

Work in a school or college?

Guidance in England on face coverings has changed... To make sure your deaf students aren't left out, you must make reasonable adjustments. Speak to your student and their parents first, and consider the following:

Get advice

Contact a Teacher of the Deaf through your local sensory support service.



Use a radio aid

This device will amplify your voice whilst cutting out background noise.



Cut out the noise

Think about what you can do to reduce background noise.



Try an app

Use a mobile or tablet app that can translate speech into text.



Give one-to-one support

This can be done without the use of face coverings, where social distancing is possible.



Use government exemptions

You and other students can remove your face covering if a deaf student needs to lip-read you.



Keep it clear

As an alternative to removing your face covering, wear a transparent face covering or visor.



For more, check out the Department for Education guidance [here](#), and our resources for professionals, [here](#).

You can also contact our Freephone Helpline for support on www.ndcs.org.uk/helpline or **0808 800 8880**.