## In Brief The Annual National Child Count of

Children and Youth who are Deafblind

- This census information is collected by the Missouri Deafblind Technical Assistance Project at Missouri School for the Blind and sent to the Office of Special Education Programs at the United States Department of Education to generate a federal report on the number of children and youth who are deafblind.
- Children who are deafblind have combined vision and hearing loss and can be:
  - o Visually Impaired and Hearing Impaired with Vision being the primary disability
  - o Hearing Impaired and Visually Impaired with Hearing being the primary disability
  - o Blind and Hearing Impaired
  - Deaf and Visually Impaired
  - o Deaf and Blind
- The census information generates funding which is used by the Missouri Deafblind Technical Assistance Project to:
  - Plan and support workshops and courses for educators and families.
  - Provide stipends to allow families to attend local and national trainings and family events.
  - Provide support to school teams and families regarding effective educational practices.





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