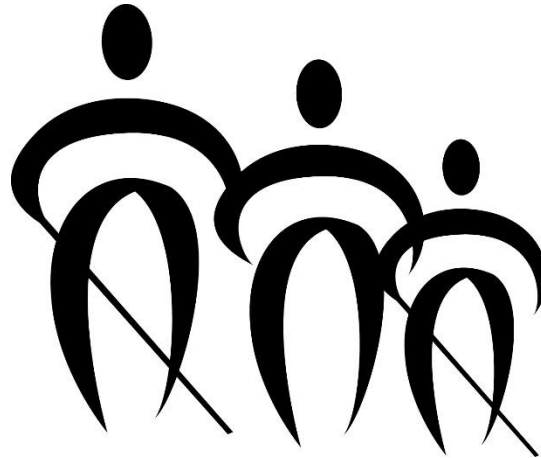


NOPBC

National Organization of Parents of Blind Children

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Presents



Reach for the Stars:

Setting High Expectations for Our Blind Children

The 2023 National Conference for Parents and Teachers

National Federation of the Blind

National Convention

July 1 – 6, 2023

The Hilton Americas-Houston

Houston, TX

WELCOME TO THE 2023 NOPBC CONFERENCE!

* Insider Information *

The NFB National Convention is a complicated week of events, so we've prepared these tips to help you stay organized & make the most of your convention experience.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The NOPBC Conference, NFB Convention, & NFB Child Care each have separate registration and fees. For our special hotel rate, be sure to register for the NFB Convention in addition to the NOPBC Conference.

NOPBC Conference Online Registration: <https://nopbc.org/civicrm/event/register?reset=1&id=2>

Onsite Registration: Saturday, July 1, 7:30 – 8:45 AM, outside Room 335 A, Hilton Americas-Houston. Online registration will remain open throughout the NFB Convention. Please register both adults and children (FREE for children 18 and under).

All registered blind children, 21 and under, whose parent/guardian is also registered for the NOPBC conference, will be **eligible for the Megan Bening Memorial Fund Technology Giveaway** which takes place at 12:00 noon Monday, July 3, before the Exhibitor Fair and Annual Meeting. Tickets will be distributed at onsite registration.

Youth Track Online Registration:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd3spGYVOBM8zJGIwToRWBp9w7ZbFxnSJ77gkaLOvxDQ619TQ/viewform> **Onsite Registration:** Sat., July 1, 7:30 – 10:45 outside Room 332. Be sure to pick up a Youth Track agenda for times & places of the week's activities.

NFB Convention Registration: Sat., 7/1 at 9 AM in the pre-function area outside Lanier Grand Ballroom. Sun., 7/2 at 9 AM and at other times during the week, at the Level 4 registration desk near elevators nearest the convention center. See the NFB agenda for further details.

NFB Child Care requires preregistration, but you can see if space is still available by visiting the Child Care room 337 A. Check in your child at Child Care early on Seminar Day & then return with your child to the Seminar for Kid Talk with NFB President Mark Riccobono.

SEMINAR DAY INFORMATION—Saturday, JULY 1

On Seminar Day, Saturday, July 1, get to registration early!

Adults and children are invited to start the morning together at 9 AM at the Reach for the Stars: Raising Expectations for Our Blind Children Seminar, where children and youth will have the opportunity to chat with NFB President Mark Riccobono. At the end of this session (10:30 AM), children who are preregistered and checked in with NFB Child Care will be escorted to the Child Care rooms. If your child is not checked in, you will have to check in after our session and then return for workshops.

At the lunch break after Workshop Session I, pick up your child from child care and meet up with your teen for lunch on your own.

After lunch—more workshops for adults. Drop kids off at Child Care & Youth Track.

In the evening, our **40th Anniversary Celebration:** The National Organization of Parents of Blind Children has been helping families for forty years! Please join us for cupcakes and conversation, viewing tech giveaway items (see below), and a close-up view of the new Monarch technology.

THE MEGAN BENING MEMORIAL FUND TECHNOLOGY GIVEAWAY & ANGEL PINS

In loving memory of Megan Bening, the Megan Bening Memorial Fund Technology Giveaway for blind children will take place in Room 340 A & B, at 12 noon on Monday, July 3, right before our Exhibitor Fair and Annual Meeting. To be eligible for the drawing, the blind child must be 21 or younger, must be registered for the NOPBC conference, and must have a parent/guardian registered for the NOPBC conference. Each eligible child will receive 3 tickets for a chance to win. **View items and put in tickets at the 40th Anniversary Celebration (see above).** Over \$15,000 worth of technology will be given away! No more than one prize per person. Must be present to win. View tech items at <https://nopbc.org/sites/nopbc.org/files/2023-06/2023MBMFTechGiveawayFlyer.pdf>. Pick up tickets at NOPBC Conference Registration (see Registration Info, above). If you miss registration, contact Jean Bening at 507-380-9115 at the Conference BEFORE THE DRAWING! Support the Fund by purchasing an Angel Pin!

CHILD CARE INFORMATION & ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

NFB Child Care (aka NFB Camp) is in rooms 337 A, for children 6 weeks - 12 years old. Child Care is open each day except Sunday, July 2. Child Care is also open on Banquet night, Thursday, July 6. Children must be registered to attend.

NFB Child Care requires preregistration. You can try to register onsite, by going to NFB Child Care rooms and seeing if any spaces are left. Child Care schedule appears toward end of this agenda.

If your child is in Youth Track, please pick up a Youth Track agenda at registration or at sessions. Pick up your teen promptly at the end of Youth Track sessions or plan to meet elsewhere.

In addition to Youth Track, children and youth might enjoy the Cane Walk and activities of the National Association of Blind Students (NABS). Schedules appear toward the end of this agenda.

SPECIAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES ALL WEEK LONG

Details for certain special NOPBC activities for parents, children, and youth **are listed only in this agenda, so keep this agenda throughout the week.**

Other activities that you & your child might enjoy are listed in the NFB Convention agenda (this is a separate document). Pick it up at Convention registration or in advance at <https://nfb.org/get-involved/national-convention/2023-national-convention-agenda>.

Read both agendas to be aware of all events!

A sampling of the week's activities:

- All the NOPBC parent & teacher events in this agenda, including IEP Night, Wed., July 5
- NFB Convention sessions: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, July 4 – 6
- Tactile art & picture books, talent show, audio-described movie, cooking, music shows, tech demos, training center open houses, career fair, what's new in Braille, legislation & advocacy updates, social security info, state caucuses, & more!
- NFB Division & Group activities: Blind Students, Deaf-Blind, Sports and Recreation, Crafts, Performing Arts, Multiple Disabilities, Community Service, Guide Dog Users, Employment Committee, Educators, Lawyers, Scientists, Engineers, Technology Evaluation, Computer Scientists, AT Trainers, Writers, culture & religious groups, and more. Open to all!
- The Independence Market
- Our incomparable Exhibit Hall: The latest technology and other items of interest!
- The Banquet and scholarship presentations Thursday evening, July 6; ask your state NFB president about the ticket exchange

EXPRESSING OUR APPRECIATION

The NOPBC offers a special thank you to Amy Porterfield of SAAVI Services for the Blind who has worked tirelessly over the past months to provide fun and creative activities for our youth at this year's convention. We appreciate building partnerships with those who believe that you can live the life you want; blindness is not what holds you back.

Of course, the NOPBC conference would not be possible without the collective power of the NOPBC Board! These volunteers—Carla Keirns, Cassandra/Cassie McKinney, Casey West Robertson, Carol Castellano, Sandra Oliver, Jackie Anderson, Amira Assad-Lucas, Cindy Champagne, Emily Gindlesperger, Jeanette Jones, Sarah Kassim, Maura Kutnyak, Tabby Mitchell, Ashleigh Moon, president emerita Barbara Cheadle, and our assistant Serena Cucco, along with former board members Carlton Walker, Penny Duffy, and Melissa Riccobono who came out of retirement to help us—have spent hundreds of hours planning this conference, all while still caring for their families and working at their jobs. They truly live their commitment to helping other families, changing what it means to be blind, and enabling our children to live the lives they want!

And a BIG THANK YOU to APH for sponsoring our 40th Anniversary Celebration!

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Reach for the Stars: Setting High Expectations for Our Blind Children

2023 National Seminar and Conference for Parents & Teachers

SATURDAY, JULY 1

Room 335 A, Hilton Americas-Houston

7:30 - 8:45 AM REGISTRATIONS Outside Rooms 335 A and 332

9:00 AM - 12:15 PM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)
Room 332 **Games and Prizes! Intro to the Convention & Youth Track**
See separate Youth Track agenda for activity details. Amy Porterfield, NOPBC
Youth Track Coordinator; Director, SAAVI Services for the Blind

9:00 AM WELCOME TO THE SEMINAR!

Carla Keirns, President, National Organization of Parents of Blind Children

9:05 AM KID TALK

Mark Riccobono, President, National Federation of the Blind
Children are invited to join President Riccobono at the front of the room.

9:25 AM NOPBC PRESIDENTIAL REPORT: REACH FOR THE STARS

Carla Keirns, President, NOPBC

9:40 AM NOPBC TWIG AWARDS

Carol Castellano, Secretary, NOPBC; Moderator

9:50 AM EUREKA! IT ALL MATTERS!

Cary Supalo, Research Developer, ETS; Chemist

10:10 AM STUDENTS REACH FOR THE STARS

Emerie Mitchell-Butler, Kalaheo HS, HI; **Aunya Anderson**, Southern Adventist
University, TN

10:25 AM ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:30 AM END of OPENING SESSION

*Children preregistered and checked in with NFB Child Care will be escorted to the
child care rooms. Parents attend workshops listed next page.*

NOPBC Concurrent Workshops Session I next page

Saturday, July 1, 2023 continued

10:45 AM - Noon NOPBC CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION I

Parents & teachers are invited to attend.

Monarch—The Future of Braille Textbooks and Tactile Graphics

Room 338

Meet Monarch, the device that displays Braille and tactile graphics, brings e-book features and function, such as jumping to a specific page or chapter, to Braille readers. APH, Humanware, and the NFB partnered to create Monarch, which can receive digital textbook files, thus reducing time to fingertips, for faster, equitable access to information for our students. Instructors: Joe Hodge, Quality Assurance Lead, APH; Peter Tucic, Brand Ambassador for Blindness, Humanware.

From Eye Diagnosis to Education Plan

Room 327

From all the new medical terms to the alphabet soup of the early intervention and education worlds, parents have a lot to learn when they find out that their child is blind or low vision. This session will help you navigate through the systems and get on the path to setting up a solid education plan for your child as early as possible. Instructors: Carla Keirns, MD, Assoc. Professor, University of Kansas; President, NOPBC; Cindy Champagne, TBS, EI Specialist; Board Member, NOPBC.

Age-Appropriate Independence

Room 328

Is it realistic to have age-appropriate (or stage-appropriate) expectations for our blind kids? Can they really be expected to do the same things that other children do at home and at school? Join us to see how you can figure out where your child is on the road to independence and how you can tell if anything is holding your child back. Instructor: Carol Castellano, Author; Secretary, NOPBC.

Job & Career Options When College Is Not Right for Your Child

Room 335 A

The emphasis always seems to be on college. What if your child is not planning to attend? Come explore some alternative possibilities. Instructor: David DeNotaris, Chief Innovations Officer, Sky's the Limit Communications.

12:15 - 1:30 PM Lunch on your own. Please pick up children & meet up with teens promptly.

Saturday, July 1 2023 continued

1:30 – 5:00 PM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 – 18)
 Room 332 **We've Got Those Moves** **What Are Soft Skills** **Careers**
 See separate Youth Track agenda for activity details.

1:45 – 3:00 PM NOPBC CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION II
 Parents & teachers are invited to attend.

Let's Have Some Fun!

Room 335 A

Do you have a child who loves to play? Do you have a child who doesn't know how? This session will give you ideas and tips on encouraging your child to explore, have fun, and play, along with information on how play is essential to your child's growth and development, and what to do if your child seems stuck. Instructor: Krystal Guillory, TBS, Early Interventionist.

Independent Movement & Travel: From the Play Room to the Board Room
 Room 327

The ability to move safely and independently from place to place is a fundamental skill for home, school, and community life. Come learn about appropriate expectations, useful techniques, available assessments, and the Structured Discovery Method of cane travel to keep your child making progress. Instructor: Roland Allen, NOMC, Cane Travel Instructor.

Preparing to Launch: Getting Ready for the Next Step in Independence
 Room 328

Is your child ready for the next step in independence? Are you? Join us for a fun and interesting discussion of real-life fears and victories in areas like independent travel, social life, self-advocacy, and living skills. Instructors: David DeNotaris, Chief Innovations Officer, Sky's the Limit Communications, and Carol Castellano, Author, Secretary, NOPBC.

From Screwdrivers to Rocket Launches: Success in STEM Begins with You!
 Room 338

How can you support your blind child's success in science, technology, engineering, and math? By using every day skills and activities along with the new NFB STEM Learning Toolkit for Parents for children of all ages and skill levels, and NFB EQ for Teachers: A Nonvisual & Accessible Engineering Curriculum. Instructor: Ashleigh Moon, STEM Access Consultant; Board Member, NOPBC.

Saturday, July 1, 2023 continued

3:15 - 4:30 PM NOPBC CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION III

Parents & teachers are invited to attend.

Livin' the Low-Vision Life

Room 335 A

Are people with low vision really caught between two worlds? Does it make sense to rely mostly on eyesight or are there times that a nonvisual technique would be better? Is it possible to provide an environment in which your child can develop a whole, undivided, healthy identity, free from sighted bias? Come and find out!

Instructors: Barbara Cheadle, President Emerita, NOPBC; Cassandra McNabb McKinney, 1st VP, NOPBC.

Getting a Full Education for Your Child with Additional Disabilities

Room 327

Every blind/low vision child, including those with additional disabilities, deserves and has a right to a full education, encompassing literacy, mobility, technology, and all the other elements of a full education. Come learn how you can determine what your child needs and advocate for appropriate teaching and services.

Instructor: Cindy Champagne, TBS, EI Specialist, Board Member, NOPBC.

Hands-On Sports & Recreation with Mentors in the Federation

Room 346 B

Come have some hands-on fun working with adaptive sports equipment and connecting with blind athletes. Get information on sports and recreation programs and activities, see demo's of guide running, learn about goalball,

beepball, and blind soccer, and much more! Instructors: NFB Sports & Recreation Division Leaders.

Tactile Exploration of STEM Materials

Room 338

In this hands-on workshop, participants will experience astronomy concepts nonvisually through models, objects, and two new NASA tactile books. You'll navigate tactile science books via QR code, gain information about 2023 and 2024 eclipses, and discuss the effects of light pollution on observing the night sky.

Participants will receive complimentary copies of the books. No science background is needed to benefit from the presentation. Instructor: Dr. David Hurd, Planetarium Director and Professor of Geosciences, Pennsylvania Western University at Edinboro.

Saturday, July 1, 2023 continued

5:00 PM If you are meeting your child at Youth Track, please do so **PROMPTLY!**

By 5:30 PM Please pick up your children from Child Care **PROMPTLY!**

Plan an early or late dinner so that you can make it to our **40th Anniversary Celebration.**

7:00 - 8:30 PM NOPBC 40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Lanier Grand Ballroom J

Please join us for anniversary cupcakes, celebrating the first 40 years of helping families and teachers! Relax, chat, meet new families and teachers, and connect with old friends. We'll have table games available to play and a demonstration of the new Monarch technology. Put your tickets in for the Megan Bening Memorial Technology Fund Giveaway!

8:30 - 10:30 PM NABS STUDENT NETWORKING (more geared to 14 & up)

Lanier Grand Ballroom K

Blind students, kick off your in-person convention right by joining our national student division to mix and mingle. Whether you are new or returning, we can't wait to welcome you! Trisha Kulkarni, President

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023

Child Care is CLOSED on this day.

Register for the NFB Convention, purchase your Banquet tickets, visit the Exhibit Hall, Independence Market, and Presidential Suite. Participate in a Cane Walk. Check the NFB agenda for other interesting activities going on today such as tactile art and picture books, cooking, culture groups, blindness center open houses, tech access, legislative info, Braille issues, career fair, crafting, Resolutions Committee, Social Security, Mock Trial, discrimination attorney meetings.

8:45 AM- 10:30 AM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)

Boardroom 331 **Cane Walk** Youth Track participants are welcome to join in.

8:45 AM- 10:30 AM CANE WALK SESSION I

Boardroom 331

Wondering if your child should use a cane? Curious about how a cane works? Learn and experience the Structured Discovery Method of travel at these special workshops (not listed in NFB agenda). Parents, teachers, blind/VI children, and sighted siblings are welcome. Instructor: Jeff Altman, NOMCT, CVRCB

11:00 AM- 12:30 PM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)

Room 332 **Fun with STEM** See separate Youth Track agenda for activity details.

11:00 AM- 12:45 PM CANE WALK SESSION II

Boardroom 331 See description above.

4:00 - 5:30 PM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)

Room 332 **Resolutions Explained**

See separate Youth Track agenda for activity details.

6:00 - 10:00 PM NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLIND STUDENTS (NABS) ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING (more geared to 14 & up)

Lanier Grand Ballroom K & L

Registration at 6:00; programming at 7:00. See NFB agenda for details.

7:00 - 8:00 PM NOPBC PARENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM—PLP Part I

Room 342

Has the NOPBC helped you and your family? Would you like to get more involved? Come learn about leadership opportunities in your state and nationally. Carol Castellano, PLP Coordinator; Secretary, NOPBC.

MONDAY, JULY 3, 2023

Child Care is open in the morning and afternoon. Drop younger children off at Child Care in the morning or take them with you for a visit to the Exhibit Hall and the Independence Market. Consider attending the NFB Board Meeting—it's open to all.

In the afternoon, eat lunch early then come with your child to the Megan Bening Memorial Fund Technology Giveaway! Then drop your kids off early at child care or Youth Track and come to the NOPBC Annual Meeting and our Exhibitor Fair!

12:00 PM Megan Bening Memorial Fund Technology Giveaway

Room 340 A & B

In loving memory of Megan Bening, the Megan Bening Memorial Fund Technology Giveaway will distribute over \$15,000 of technology at this event! To be eligible, the blind child must be 21 or younger, must be registered for the NOPBC conference, must have a parent/guardian registered for the NOPBC conference and must have placed tickets into item containers. No more than one prize per person. Must be present to win. View this year's technology items at:

<https://nopbc.org/sites/nopbc.org/files/2023-06/2023MBMFTechGiveawayFlyer.pdf>

12:45 PM CHILD CARE WILL BE OPEN EARLY ON THIS AFTERNOON

Room 337 A

Drop your child off early at child care on this day so that you can *attend the NOPBC Annual Meeting & Exhibitor Fair* which begin at 1 PM.

1:00 - 4:00 PM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)

Room 332 Exhibit Hall Challenge

See separate Youth Track agenda for activity details.

1:00 - 4:00 PM REACH FOR THE STARS: OPTIONS & OPPORTUNITIES

Annual Meeting—National Organization of Parents of Blind Children—NOPBC

Room 340 A & B

1:00 - 2:00 PM NOPBC EXHIBITOR FAIR

See the latest in materials and equipment to enhance your child's success.

2:00 - 4:00 PM NOPBC ANNUAL MEETING

Parents and teachers, be sure to attend the NOPBC Annual Meeting! Updates on NFB programs, initiatives, and opportunities for kids; presentation by the 2023 Distinguished Educator of Blind Children; hear from blind kids; Parent Power; NOPBC business, elections, and more! Don't miss it! **Bonus:** attendees receive priority entrance ticket to the Braille Book Fair! Families with blind children enter at 4:30; others with ticket get priority entrance at 5:00 PM.

Monday, July 3, 2023 continued

4:30 - 6:30 PM BRAILLE BOOK FAIR

Lanier Grand Ballroom K & L

4:30 - 5:00 Blind child 18 & younger only book choosing

5:00 - 6:30 Open to all; NOPBC annual meeting ticket holders go in first

A book lover's dream! Browse tables of **free** new and used Braille and print/Braille books. Due to high demand, **print/Braille books will be limited to 5 per blind child present and 3 per teacher**. Restrictions may be eased depending on supply available. Volunteers will box your books and deliver them to the post office for Free Matter shipment to your home. Donations are gratefully accepted to help support our Braille Programs. Coordinators: Krystal Guillory, TBS; State Coordinator, NFB BELL Academy of Louisiana; Sandra Oliver, Treasurer, NOPBC.

7:00 PM DAD'S NIGHT OUT

Call Jordan Moon at 951-316-5363 for location.

TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2023

7:30 AM NOPBC BOARD MEETING

Room 342

Open to all. Please note: this is a *MORNING* meeting.

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM NFB CONVENTION OPENING SESSION!

Lanier Grand Ballroom A-I

Be there for the bang of the gavel and the roar of the crowd! NFB general sessions take place all day Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Be sure to check the NFB Convention agenda for the many interesting and important program items that you won't want to miss. Many additional events and meetings take place before the morning session, at lunchtime, and in the evenings. See the NFB Convention Agenda for details.

2:00 - 5:00 PM NFB GENERAL SESSION

Lanier Grand Ballroom A-I

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details.

5:30 - 6:30 PM NOPBC PARENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM—PLP Part II

Room 342

Has the NOPBC helped you and your family? Would you like to get more involved? Come learn about leadership opportunities in your state and nationally. Carol Castellano, PLP Coordinator; Secretary, NOPBC

7:00 - 9:00 PM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)

Room 332 **Game Night**

See separate Youth Track agenda for activity details.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM NFB GENERAL SESSION

Lanier Grand Ballroom A-I

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details.

12:30 - 1:45 PM NOPBC BRAINSTORMING SESSION

Room 339 A

Come share your ideas with us. What worked at this convention? What would you like to see next year? What resources would help us stay connected throughout the year? Join in this valuable conversation. Carla Keirns, President, NOPBC

2:00 - 5:00 PM NFB GENERAL SESSION

Lanier Grand Ballroom A-I

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details.

7:00 - 10:00 PM NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)

Room 332 **Wrapping Up—Philosophy, Unconventional Convention Scavenger Hunt**

7:00 - 10:00 PM NOPBC CRAFTS & GAMES NIGHT (ages 5 - 12)

Room 329

Please Note: This activity is available ONLY for children whose parents are attending NOPBC evening workshops.

7:00 - 9:45 PM NOPBC IEP WORKSHOPS

Room 330

7:00 - 8:15 PM **Why, What, & How to Document in the IEP Process**

We've all heard the expression, "If it's not in writing, it didn't happen." This is definitely true in the IEP process, especially if problems arise. At this session you'll get expert advice on how to document the process with the goal of getting to the best education plan for your child. Instructor: Casey Robertson, Ed.S, Faculty Professional Development and Research Institute on Blindness.

8:30 - 9:45 **Assessment-Powered Advocacy in the IEP Process**

Come learn about fair, unbiased assessments and how to harness their power to work toward the best education plan for your child. Instructor: Carlton Walker, JD, TBS, former President, NOPBC; Educational Advocate and Consultant, Blindness Education and Advocacy Resources (BEAR)

THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2023

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM NFB GENERAL SESSION

Lanier Grand Ballroom A-I

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details.

2:00 - 5:00 PM NFB GENERAL SESSION

Lanier Grand Ballroom A-I

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details.

7:00 PM BANQUET

Lanier Grand Ballroom A-I

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details.

NFB CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

For children 6 weeks to 12 years. Child must be registered with Child Care. Please pick up your child promptly! Room 337 A

Sat., July 1 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM and 1:30 to 5:30 PM

Sun., July 2 Closed

Mon., July 3 8:30 AM to noon and 12:45 to 5:30 PM

NOTE: Drop your child off at 12:45 so you can get to our Annual Meeting & Exhibitor Fair on time (1:00 PM)

Tues., July 4 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM and 1:30 to 5:30 PM

Wed., July 5 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM and 1:30 to 5:30 PM

Thurs., July 6 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM and 1:30 to 5:30 PM

Banquet 6:30 PM to 30 minutes after the banquet ends

YOUTH ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE (ages 11 - 18)

Please see Youth Track agenda for activity details

SAT., JULY 1

9:00 AM - 12:15 PM Youth Track
 1:30 - 5:00 PM Youth Track
 7:00 - 8:30 PM NOPBC 40th Anniversary Celebration
 8:30 - 10:30 PM NABS Student Networking (more for 14 & up)

SUN., JULY 2

8:45 - 10:30 AM Cane Walk Sessions
 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Youth Track
 4:00 - 5:30 PM Youth Track
 6:00 - 10:00 PM NABS Meeting (geared more toward 14 & up)

MON., JULY 3

9:00 - 11:30 AM NFB Board of Directors meeting—open to all
 1:00 - 4:00 PM Youth Track
 5:00 - 6:30 PM Braille Book Fair

TUE., JULY 4

7:00 - 9:00 PM Youth Track

WED., JULY 5

7:00 - 10:00 PM Youth Track

NOPBC 2023 CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

SATURDAY, JULY 1

7:30 - 8:45 AM	NOPBC Seminar & Youth Track Registrations Be sure to pick up all agendas!
9:00 AM - 12:15 PM	Youth Track (ages 11-18)
9:00 - 10:30 AM	NOPBC Reach for the Stars Seminar General Session (Adults & Children)
10:30 AM	Preregistered children are escorted to Child Care
10:45 AM - Noon	NOPBC Concurrent Workshop Session I
12:15 - 1:30 PM	Lunch on your own - Feed your kids
1:30 PM	Child care reopens
1:30 - 5:00 PM	Youth Track (ages 11 - 18)
1:45 - 3:00 PM	NOPBC Concurrent Workshop Session II
3:15 - 4:30 PM	NOPBC Concurrent Workshop Session III
7:00 - 8:30 PM	NOPBC 40 th Anniversary Celebration
8:30 - 10:30 PM	NABS Student Networking (ages 14 - 18)

SUNDAY, JULY 2

Child care closed

8:45 - 10:30 AM	Cane Walk Session I (Adults, Children, Youth)
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Youth Track (ages 11 - 18)
11:00 AM - 12:45 PM	Cane Walk Session II (Adults, Children, Youth)
4:00 - 5:30 PM	Youth Track (ages 11-18)
7:00 - 8:00 PM	NOPBC Parent Leadership Program Part I

MONDAY, JULY 3

12:00 PM	Megan Bening Memorial Fund Technology Giveaway
12:45 PM	Child care will be open early on this afternoon
1:00 - 4:00 PM	Youth Track (ages 11 - 18)
1:00 - 4:00 PM	NOPBC Annual Meeting & Exhibitor Fair--Drop your child off at 12:45 in Child Care this PM in order to get to the meeting on time
4:30 - 6:30 PM	Braille Book Fair 4:30 - 5:00—Blind children book choosing 5:00—Book Fair open to all
7:00 PM	Dad's Night Out

TUESDAY, JULY 4

7:30 AM	NOPBC Board Meeting
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	NFB Opening Session
2:00 - 5:00 PM	NFB General Session
5:30 - 6:30 PM	NOPBC Parent Leadership Program Part II

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	NFB General Session
12:30 - 1:45 PM	NOPBC Brainstorming
2:00 - 5:00 PM	NFB General Session
7:00 - 9:45 PM	NOPBC IEP Workshops
7:00 - 10:00 PM	NOPBC Children's Activity (ages 5 - 12) for children whose parents are in the NOPBC IEP workshops
7:00 - 10:00 PM	Youth Track (ages 11-18)

THURSDAY, JULY 6

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	NFB General Session
2:00 - 5:00 PM	NFB General Session
7:00 PM	Banquet