

WAC 246-760-030 What are the auditory acuity screening standards for screening equipment and procedures? (1) Schools shall use auditory screening equipment providing tonal stimuli at frequencies at one thousand, two thousand, and four thousand herz (Hz) at hearing levels of twenty decibels (dB), as measured at the earphones, in reference to American National Standards Institute (ANSI) 1996 standards, or use Otoacoustic Emission Screening equipment.

(2) Qualified persons will check the calibration of frequencies and intensity at least every twelve months, at the earphones, using equipment designed for audiometer calibration.

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WAC 246-760-040 What are the procedures for auditory acuity screening? (1) Schools shall screen all children referenced in WAC 246-760-020 on an individual basis at one thousand, two thousand, and four thousand Hz., or use Otoacoustic Emission Screening equipment.

(2) The screener shall:

(a) Present each of the tonal stimuli at a hearing level of twenty dB based on the ANSI 1996 standards;

(b) Conduct screenings in an environment free of extraneous noise; or

(c) Use Otoacoustic Emission Screening protocols as provided by the equipment manufacturer.

(d) If at all possible, complete screening within the first semester of each school year;

~~(d)~~ (e) Place the results of screenings, any referrals, and referral results in each student's health and/or school record; and

~~(e)~~ (f) Forward the results to the student's new school if the student transfers.

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WAC 246-760-050 What are the auditory acuity screening referral procedures? (1) If a child does not respond to one or more frequencies in either ear **or fails the Otoacoustic Emission Screening:**

(a) The school must rescreen the child within six weeks;
and

(b) Notify their teachers of the need for preferential positioning in class because of the possibility of decreased hearing;
and

(c) Notify the parents or legal guardian of the need for audiological evaluation if the student fails the second screening.

(2) Schools shall notify parents or legal guardian of the need for medical evaluation if:

- (a) Indicated by audiological evaluation; or
- (b) Audiological evaluation is not available.

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