pre-requisite; diapers;



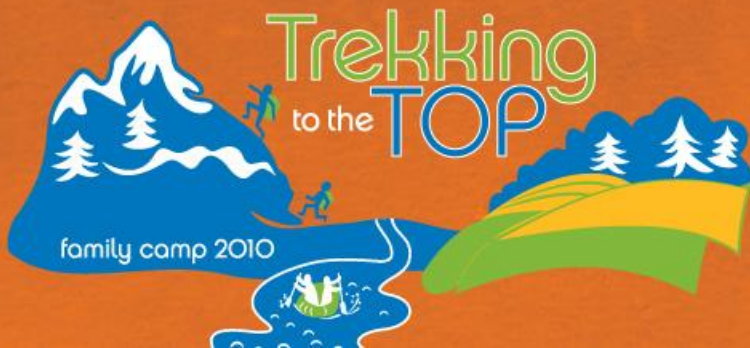
# Families Trekking to the Top

## Prioritization for Invitation

- Under 2
- Listening/spoken language
- Aggressive use of technology
- Commit to weekend
- English as primary language in home
- ½ from Arkansas and ½ from Oklahoma

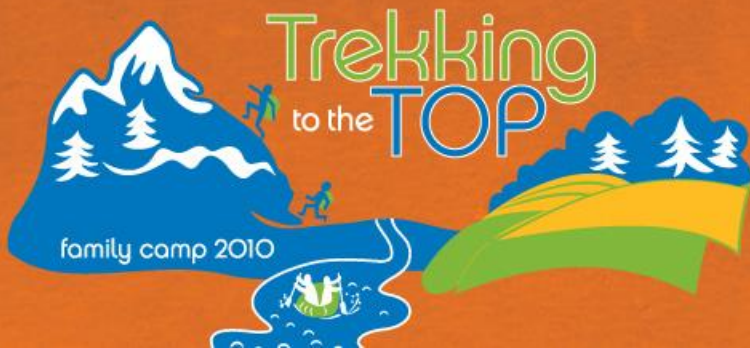
## You're Invited:

- Sent 3mos ahead w/RSVP 10 days
- Personal contact by known professional
- Required return of paperwork to confirm



# Trekking to the Top

- Secured central location: critical!
- Made age group teaching team assignments
- Interviewed students vs have University assign and offered stipends



# Save our Spot for Trekking to the Top!

Parents—we have a limited number of families that we are able to include in Family Camp. To reserve your spot, you must commit to attending Family Camp in its entirety and return this form to us by February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**YES! Save a cabin for our family!**

Members of our Family Crew include the following Adults (Parent/s, Grandparent/s, family member who keeps child during the day, etc should attend.): List Name and Relationship to child with hearing impairment.

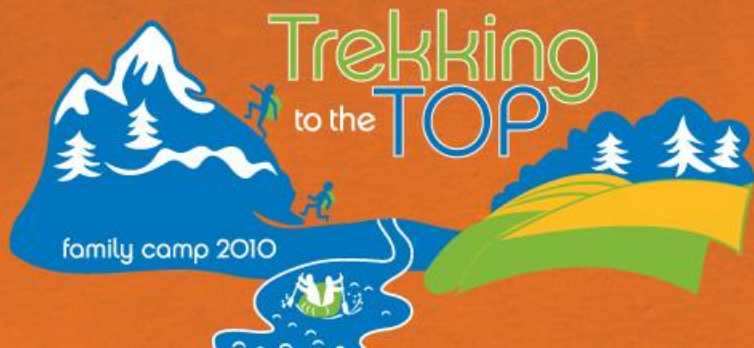
Members of our Family Crew include the following child/children: List names and DOB:

Name of Primary Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

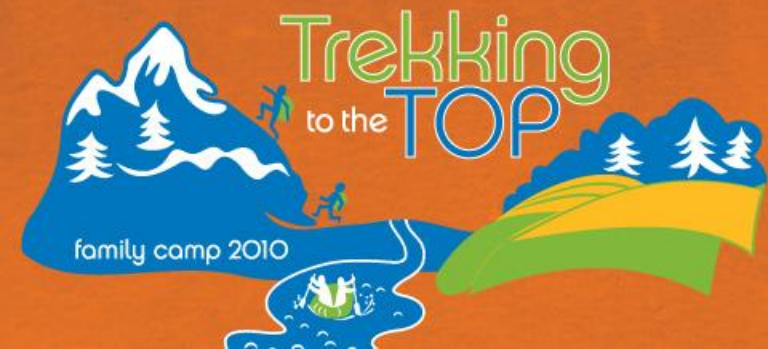


# Planning the Journey

Bi-monthly conference calls

AR lead SLPs to Hearts for Hearing

Webinar for Student Training





# Trekking the **STUFF** up the mountain

Tables

Therapy materials

Mats

Toys

Pak n Play

Binders

Kid Charts

T-Shirts

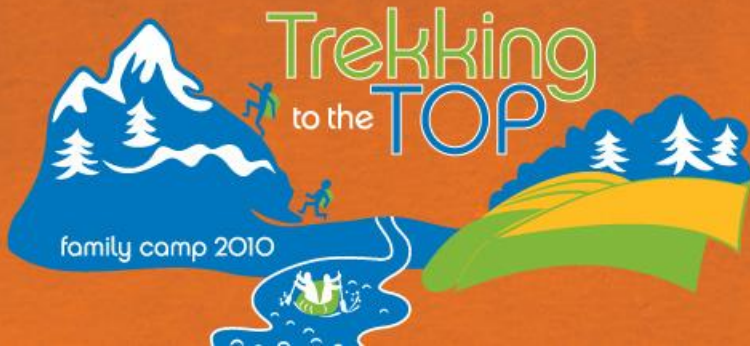
Name Tags

Wipes/Snacks

Good Attitude

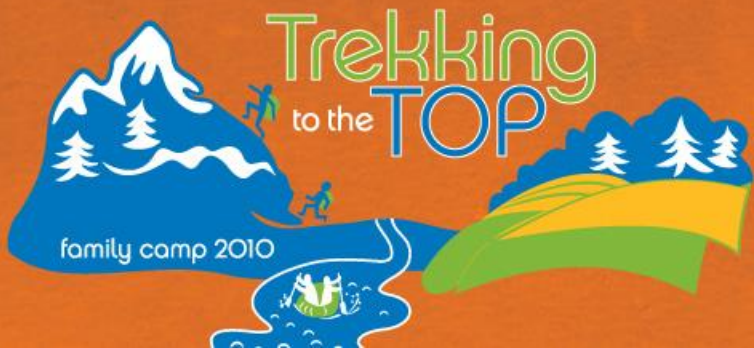


<b>June 3-6</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Staff Responsible</b>
<b>Thursday</b>				
<b>Staff Meeting</b>	<b>3:00 - ??</b>	<b>Staff Planning Time</b>	<b>Bailey</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>Friday</b>				
<b>Check In</b>	<b>3:00 – 5:00</b>	<b>Settle in/Time to Explore</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>DeMoss, Guenther</b>
<b>Family Kick-Off</b>	<b>5:00 – 6:00</b>	<b>Meet the Families</b>	<b>Bailey</b>	<b>Martin, Leach, McClellan</b>
<b>Dinner</b>	<b>6:00 – 6:30</b>	<b>Dinner</b>	<b>Cafeteria</b>	
<b>Drop-Off</b>	<b>6:30 – 6:45</b>	<b>Drop-Off children for Childcare Activities</b>	<b>Martin</b>	<b>Leach</b>
<b>Opening Session</b>	<b>6:45 – 8:15</b>	<b>Trekking to the Top: Learning to Listen and Talk</b>	<b>Bailey</b>	<b>Caraway</b>





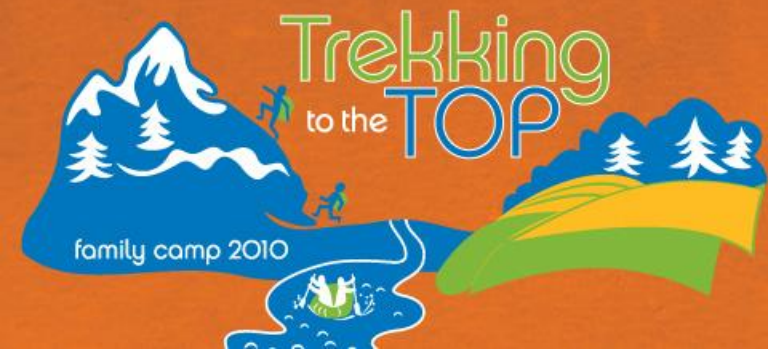
Saturday				
Optional Hike/Jog	7:00-7:30	Wake-Up Walk		McClellan
Breakfast	7:30 – 8:15	Breakfast	Cafeteria	
Drop-Off	8:30 – 8:50	Drop-Off children for Childcare Activities	Martin	Leach
Morning Parent Session	9:00 – 11:30	Blazing the Trail to the Top (Growing the Brain through Listening)	Bailey	Caraway
Pick-Up	11:30 – 11:45	Pick-Up	Martin	Leach
Lunch	1:15 – 2:00	Lunch	Cafeteria	
Optional Break Out Sessions (repeated)	1:00 – 1:45 & 2:00 -- 2:45	1)The Doctor is In 2) Ear Gear Etcetera	Bailey (Demo Cart)	Martin, Nicholson
Drop-Off hearing siblings	2:45 – 3:00	Drop-Off hearing siblings for Childcare Activities (keep HI child)	Martin	Leach
Afternoon Parent Session with HI Child	3:00 – 3:45	Following the Compass: Guided Practice Activities	Martin/ Grounds	DeMoss
Drop-Off HI child	3:45 – 4:00	Drop-Off child for Childcare Activities	Martin	Leach



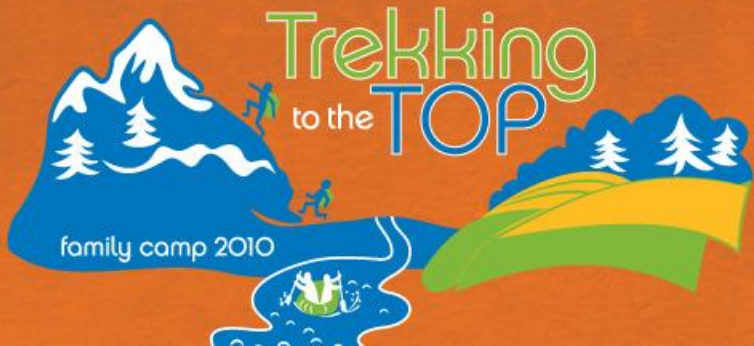


Pick-Up	5:30	Childcare Pick-Up	Martin	Leach
Dinner	5:30 – 6:15	Dinner	Cafeteria	
Evening Family Session	6:30 – 8:00	Sounds of Celebration: Drumming Circle	Bailey	Martin/McClellan
Optional Evening Activity	8:45-9:30	Fire Pit Fun-s'mores, guitar, singing, etc.	Gift shop Patio	McClellan
Pick-Up	5:30	Childcare Pick-Up	Martin	Leach





Sunday				
Breakfast	7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast	Cafeteria	
Drop-Off	8:45 – 9:00	Drop-Off	Martin	Leach
Morning Parent Session	9:00 – 9:30	Finding Your Way through Uncharted Territory:	Bailey	Martin
	9:30 – 11:00	Panel/Parents	Bailey	McClellan
	11:00 – 11:30	Reaching the Summit: May All Your Dreams Come True— Evaluation/Wrap-up	Bailey	ALL
Pick-Up	11:30	Childcare Pick-Up	Martin	Michelle
Check-Out/Lunch	11:45 – 12:30	Check-Out and Pick-Up Sack Lunch		Wendy
Team Wrap-Up	1:00 – 2:30	Staff	TBD	Nicole







20 SLP/AuD Students  
-UAMS (Little Rock)  
-U of A (Fayetteville)



# Responsibilities

## SLP

Lesson Plans

Modeling

Stimulate Language/Listening Skills

Playground Duty



Audiology

Child Care

Equipment Checks

Break Out Sessions



# What Didn't We Do???





# Lessons Learned

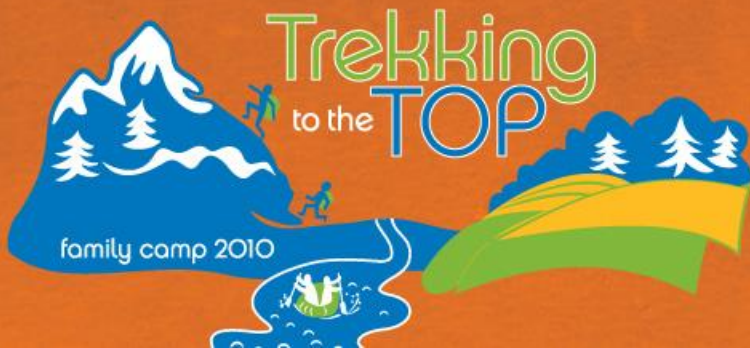
Time Management/Planning Skills

Troubleshooting

- HA Check

- Ling Six

Communication Repair Strategies



# STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

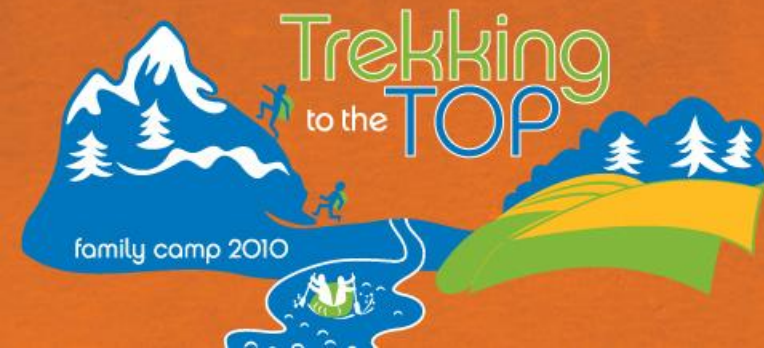
## Exposure to Actual Kids!!

- Varying Severities, Pragmatic Skills, Technology Knowledge

## ACQUIRE NEW SKILLS

- Hands on Technology Care/Maintenance
- Parent Teaching
- Relating to Hearing Siblings
- Engaging Teens/Tweens in Group Activity

## DYNAMIC GROUP



# May All Your Dreams Come True...

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