

# **NOPBC**

**National Organization of Parents of Blind Children**

*A division of the National Federation of the Blind*

*Presents*



## **Crafting Your Diamond:**

*The 4Cs of Bringing Up Blind Children*

**The 2015 National Conference for Parents and Teachers**

**At the Diamond Anniversary National Convention of the  
National Federation of the Blind**

**July 5 – 10, 2015**

**Rosen Centre Hotel**

**Orlando, FL**

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# WELCOME TO THE 2015 NOPBC CONFERENCE!

## *\* Insider Information \**

*The NFB National Convention is a complicated week of events. This important information can help you stay organized and take advantage of the many opportunities that will be available. The NOPBC Conference takes place within the larger NFB convention. The NOPBC conference, the NFB convention, & NFB Child Care have separate registration & fees. In addition to registering for the NOPBC conference, it's important to register for the NFB convention so that you receive our special hotel room rates.*

### **INFORMAL TRIP DAY—SATURDAY, JULY 4**

- We'll meet informally in the hotel lobby at 1 PM for a trip to WonderWorks, an interactive indoor amusement park, a short distance from the hotel. All are invited. Adults—\$26.99+tax. Seniors 55 & up and Children 4-12 —\$20.99+tax. Children 3 & under—free. Any person with a disability—1/2 off!

### **SEMINAR DAY INFORMATION—SUNDAY, JULY 5**

- On Seminar Day, Sun., July 5, adults, children, and youth are invited to start the morning together at the Crafting Your Diamond Seminar, where children will have the opportunity to chat with NFB President Mark Riccobono. At the end of the general session (10:45 AM) children preregistered with NFB child care will be escorted to the Music & Movement activity and youth 11-18 will be escorted to the Youth Track activity, while adults attend workshops. At the lunch break, pick up your child from child care for lunch on your own. After lunch there will be workshops for adults, a children's activity in child care, and Youth Track activities.
- Save your registration badge for free admission to NOPBC Family Hospitality following the Seminar.

### **ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH, CHILD CARE INFORMATION**

- NOPBC daytime children's activities take place in NFB Child Care—Salons 21-24, Level 2. *To take part in an activity, your child must be registered for child care for that day.* To register for NFB child care, also called NFB Camp, visit [www.nfb.org](http://www.nfb.org) and click on National Convention. To register at the convention, go to the child care rooms and see if there are any spaces left.
- Child care is provided by the NFB for children 6 weeks to 12 years old each day except Monday, July 6. Child care is also available on Banquet night, Friday, July 10. Children must be registered to attend. The child care schedule appears toward the end of this agenda.
- Other activities for children and youth include the NABS Social, Cane Walk, Youth Style Show, and the Breaking Barriers Funathlon, Youth Track activities, & the Tween Room, open for chaperoned, informal activities and snacks at various times during the week. Schedules appear toward the end of this agenda.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES ALL WEEK LONG**

- Certain special NOPBC activities for parents, children, and youth are listed **only in this agenda**—for ex., our Cane Walks, children's activities, and Tween Room.
- Other activities that you and your child might want to attend are listed in the NFB Convention agenda (this is a separate document). Please register for both the NOPBC Conference at [www.nopbc.org](http://www.nopbc.org) or by completing the paper form and the NFB Convention at [www.nfb.org](http://www.nfb.org) so that you will be aware of all that is going on.
- Many activities will be going on at the same time. You & your child will have to make choices! Read this NOPBC agenda as well as the NFB agenda so that you don't miss out! For example:
  - NFB Convention sessions Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday; Banquet Friday evening—be sure to do your ticket exchange—details in the NFB Convention agenda
  - Guinness World Record attempt, tactile art, Mock Trial, talent show, karaoke night, a play written and performed by blind people, training center open houses, tech demos, salsa dancing, Diamond Anniversary Ball
  - Activities of the Blind Students, Sports & Rec, Crafts, Performing Arts, Writers, Educators, Lawyers, Car Lovers, Computer Scientists, Guide Dog Users, Agriculture & Equestrian, Deaf-Blind, and more
  - Our incomparable Exhibit Hall—the latest technology and other items of interest
  - The Banquet and scholarship presentations

**National Organization of Parents of Blind Children**  
**CRAFTING YOUR DIAMOND**  
**2015 National Seminar and Conference for Parents & Teachers**

**SUNDAY, JULY 5**

**9:00 am - 4:45 pm**

*Morning Program—Junior Ballroom G, Level 1*  
*Workshops—Salons 5 - 8, & 13, Level 2*

**7:30 - 8:45 am REGISTRATION**

Parents, children, and youth are invited to start the morning together at the "Crafting Your Diamond" Seminar. At 10:45 a.m. children *preregistered with NFB Child Care* will be escorted to the children's activity in child care and youth 11-18 will be escorted to the Youth Track rooms. Save your NOPBC registration badge for free admission to Family Hospitality after the Seminar!

**9:00 am WELCOME**

**Carlton Anne Cook Walker**, President, NOPBC

**9:10 am KID TALK**

**Mark Riccobono**, President, National Federation of the Blind

**9:30 am POLISHING YOUR DIAMOND**

**Dr. Fred Schroeder**, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, World Blind Union

**9:50 am CRAFTING YOUR DIAMOND: THE 4 Cs OF BRINGING UP BLIND CHILDREN**

**Carlton Walker**, President, NOPBC

**10:10 am RABBETS, RASPS, & RIFFLERS: A Blind Man Works with Wood**

**Marcus Sands**, Woodworker

**10:20 am THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT**

**Sean Whalen**, Harvard Kennedy School & Harvard Law;

**Candice Chapman**, University of Minnesota

**10:45 am CHILDREN & YOUTH ARE ESCORTED TO ACTIVITIES**

**11:00 am - 12:15 pm NOPBC CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY (ages 5 - 12)**  
 in NFB Child Care, Salons 21-24, Level 2

**Music and Movement—Conchita Hernandez**, TBS

*To participate, child must be signed up for child care for this day.*

**11:00 am - 12:15 pm NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITY (ages 11 - 18)**  
 Salon 11, Level 2

**Ice Breakers—Garrick Scott**, President, NFB of GA

**A Dog in My Life—Merry Schoch**, Nat'l Assoc. of Guide Dog Users

**11:00 am -4:45 pm NOPBC WORKSHOPS for PARENTS & TEACHERS**

*Workshop times & descriptions on following pages*

*Sunday, July 5, 2015 continued*

**11:00 am - 12:15 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION I**

*Parents & teachers are invited to attend the NOPBC, PIBE, & Rehab workshops listed below.*

**Learn to Play & Play to Learn**

Salon 5, Level 2

Facilitating your child's learning and play. Instructor: Heather Field, Special Educator

**The ABCs of Braille**

Salon 6, Level 2

A hands-on workshop that will teach the beginning of Braille reading and writing. Instructor: Jamie Allison, Lead Instructor, NFB BELL in SC

**The National Reading Media Assessment (NRMA) & the National Orientation & Mobility Assessment (NOMA)**

Salon 7, Level 2

What's in these new, cutting edge assessments? Will they benefit your child? Instructors: Sheena Manuel, TBS, NOMC, Outreach Specialist, PDRIB; Casey Robertson, TBS, Faculty, PDRIB

**Using Readers**

Salon 8, Level 2

Learning the critical skill of using a human reader for academic and personal tasks. Instructor: Carol Castellano, Director of Programs, NOPBC

**Teacher-Made Tactile Graphics Using Readily Available Materials (PIBE)**

Salon 13, Level 2

Do you ever ask yourself "How am I going to make that?" Learn helpful strategies and techniques for commonly-encountered graphics. Feel free to bring along challenging examples for discussion. Instructor: Krystal Guillory, TBS, NCUEB

**12:15 - 2:00 pm LUNCH** on your own. Pick up children from Child Care.

**1:30 pm CHILD CARE REOPENS**

Salons 21 - 24, Level 2

**2:00 pm NOPBC CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY** (ages 5 - 12) in NFB Child Care Salons 21-24, Level 2

*To participate, child must be signed up for child care for this day.*

**Monsters and Me**—Ann Cunningham, Tactile Artist; Debbie Kent Stein, NFB of IL

*Sunday, July 5, 2015 continued*

**2:00 - 4:45 pm NOPBC YOUTH TRACK (ages 11 - 18)**

*Note: A 14-year-old can join the older or the younger group.*

**The Magic of Science**, Salon 12, Level 2

**2:00 - 3:00**—ages 11 - 14

**3:15 - 4:45**—ages 14 - 18

Dr. Cary Supalo, Independence Science; Robert Jaquiss, American Thermoform

**Fun & Games**, Salon 11, Level 2

**2:00 - 3:00**—ages 14 - 18

**3:15 - 4:45**—ages 11 - 14

Richard Gibbs, Owner, 64 Oz. Games

**2:00 - 3:15 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION II**

*Parents & teachers are invited to attend the NOPBC, PIBE, & Rehab workshops listed below.*

### **Ages & Stages**

Salon 5, Level 2

Facilitating the child's progress toward the next logical step in development. Instructor: Natalie Shaheen, Director of Education, NFB Jernigan Institute

### **Standardized Tests & Test Accommodations: What You Need to Know**

Salon 6, Level 2

What are the issues with Smarter Balanced and PARCC? What testing accommodations will work for your child's success? Instructors: Meghan Sidhu, General Counsel, NFB; Valerie Yingling, Paralegal, NFB; Carlton Walker, TBS, President, NOPBC

### **Independence Skills for Real Life**

Salon 7, Level 2

What skills does your child need for an independent future and how can you cultivate them? Instructors: Sean Whalen, Karen Anderson, Nat'l Association of Blind Students (NABS)

### **Technology: Home & School**

Salon 8, Level 2

What technology can your child use for independence and success at home and at school? Instructor: Eric Guillory, Director of Youth Services, Louisiana Center for the Blind

### **Structured Discovery Cane Travel Methods & Principles (PIBE/Rehab)**

Salon 16

Structured Discovery Cane Travel principles & techniques; one-to-one and small group lessons; how to become an O&M instructor; the National Orientation & Mobility Assessment; how to advocate for mobility services. Instructors: Jeff Altman, NOMC; Darick Williamson, NOMC

*Sunday, July 5, 2015 continued*

**2:00 - 3:15 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS *continued***

**Rehab Teaching and Access Technology**

Salon 17

A hands-on workshop to learn about Rehabilitation Teaching for the Blind, access technology, and consumer products. Hands-on lessons with iOS devices, Duxbury. Opportunity to ask novice, intermediate, or advanced computer questions of experts in the field. Instructors: Eric Guillory, President, PIBE; Jack Mendez, Director of Technology, LCB

**2:00-4:45 pm *PLEASE NOTE: This workshop runs for a double time period.***

**Unified English Braille: An Overview (PIBE)**

Salon 13, Level 2

The UEB implementation date is near. This workshop will present an overview of significant code changes so that you can be prepared to make the transition an easy one for your students. Instructors: PDRIB Staff

**3:30 - 4:45 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS SESSION III**

*Parents & teachers are invited to attend the NOPBC, PIBE, & Rehab workshops listed below.*

**Independent Movement & Travel for Very Young Children and Children with Additional Disabilities**

Salon 5, Level 2

Working toward maximum independence and self-determination for your child. Instructor: Denise Mackenstadt, NOMC

**Make-&-Take Graphics**

Salon 6, Level 2

Learn the basics of making tactile graphics for children and create one to take home. Instructor: Carlton Walker, TBS, President, NOPBC

**Independent Living Skills and Independent Movement & Travel for the School-Age Child**

Salon 7, Level 2

High expectations, real-life goals, and how to achieve them. Instructor: Kristen Sims, TBS, NOMC

*More workshops next page*

*Sunday, July 5, 2015 continued*

**3:30 - 4:45 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS *continued***

**Using College Disability Support Services (DSS)**

Salon 8, Level 2

How DSS offices provide accommodations and how to access and use them effectively without losing your independence. Instructors: Candice Chapman, Cody Bair, Derek Manners, NABS

**UEB Workshop *continues***

Salon 13, Level 2

**Structured Discovery Cane Travel Methods and Principles**

Salon 16

(Please see description from 2:00 pm session)

**Rehab Teaching and Access Technology**

Salon 17

(Please see description from 2:00 pm session)

**By 5:30 pm Pick up children from child care promptly!**

**5:30 - 7:00 pm NOPBC FAMILY HOSPITALITY**

Grand Ballroom B, Level 1

Relax, snack, chat, meet new families and teachers, and connect with old friends. Veteran attendees will be on hand to welcome you and provide information. Free admission with 2015 NOPBC Conference name badge; \$15/adult and \$5/child without badge. Pizza and lemonade will be served. Co-sponsored by Professionals in Blindness Education (PIBE).

**7:00 - 8:00 pm NOPBC FAMILY NETWORKING**

Grand Ballroom B, Level 1

At this meeting we especially welcome our families whose children have disabilities in addition to blindness/visual impairment. Come meet, chat, and network. Facilitators: Laura Bostick & Casey Robertson, Professional Development and Research Institute on Blindness (PDRIB)

**8:00 - 9:30 pm NOPBC BOARD MEETING**

Salon 13, Level 2

**8:00 pm to 11:00 pm NABS STUDENT SOCIAL (ages 14 - 18)**

Salon 11, Level 2

## MONDAY, JULY 6

**Child Care is CLOSED on this day.**

*Register for the NFB Convention, purchase your Banquet tickets, visit the Independence Market & Exhibit Hall. Check the NFB agenda for interesting meetings and activities such as the NOPBC Youth Style Show & NOPBC Funathlon, tactile art, tech groups, auto show, Mock Trial, blind musicians, Sports & Rec, Resolutions Committee, legislation, performing artists, student meeting.*

### **8:45 – 10:30 am CANE WALK Session I**

Room W202 C, Convention Center Level 2

### **11:00 am – 12:45 pm CANE WALK Session II**

Room W202 C, Convention Center Level 2

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

**11:00 am – 12:30 pm TWEEN ROOM OPEN (ages 11-14)** *Text or call Penny Duffy at 603-892-6355 for location. Feel free to bring your lunch.*

### **2:45 – 4:00 pm NOPBC YOUTH STYLE SHOW**

W202C, Convention Center, Level 2 (Rehearsal begins at 1:00 pm)

Our young blind models strut their stuff on the runway. A special invitation to our kids with additional disabilities. Enjoy the fashions and music and support NOPBC. \$5 at the door. Coordinator Kim Cunningham, VP, NOPBC, 713-501-9659

### **3:00 – 6:00 pm CAR SHOW**

Rosen Center Parking Garage, 1<sup>st</sup> Level

The NFB Automobile Enthusiasts invite children and youth accompanied by parents to visit this year's Car Show. Children will be given white gloves to wear so that they can examine the vehicles. Event may be photographed or filmed.

### **5:45 – 6:15 pm NOPBC BREAKING BARRIERS FUNATHLON**

Pool Area (in case of rain: Salon 11, Level 2) \$5 to participate

Kids of all ages will enjoy this exciting event. First is an inflatable obstacle course, then a maze of wet fun that puts cane skills to the test, then a race to the finish line while fighting off pool sharks! Sighted siblings can join the challenge by trying out their skills while wearing sleepshades! All participants receive a medal to acknowledge their accomplishment. Have fun & raise money for NOPBC by collecting pledges & donations—please bring pledge sheets and donations to event. Participation fee will be waived for those who raise \$100 or more. Coordinator: Jean Bening, NOPBC Board Member, 507-380-9115

### **7:30 – 9:30 pm PARENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM—PLP**

Salon 14, Level 2

Has the NOPBC helped you and your family? Would you like to get more involved? Come learn about leadership opportunities in your state. Coordinator: Carol Castellano, Director of Programs, NOPBC, 201-400-1101



## TUESDAY, JULY 7

*In the morning, visit the Exhibit Hall and the Independence Market; attend the NFB Board of Directors meeting—it's open to all. In the afternoon, drop the kids off at their activities and come to the NOPBC Annual Meeting!*

### 8:30 am CHILD CARE OPENS

Salons 21 - 24, Level 2

**NOPBC CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY** (ages 5-12) in NFB Child Care

Takes place during Child Care morning session.

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**Tinkering with Tools**—Dave Hutchins, Joe Naulty, Auto Enthusiasts Div.

10:00 - 10:45 am **NOPBC YOUTH TRACK** (ages 11 - 14)

11:00 - 11:45 am **NOPBC YOUTH TRACK** (ages 14 - 18)

W202A, Convention Center, Level 2

**Unleashing Your Inner Monster**, Ann Cunningham, Tactile Artist

12:30 pm **CHILD CARE WILL BE OPEN EARLY**—Salons 21 - 24, Level 2

Give your child lunch, then drop child off early at child care this afternoon—*so that you can attend the NOPBC Annual Meeting which begins at 1 pm.*

**NOPBC CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY** (ages 5-12) in NFB Child Care

**Fun & Games**—Richard Gibbs, Owner, 64 Oz. Games

Takes place during Child Care afternoon session.

*To participate, child must be signed up for child care for this day.*

1:00 - 4:00 pm **NOPBC YOUTH TRACK SESSION** (ages 11-18)

Salon 11, Level 2

**Student to Student**—National Association of Blind Students (NABS)

1:00 - 4:00 pm **NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS OF BLIND CHILDREN ANNUAL MEETING: OPTIONS & OPPORTUNITIES**

W202 C, Convention Center, Level 2

Attention parents and teachers! Be sure to attend this important meeting featuring talks by Federation leaders, an update from the NFB Jernigan Institute, the latest information on programs for kids; accessible textbooks, art, games, & technology; writing contest winners, Parent Power, Kid Power; NOPBC business, elections. *Special bonus: meeting attendees receive priority entrance ticket to Braille Book Fair!*

*Tuesday, July 7, 2015 continued*

**5:00 - 7:00 pm BRAILLE BOOK FAIR**

Executive Ballroom H, Level 1

To celebrate the NFB's 75th Anniversary, the American Action Fund has generously donated 750 print-Braille books to this year's Braille Book Fair! A book lover's dream! Browse new and used Braille and print/ Braille books. Volunteers will box your books and deliver them to the post office for Free Matter shipment to your home. Books are free; donations are encouraged to help support our Braille programs. Coordinator: Krystal Guillory, TBS; Coordinator, NFB of Louisiana BELL.

**7:30 - 9:00 pm DADS' NIGHT OUT**

All dads, sighted and blind, are welcome at this NOPBC-sponsored event. Call Bill Cucco at 201-602-6318 for location.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 8**

**7:00 am GUINNESS WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT**

Rosen Centre Rear Parking Lot

Join us as we raise expectations for blind people!

**9:00 am CHILD CARE OPENS—Salons 21 - 24, Level 2**

**NOPBC CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY** (ages 5-12) in NFB Child Care

Takes place during Child Care morning session.

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**Making Raised-Line Drawings—E.A.S.Y LLC Staff**

**9:30 - 12:00 pm NFB CONVENTION OPENING SESSION!**

Grand Ballroom, Level 1

Be there for the bang of the gavel and the roar of the crowd! See the NFB Convention Agenda for program details.

**12:15 - 1:45 pm TWEEN ROOM OPEN** (ages 11-14) *Text or call*

*Penny Duffy at 603-892-6355 for location. Feel free to bring your lunch.*

**2:00 - 5:00 pm NFB CONVENTION SESSION**

Grand Ballroom, Level 1

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details

***NOPBC Evening Workshops next page***

*Wednesday, July 8, 2015 continued*

**7:00 - 10:00 pm NOPBC CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY (ages 5 - 12)**  
*This activity is for children whose parents are attending NOPBC evening workshops.*

Salon 12, Level 2  
**Crafts & Games**

**7:00 - 10:00 pm NOPBC YOUTH TRACK ACTIVITIES (ages 11 - 18)**  
 Salon 11, Level 2

**Deal Me In: Learning Poker & Other Card Games**—Instructors:  
 Jason Polansky & Ben Schuler, LA Center for the Blind

**7:00 - 9:45 pm NOPBC CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS**

**7:00 - 8:15 pm IEP Workshop for Parents of Blind/VI Students**  
 Salon 13, Level 2

The basics of IEP development and how to be an active and effective participant. Instructor: Dan Frye, Executive Director, NJ Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

**7:00 - 8:15 pm Adopting a Blind/Visually Impaired Child**  
 Salon 14, Level 2

A look at the adoption process from initial considerations to real life at home from experienced adoptive parents. Instructors: Merry-Noel Chamberlain, TBS, NOMC, and Marty Chamberlain, Adoptive Parents, POBC of NE; Heather and John Fritz, Adoptive Parents, NFB of WI

**8:30 - 9:45 pm Staying Calm**  
 Salon 13, Level 2

How to get through an IEP meeting without raising your blood pressure and losing your cool and your mind! Instructor: Sharon Maneki, Advocate; President, NFB of MD

## THURSDAY, JULY 9

**7:00 - 8:30 am NOPBC BOARD MEETING**

Salon 14, Level 2

**8:30 am CHILD CARE OPENS**—Salons 21 - 24, Level 2

**NOPBC CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY** (ages 5-12) in NFB Child Care

Takes place during Child Care morning session.

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**Science Adventures**—Dr. Cary Supalo, Independent Science; Robert Jaquiss, American Thermoform

**9:00 am - 12:00 pm NFB CONVENTION SESSION**

Grand Ballroom, Level 1

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**12:15 - 1:45 pm TWEEN ROOM OPEN** (ages 11-14) *Text or call Penny Duffy at 603-892-6355 for location. Feel free to bring your lunch.*

**2:00 - 5:00 pm NFB CONVENTION SESSION**

Grand Ballroom, Level 1

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details

**7:30 - 9:30 pm PARENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM—PLP**

Salon 14, Level 2

Has the NOPBC helped you and your family? Would you like to get more involved? Come learn about leadership opportunities in your state. Coordinator: Carol Castellano, Director of Programs, NOPBC, 201-400-1101

## FRIDAY, JULY 10

**9:00 am - 12:00 pm NFB CONVENTION SESSION**

Grand Ballroom, Level 1

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details

**12:15 - 1:45 pm TWEEN ROOM OPEN** (ages 11-14) *Text or call Penny Duffy at 603-892-6355 for location. Feel free to bring your lunch.*

**12:30 - 1:45 pm NOPBC BRAINSTORMING SESSION**

Location to be announced.

Come share your ideas and help to plan next year's conference.

**2:00 - 5:00 pm NFB CONVENTION SESSION**

Grand Ballroom, Level 1

See NFB Convention Agenda for program details

**7:00 pm BANQUET**

Grand Ballroom, Level 1

## NFB CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

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

DAY & DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON
Sun., July 5	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	1:30 - 5:30 pm
Mon., July 6	Closed	Closed
Tues., July 7	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	12:45 - 5:30 pm
<i>Because of our 1:00 NOPBC Annual Meeting time on this day, staff will be present in the child care rooms before 1:00 pm. After you give your child lunch, you may take him/her back to child care early so that you can get to our meeting on time.</i>		
Wed., July 8	9:00 am - 12:30 pm	1:30 - 5:30 pm
Thurs., July 9	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	1:30 - 5:30 pm
Fri., July 10	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	1:30 - 5:30 pm
Banquet		6:30 pm - 30 min. after end of Banquet

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE (ages 11 - 18)

Sun., July 5	11:00 am - 12:15 pm	Youth Track
	2:00 - 4:45 pm	Youth Track
	8:00 - 11 pm	NABS Social (ages 14 - 18)
Mon., July 6	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Tween Room
	2:45 - 4:00 pm	Youth Style Show
	5:45 - 6:15 pm	Breaking Barriers Funathlon
Tues., July 7	10:00 - 11:45 am	Youth Track Sessions
	1:00 - 4:00 pm	Youth Track
Wed., July 8	12:15 - 1:45 pm	Tween Room
	7:00 - 10:00 pm	Youth Track
Thurs., July 9	12:15 - 1:45 pm	Tween Room
Fri., July 10	12:15 - 1:45 pm	Tween Room

# NOPBC 2015 CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

## SATURDAY, JULY 4

1:00 pm Informal group trip to WonderWorks

## SUNDAY, JULY 5

7:30 - 8:45 am Seminar Registration—be sure to pick up your agenda!

9:00 - 10:45 am NOPBC Crafting Your Diamond Seminar *General Session*  
(Adults, Children, Youth)

10:45 am Children & Youth are escorted to their activities

11:00 am - 12:15 pm NOPBC Children's Activity in Child Care (ages 5 - 12)

11:00 am - 12:15 pm Youth Track (ages 11 - 18)

11:00 am - 12:15 pm NOPBC Concurrent Workshops

12:15 - 2:00 Lunch on your own. Feed your kids.

P.M Session NOPBC Children's Activity in Child Care (ages 5 - 12)

2:00 - 4:45 pm Youth Track (ages 11 - 18)

2:00 - 3:15 pm NOPBC Concurrent Workshops

3:30 - 4:45 pm NOPBC Concurrent Workshops

5:30 - 7:00 pm NOPBC Family Hospitality

7:00 - 8:00 pm Family Networking

8:00 - 9:30 pm NOPBC Board Meeting

8:00 - 11:00 pm NABS Student Social (ages 14 - 18)

## MONDAY, JULY 6

8:45 - 10:30 am Cane Walk Session I (Adults, Children, Youth)

11:00 am- 12:45 pm Cane Walk Session II (Adults, Children, Youth)

11:00 am - 12:30 pm Tween Room open

2:45 - 4:00 pm NOPBC Youth Style Show (rehearsal at 1 pm)

3:00 - 6:00 pm Car Show

5:45 - 6:15 pm NOPBC Breaking Barriers Funathlon

7:30 - 9:30 pm Parent Leadership Program (PLP)

**TUESDAY, JULY 7**

A.M Session	NOPBC Children's Activity in Child Care (ages 5 - 12)
10:00 - 10:45 am	Youth Track (ages 11 - 14)
11:00 - 11:45 am	Youth Track (ages 14 - 18)
1:00 - 4:00 pm	NOPBC Annual Meeting—you may drop your child off early in Child Care this p.m. in order to get to the meeting on time
1:00 - 4:00 pm	Youth Track (ages 11 - 18)
P.M. Session	NOPBC Children's Activity in Child Care (ages 5 - 12)
5:00 - 7:00 pm	Braille Book Fair
7:30 - 9:00 pm	Dad's Night Out

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 8**

A.M Session	NOPBC Children's Activity in Child Care (ages 5 - 12)
9:30 am - 12:00 pm	NFB Opening Session
12:15 - 1:45 pm	Tween Room open
2:00 - 5:00 pm	NFB General Session
7:00 - 9:45 pm	NOPBC Evening Workshops
7:00 - 10:00 pm	Children's Activity (ages 5 - 12) for children whose parents are in the NOPBC workshops
7:00 - 10:00 pm	Youth Track (11 - 18)

**THURSDAY, JULY 9**

7:00 - 8:30 am	NOPBC Board Meeting
A.M. Session	NOPBC Children's Activity in Child Care (ages 5 - 12)
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	NFB General Session
12:15 - 1:45 pm	Tween Room open
2:00 - 5:00 pm	NFB General Session
7:30 - 9:30 pm	Parent Leadership Program (PLP)

**FRIDAY, JULY 10**

9:00 am - 12:00 pm	NFB General Session
12:15 - 1:45 pm	Tween Room open
12:30 - 1:45 pm	NOPBC Brainstorming
2:00 - 5:00 pm	NFB General Session
7:00 pm	Banquet

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