# **National Federation of the Blind of Louisiana**

# **2024 State Convention**

# **Louisiana Parents of Blind Children**

## **Friday, April 19, 2024**

### **1:00-4:00 PM Stem2U (K-12th Grade Students) in Mississippi Delta**

* STEM Activities for VI/blind children who have pre-registered through NFB

**1:00-4:00 PM Helping Your Student Bring Home the Gold
(Parents and Teachers) in Premier 3**

* Technology that Empowers by Treva Olivero
* Promoting Independence in Movement by Roland Allen

**4:00-6:45 PM NFBL Registration Packet Pick-Up and/or Dinner**

**6:45-7:00 PM LPOBC Registration and Resource Packet Building**

**7:00-8:30 PM LPOBC Parent Power Track (Parents) in Premier 3**

* Welcome & Board Introductions, Housekeeping—Alison Tarver, LPOBC President; Pam Allen, NFBL President; Adelmo Vigil, NFB Board Member
* How I Found the NFB and Why I Stayed—Alison Tarver
* Saturday Club—Mindy Lavern
* NFB Early Childhood Initiatives and Early Steps—Cindy Champagne
* Summer Opportunities—NFB BELL Academy, Kristen Sims and STEAM, Rosy Carranza
* State Library of Louisiana—Charlene Moore, Children’s Librarian
* GUMBO Games—Alison Tarver
* State Updates, Conferences, Braille Challenge, and Resources—Robin King

**7:00-8:45 PM Accessible Games (Students) in Premier 3**

**8:45-10:00 PM Showcase of Talent and NFBL Auction in Cypress II**

## **Saturday, April 20, 2024 LPOBC Parent Power Track in Premier 3**

### **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Hearing from the Voices of Experience**

* Narjis Karimipour, Strider Lavern, Rachel Grider, and Kia Vaca
(Moderated by: Jessica Turner)

### **12:00 PM – 12:50 PM Grab Your Lunch and Join Us for Networking and Games**

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**1:00 PM – 1:15 PM LPOBC Board Meeting and Elections**

### **1:15 PM - 2:30 PM Get in the Rotation: Skill Building with Your Child**

### **Cracking the Code: Braille Reading Skills** with Amber and Andrea

* **Sharing the Code: Braille Writing** with Mindy
* **From Wiggles to Running: Orientation and Mobility** **Skills** with Kristen
* **Tackling the Day: Adapted Living Skills** with Sarah and Jessica
* **Let’s Play: Early Childhood Strategies** with Cindy

**3:00 Return to General Sessions**