## What is SPARC?

SPeech and ARtiCulation (SPARC) group is designed to improve speech sound production, speech movement patterns and intelligibility in children ages 3 and 4 years old. The group program is appropriate for children who are motivated to communicate, but their verbal speech is often not understood by communication partners.

The program uses a thematic play-based learning environment to support relevant, meaningful, and functional speech and language therapy for the children enrolled. The program will also introduce and address phonological awareness (pre-reading) skills. Individual goals are addressed for children who have moderate to severe speech sound (phonological, Childhood Apraxia of Speech, motor speech) disorders and delays. The program is led by a certified, licensed speech-language pathologist with the support of graduate student clinicians.

# The SPARC program targets:

- Syllable shape production
- Speech sound production
- Producing meaningful and functional target words
- Repetitive speech practice in play-based activities
- Speech movements between sounds
- Increasing overall speech intelligibility



# When:

Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Available fall, spring and summer semesters

#### Where:

Callier Center Richardson 2895 Facilities Way | Richardson, Texas 75080

#### Cost:

\$90/session (may be insurance eligible) + \$75 nonrefundable enrollment fee

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## Callier Center for Communication Disorders

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