



ENROLLMENT PACKET

The University of Houston Presents:
Cougar Communication Groups
Summer Speech & Language Therapy Program
at the
University Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic:
A United Way Agency



Join us on an **OLYMPIC** adventure!
Summer 2012



June 4th – July 11th

Groups meet twice weekly for two hours each session.

For children ages 18 months to 4 years of age

Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

AND

For children 5 years of age to 12 years of age

Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Limited Spaces Available!

Call 713-743-2898 for further enrollment information

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Cougar Communication Groups **2012 Summer OLYMPIC Program** **June 4th to July 11th**

Thank you for your interest in Cougar Communication Groups for the summer of 2012. This Summer Program is a program provided by the University Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic.

Our innovative program provides affordable and intensive group therapy for children ages 18 months to 12 years of age. Children will work with other children who have similar difficulties and needs in order to maintain and continue their speech and language progress. Goals will be achieved through fun activities such as story-time, art, science, and play. Groups are available to focus on: Articulation, Speech Productions, Language, Social, Pragmatics, Fluency, and Voice difficulties.

Communication Sciences and Disorders graduate students under the supervision of experienced and certified Speech-Language Pathologists will lead our groups. They will meet on either Monday / Wednesdays or Tuesday / Thursdays from June 4th to July 11th, with parent conferences to be held on the last day of treatment.

Tuition is \$840 for the OLYMPIC summer camp term. The enrollment form and a deposit of \$20 are required to hold you a spot in the group program. Please turn in the enrollment form by **May 3rd** for priority placement to enroll in our Summer Program.

A sliding scale based on income is available to families that qualify. Please ask the front desk for an application.

Early bird registration fee is available for a 10% reduced tuition if paid in full by **May 3, 2012**.

We hope that you will join us! We are excited about our OLYMPIC summer speech and language camp! Call 713-743-2898, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Cougar Communication Groups
The University Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic (USLHC)



Cougar Communication Groups 2012 Summer Program Packet

We are excited that you are considering our Cougar Communication Groups for summer 2012. Our goal is to provide quality and intensive speech and language treatment for your child.

The Clinical Director and Enrollment Coordinator determine admission to the program. The groups are designed for children, ages 18 months to 12 years of age, who are able to be successful and learn in a group environment with minimal behavior support. Placement in a group is only made if there is a group available that matches your child's skills and needs. If it is determined that an appropriate group placement is not available in the summer program, an individual therapy placement will be offered.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES:

Please check the circumstance that best fits your situation:

1. **Current University Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic (USLHC) client:** Complete enrollment form and \$20 deposit.
2. **Received assessment at USLHC:** Complete enrollment form and \$20 deposit. ARD paperwork or previous assessment reports should be turned in with enrollment form.
3. **Assessment Completed Outside of USLHC:** Complete enrollment form and \$20 deposit. Submit the most recent ARD paperwork or previous speech/language testing reports to USLHC prior to admission in groups. Completion of the USLHC case history form is also required.
4. **New client and NO recent assessment completed: Call to schedule an assessment at USLHC prior to April 2012.** New clients will need to fill out a case history form. Please call the clinic at 713-743-2898 to request the paperwork required to schedule an evaluation appointment prior to April 2012.



2012 Summer Program Enrollment Form

Client's name:	
Date of Birth:	
Parent's Name:	
Home Phone:	Work/Cell:
Address:	
E-mail	
Referral Source:	

GROUP SELECTION:

Children attending the Summer Program will be organized into groups with other children working on similar goals (2-6 students). Groups for the summer will target the most important goal area for each client. These goals will be determined by considering input from parents, clinicians, previous clinicians, and diagnostic results.

If known, please check the preferred goal area(s) for summer:

(select no more than 2 areas)

- ☐ Language (what you understand, communicating at an age appropriate level, retelling past events, grammar, vocabulary skills)
- ☐ Articulation (sounds, saying words clearly)
- ☐ Fluency or Stuttering
- ☐ Social Skills (interacting and playing with peers appropriately)
- ☐ Voice Skills
- ☐ Other:

Please write two specific speech or language goals for your child:

1.

2.

SCHEDULING:

Times and days are dependent on group enrollment and availability. However, we will work to accommodate your schedule as much as possible. Please indicate the days and times below:

Choose preferred days:

- ☐ Monday/Wednesday ☐ Tuesday/Thursday

Choose appropriate group time slot based on age:

- ☐ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (18 mths - 4 yrs) ☐ 1:00 – 3:00 pm (5 yrs to 12 yrs)

Are there any days or weeks that you will miss due to vacations or other events?

If so, specify: _____

Any friends to be grouped with your child? _____

All About Me

Please complete this form with your child.

Name: _____

I go to school at _____.

My favorite subjects are _____.

My worst subjects are _____.

I get help with _____ from _____.

I learn best when _____.

My speech teacher's name is _____.

I see her/him ____ time(s) a week to work on my _____.

I like to snack on _____.

I am allergic to _____.

When I am happy, I _____.

When I am upset, I _____.

I have to go to the doctor to _____.

At home, I play _____.

My hobbies are _____.

The sports I like are _____.

The pets I have are _____.

Please tell any more information or draw a picture on the back.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Summer Program 2012

What times are the groups available?

Groups are available at 4 different times during the summer:

For children ages 18 months to 4 years of age, Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM,

AND

For children 5 years of age to 12 years of age, Monday/Wednesdays or Tuesday/Thursday 1:00 - 3:00 PM.

Your preferred group may only be available during certain time slots depending on availability, openings in the group, and clinician availability.

What are the dates for the Summer Program?

The dates for the Summer Program are June 4th to July 11th.

Where is the Summer Program located?

The clinic's physical address is 4505 Cullen Blvd, Houston, TX 77004-6018, located at the University of Houston's main campus, Entrance #8.

The mailing address is:

100 Clinic Research Services
Houston, TX 77204-6018

Who do I contact for information about enrollment?

Contact Ingrid Bowling, Dena Linda or Patti Reed at 713-743-2898.

Who do I contact for information about payment?

Contact Jackie McWhirt at 713-743-2898 or 713-743-0915.

What is the tuition rate and when do I pay?

The tuition for group is \$840 for the full OLYMPIC summer camp. As always, the clinic uses an income-based sliding scale, so families can apply and may qualify to pay only a portion of the full tuition. Early Bird registration is available for a 10% reduced fee if paid in full by May 3, 2012.

Who leads the groups?

A Speech- Language Pathologist will be assigned to supervise your child's group. One to two graduate clinicians will be assigned to lead your child's group. The clinicians for the groups are graduate students in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at University of Houston. All clinicians are guided by experienced and fully certified Speech-Language Pathologists.

What are the groups working on?

Each group will have an overall focus for the summer. The focus could be Language, Articulation, Voice Skills, Fluency (Stuttering), Social Skills and other communication needs. Clients are grouped with other children who have similar needs. During the groups, clients will participate in group activities such as story, art, science, work time, and other activities designed to increase their skills with the goals of the group.

How do I know if a group is right for my child?

A child might benefit from a group if they have been in speech and language therapy before, if they are able to learn and interact with other children, if they need to learn to transfer their new skills into the school and/or home environment. If a child has some behavioral difficulties, resists a group environment, needs one to one support to be successful, or is working on skills several years behind same age peers, they would likely make more progress in a one-to-one or individual therapy setting.

What is the attendance policy?

Attendance is required. Families are encouraged to consider their summer plans when selecting their preferred group days (M/W or T/Th) to ensure that the child gains the maximum benefit through reliable attendance. A child's benefit from the group program is dependent on consistent attendance. Tuition will not be refunded for absences.

Do I get a progress report for how my child is doing?

Yes! The graduate clinician assigned to your child will prepare a progress report that will be provided during the final parent conference at the conclusion of the Summer Program.

The clinic will be closed in observance of Independence Day on Wednesday, July 4, 2012.

