

Dear Principal and assembly coordinator,

Your students have probably read about Thomas Edison and Ludwig van Beethoven and their many contributions to society. But have they considered what might have happened had these two men not risen above the difficulties of being profoundly deaf?

I have personally experienced this situation, since three years ago my life changed drastically when I became profoundly deaf. As a nationally known magician who has performed thousands of award winning shows across the country in schools, early learning centers, theatres, churches, top casinos, and the Academy of Music in Philadelphia, losing my hearing meant big changes in my life. Not only was I concerned with how I would communicate with my daughter, but how would I continue to perform my show?

Well fortunately, I did not give up. I did not give in. I chose to believe in myself and work hard and today I am living proof that when you face adversity, if you're willing to fight for it, you can truly turn a stumbling block into a stepping stone.

Through hard work my assistant Christine and I created a new show called "DEAFinitely Magic," a magical exploration into the world of deaf and hard of hearing people. The show is filled not only with spectacular grand illusions, hilarious comedy, tons of audience interaction and participation, but more importantly, I share information on deaf history, deaf culture and many exciting, inspirational stories of people like Edison and Beethoven who overcame their deafness to make incredible contributions to society that benefit us even today. My goal is to inspire you students, that regardless what difficulties they may face in life, they must not give up. My focus is on the positive side of life and the things we can accomplish through hard work.

I am continually encouraged by the many endorsements and recommendations I receive from schools and parents. One parent just last month told me after the show, *"I can not imagine a better school assembly...it was an incredible show with a powerful, positive message."* Erik S. – parent. As one teacher put it, *"this is what a school assembly should be!"* and another teacher stated, *"this was the best school assembly I have seen in 30 years!"*

Known nationally as the "Hilarious Magic of Sam Sandler," I have been performing for more than two decades and teaching magic and working with children for 24 years. I currently teach magic and American Sign Language at the Agnes Irwin School located near Villanova. I would love to "teach" and perform "DEAFinitely Magic" in your school, for your students. You will not find an assembly of this magnitude for such an affordable price.

We're excited to visit your school and inspire your students!

Magically yours,

Samuel L Sandler

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- Pennsylvania School for the Deaf
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing Communications Center
- Hearing Loss Association of America
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