President's Message
LeeAnn Griffith, MS, CCC-SLP

Mission Possible
As audiologists and speech-language pathologists, our mission can certainly seem impossible at times. From early intervention to rehabilitation, and everything in between, we are professionals known for our ability to accomplish what others may see as impossible. The 2019 ArkSHA Convention Committee has been hard at work all year to bring you a line-up of speakers that will provide the expertise required to complete your mission. The convention officially begins with our Annual Business Meeting Wednesday afternoon, immediately followed by registration and an evening presentation on ethical health care challenges by Dr. Travis Threats. On Thursday, we begin with our Awards Ceremony and Opening Session on working at the top of our license and the next two days proceed with presentations on how to do just that. Our keynote speaker lineup includes two speakers who are former ASHA Presidents, and our presentations cover diverse and trending topics which range from ethics to diversity, telehealth, patient safety, and evidence-based treatment plans. We are also excited to introduce a material swap booth for students, social media hashtags specific to the convention, and fun ways to show school spirit whether you are a current student or simply want to support your alma mater. Although we work in a profession that sometimes presents challenges, no mission is impossible when we approach it together. Looking forward to seeing you at this year’s annual ArkSHA Convention!
Connect with ArkSHA on Social Media!
We have been working diligently to improve our website and social media platforms in order to connect with YOU better.

Be sure to use #ArkSHA when connecting with us!

Check out our website, www.arksha.org, where we will continue to make updates.

Register Now for the 2019 Convention!

October 2-4
DoubleTree Hotel & Robinson Conference Center

Register Now

Have you:
- Registered?
- Ordered your shirt?
- Donated a silent auction item?
- Signed up to volunteer?
- Picked out your team shirt for Thursday?

ArkSHA Needs Convention

Order your convention t-shirt today!
Volunteers!

Sign up today to volunteer! Just to name a few, we need moderators, registration help, and social media promoters. [click here]

Design created by UA Fayetteville student, Maryanne Babb.

Betty Bass Student Scholarship
Deadline to apply: October 1

[Download Application]

Application and supporting documents can be emailed to arksha@arksha.org

ASHA Registration Giveaway!

[Buy Your Chance Now!]

For just $10 you get entered for a chance to win a free ASHA Convention registration!

Materials Swap

ARE YOU A PROFESSIONAL LOOKING TO CLEAN OUT YOUR MATERIALS CLOSET? ARE YOU A STUDENT IN NEED OF THERAPY MATERIALS?
You’ve come to the right spot! Professionals bring your new and gently used materials to the convention Wednesday evening-Thursday morning for students to select from.

Names of members that donate items will be placed in a drawing for a free 2020 ArkSHA convention registration.

**THURSDAY OCT. 3**

**EXHIBIT HALL**

2019 ArkSHA TAILGATE

#ARKSHA
#ARKSHACON2019
#ARKSHASTUDENTS

Students and professionals are encouraged to represent your university or alma mater by wearing school colors or team shirts on Thursday, October 3.

Member of the Moment
DeAndra Gibson, MS, CCC-SLP
Nominated by: Jennifer Fisher

DeAndra Gibson began her practice in December of 1994 after graduating from UAMS. She spent several years working with kids with feeding/swallowing disorders and trained in pediatric swallow studies. She currently works predominately with children with speech and language disorders and particularly enjoys working with children with hearing impairments and those with development language disorders.

Becky Hall, co-owner of Pediatric Therapy Associates says, “DeAndra is always eager to accept a challenging case and is an outstanding advocate for individuals with disabilities.” In addition to her contributions to her patients DeAndra also volunteers her time to the local community where she is actively involved as a supporter of Klife, Main Street Searcy the local the Philanthropic Education Organization chapter.

Ashton Robbins, University of Arkansas

Ashton is currently a senior Honors student and recently had her research accepted for a presentation at both the ArkSHA and ASHA conventions later this fall. She has worked tirelessly on her research, is an excellent student, and is involved in multiple leadership roles on campus. Additionally, she volunteered her time over the summer to assist with organization at the UA Speech and Hearing Clinic. It would be hard to find someone who works harder than Ashton. Her future is undoubtedly bright.

Want to nominate a student or professional member of the moment? Select the image to the side to be taken to the nomination form.
### 2020 Changes to ASHA Certification Standards

Listed below are upcoming changes to the ASHA Certification Standards effective January 1, 2020 for students and professionals. More detailed information can be found on the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association website at [www.asha.org](http://www.asha.org) including links to register for live chats.

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<td>• Students can apply for certification at any time</td>
<td>• 2019 graduates should apply on or before December 31, 2019, even if Clinical Fellowship not completed</td>
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<td>• No specific number of hours of supervised clinical practicum required</td>
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If you plan to supervise students seeking ASHA certification, you must complete 2 hours of professional development in the area of clinical instruction or supervision AND self-attest that you have completed those hours by logging into your account at [www.asha.org](http://www.asha.org) prior to January 1, 2020. This attestation must only be completed once.

**NOTE:**
The Wednesday night session at the upcoming ArkSHA Convention will focus on Ethics and is offered for 3 professional development credit hours.

### Job Opportunities

**Did you know?**
Employers can post Job Announcements to ArkSHA’s website. Contact the ArkSHA Office at 501-244-0621 or arksha@arksha.org to post job opportunities for Speech-Language Pathologists or Audiologists.
ArkSHA Mission Statement
Connecting, learning and communicating with audiologists, speech-language pathologists, future professionals and consumers through:
Advocacy
Education
Mentoring
Networking
Resources

Connect with us

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Click Here to view the current opportunities!