



Alabama Student Academy of Audiology Newsletter



Resources

- Check out the [Advocacy Tools](#) on the Academy website!
- For information about legislative issues, go to the [Legislative Action Center](#). Resources here will keep you up-to-date about important audiology legislation and provide a means to connect with elected officials!
- For more information about SAA scholarships and grants for students and chapters, follow this [link](#)!
 - The STAR (Student Travel Award Reimbursement) Program offers outstanding audiology graduate students funding of up to \$500 to attend meetings in the hearing sciences.
 - Applications are due February 15.
- The SAA wants to celebrate students' accomplishments with Chapter Chatter! Submit your SAA chapter's updates to [Alexis Leiderman](#), Communications Committee Chair!
- The Sight and Hearing Association's [Noisy Toys List 2020](#)!
 - This reports toys that exceed, or come close to, the National Institute of Occupational Health and Safety's 85 dB cutoff for mandatory hearing protection.
- If your chapter is stuck on what to do, check out the [SAA Program Ideas Bank](#), a resource and inspiration center for chapters to use when planning activities.

Stay Connected!

Follow the [SAA Blog](#) to read new posts!

Follow the [SAA Facebook Page](#) to stay updated about all things SAA!

Instagram:

- Follow [Auburn University's Instagram](#)!
- Follow [South Alabama's Instagram](#)!
- Follow [Alabama SAA Instagram](#)! *NEW*
- Follow [American Academy of Audiology's Instagram](#)

Upcoming Events

- [AAA 2021 + HearTECH Expo \(Virtual\)](#) on April 14-16 → Registration Open January 18, 2021!
 - Academy member \$299
 - SAA member \$35
 - Nonmember \$399
- [SAA Conference 2021 \(Virtual\)](#) on Wednesday, April 14
 - 10:00am-2:30pm ET
- January kicks off [National Day at Your State Capitol \(NDAYSC\)](#) month!
 - While you may not be able to visit your state capitol in person this year, there are still ways to be involved from home! Start by looking up your elected representatives at the local, state, and federal levels by your ZIP code.
 - Take action and learn about current legislation impacting audiology on [Congress.gov](#).
 - Find tips for writing to your legislators and elected officials about important audiology issues on the [SAA website](#).
- [Alabama Academy of Audiology 2021 Convention](#)
 - The 2021 ALAA conference is scheduled for September 23-24, 2021 at the Sandestin Hilton.

Happy New Year!!



Local Chapter Updates Auburn University

- Auburn's SAA chapter hosted an open house via Zoom for all undergraduate students interested in Auburn's AuD program. This included a presentation, a Q&A session, and a student panel!
- Auburn's SAA chapter also partnered with the University of Tennessee to compete in a food drive for local food banks. More to come with upcoming events in Auburn's SAA chapter this semester!

University of South Alabama

- South Alabama will be holding elections for its new SAA executive board for the 2021-2022 year in January. More updates to come!

