

# Communication Consultants

A Speech-Language Therapy Group

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*A group of warm and caring professionals dedicated to maximizing your child's speech and language development.*

- **Modern therapeutic techniques**
- **Standard of excellence**
- **High success rate**
- **Providing services in the South Florida Jewish community since 1997**

Speech and hearing screenings for Rohr Middle School students will take place on September.

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Typically, children do not outgrow communication disorders; therefore, identification and treatment are essential.

COMMON COMMUNICATION DISORDERS ARE FOUND IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- **ARTICULATION – production of speech sounds**  
*i.e. lisps and other distortions of sounds*
- **RECEPTIVE LANGUAGE – ability to understand language**  
*i.e. meaning of words, following directions, listening to stories and answering questions, language and **auditory processing***
- **EXPRESSIVE LANGUAGE – ability to formulate language**  
*i.e. having age-appropriate vocabulary, using correct grammatical markers and being able to formulate various types of sentences*
- **SOCIAL SKILLS – pragmatic language**  
*i.e. eye contact, turn-taking, conversational skills individual and group sessions*
- **FLUENCY – rhythm of speech**  
*i.e. stuttering*
- **VOICE – quality of speech**  
*i.e. vocal hoarseness*

**At the middle school level, when boys are approaching Bar Mitzvah and adulthood, it is imperative that these skills be developed fully.**

#### About Shifra Sharfman, Director of Communication Consultants

- Licensed and certified speech-language pathologist specializing in pediatrics.
- Over 2 decades of clinical experience treating articulation, language, social skills, voice, fluency and processing disorders.
- Serving the South Florida Jewish Community since 1997.
- Past instructor, Speech-Language Therapy Department, Touro College South
- Member, American Speech Language Hearing Association
- PROMPT trained therapist