**Toilet Training**

*Would you accept any students in the residential program if they were not toilet trained?*

**Maine**

Potty training would not deter us from considering acceptance into our residential program if all other criteria was able to be met and the child was determined to be a good fit to make progress in our program.

-Melissa Camire

**Oklahoma School for the Deaf**

OSD accepts students at 18 months old day student and come half day.  So far we have gotten 3 year old and up,  we do change diapers and we do accept students not toilet trained.

-Trudy Lynn Mitchell

**Marie Katzenbach School for the Deaf**

We only have a residential program for high school students who are auditorily impaired and independent students.

-Joan Krasnisky, Superintendent

**Michigan School for the Deaf**

Depending on the situation,  If student come from a home that contain hardship, We would take them in and parent must provide diapers.  Usually would take 2 to 4 week to get that student potty trained.

-Alvin Shaw, Resident Care Aide Supervisor

**South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind**

At SCSDB’s School for the Deaf, we will accept students of that age into residential who are not toilet trained however we also ensure the parents know that we expect them to be working toward toilet training in concert with the school program.  In addition to our Schools for the Deaf and for the Blind, we have our Cedar Springs Academy which is a program for students with Moderate Intellectual Disability that serves some students who are not toilet trained prior to residential placement.

-Jennifer Stanion, Principal

**Rochester School for the Deaf**

No, we do not.

-Carrie Fisher

**West Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind**

Yes, we take resident who are toilet trained starting at age 3.  
-Christine Lewis, Ed D., WVSDB Director of Student Life

**CSD-Fremont**

CSD-Fremont does not accept students as residential if not toilet trained.

-Ethan Bernstein

**WPSD**

We accepted a student who used pull ups but we helped with potty training. Now the student is potty trained. Yay!

-Mary Ennis Blahut, Dean of Girls

**Oregon School for the Deaf**

We do accept kids who are not toilet trained. We had a kindergarten boy who came in two years ago in spring, he was not toilet trained yet. He also had a brother who was going to be attending OSD as well in the upcoming fall as a kindergartener. Last year, dorm staff worked hard on getting them trained and were successful.

- Boaz Edmunson, Dean of Student Life

**Iowa School for the Deaf**

There are several other variables that need to be addressed when making a determination of this nature...toilet training, what is the delay in this milestone? Does the student require a 1:1 staff member, what other needs to be accommodated for?

Not really a cut and dry issue. In general, we like to have all students meet the “self-dependent” criteria, which would include toileting. Can you give me some more background info without overstepping confidentiality?

-Kevin Boyce

**Montana School for the Deaf and the Blind**

The student demonstrates self-help skills that are developmentally appropriate for his/her chronological age; i.e., self-feed, chew and swallow most foods, assist in dressing self, cooperate in bathing and toileting, and indicate an awareness of being soiled or wet at the preschool level. That said, we would probably not accept a student at 5 years of age who is not toilet trained.

-Jim Kelly II, Director of Student Life

**Lexington School & Center for the Deaf**

Although Lexington’s 4-day residential program is licensed by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, we do not accept any students who is not toilet trained. Let me know if you have any further questions.

-Russell O. West, CEO/Superintendent

**Illinois School for the Deaf**

Yes. Toilet training isn’t a factor to consider not accepting her into a program. However, I would assume there may be some severe disability. If that is the case, then an 1:1 aide may be requested and would be pay by the school district if they consent to it.

-Jesse Hayes, Director of Student Life

**Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind**

No, residential students have to be toilet trained to be eligible for dorm placement.    If it is “medically related”, the scenario might be a bit different – might need support from either 1-1 supervisors or school nurses and then hopefully, the students will be eventually independent.

**-Tim Elstad**

**Delaware School for the Deaf**

**We do accept students who needs to be toilet trained, parents are required to supply diapers, pull up underwear.**

**-Dr. Eva Hartmann, Dean of Student Life**