

On The Bumpy Road to Literacy



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Presented by:

Wisconsin Parents of Blind Children

A Seminar for Parents and Teachers of Blind/Visually Impaired Children



Friday, March 20, 2009

8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Days Inn - 101 Sky Harbour Drive

La Crosse WI 54603 - (608) 783-1000

Registration: Adults \$20 - Children \$15

**Receive a \$5 discount per person when you preregister
online at www.nfbwis.org before March 15th.**

Scholarships available – Contact Andrea at 608-563-4708.

Breakfast, lunch, childcare, and children's programs included





Join us for a day of information, inspiration, and new ideas.



Come meet new families and blind/visually impaired adults.




After the seminar stay and enjoy our other events which are a part of our annual convention. Student issues, blind vendors, DVR, and technology will all be discussed in this jam packed weekend.



Program Highlights



 Skills and Tools for
Classroom Success
 Ways to Make
Braille Easy

 IEP Goals for Real
Progress
 See the Latest
Technology

 High Expectations
 Find Cool Summer
Activities
 Meet other families!






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Guest Speakers

We are so honored to have:

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- Dr. Ruby Ryles**, Ruston, LA. Since 2004 she has been Assistant Professor Professional Development and Research Institute on Blindness in the College of Education at Louisiana Tech University. Before this she was the Coordinator of Professional Development/Instructor at Louisiana Tech University and the Louisiana Center for the Blind. She has done much research in the field of blindness and the use of Braille. She started her career as an elementary school teacher and soon became a Teacher of Blind and Visually Impaired Children.
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- Mark Riccobono**, Executive Director of the NFB Jernigan Institute, Baltimore, MD. With experience as Director of the Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Director of Education at the Jernigan Institute, Mark has the track record of innovative thinking regarding the education of blind/vi children.
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- Carrie Gilmer**, President of the NFB's National Organization of Parents of Blind Children. Carrie is also the president of Minnesota's Parents of Blind Children.



Children's Program

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- Braille Carnival:** Braille games and activities that will promote Braille literacy. These activities will be led by our childcare volunteers and will be fun for our blind/VI kids and their siblings!
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- Fire Safety:** We will be hosting the La Crosse Fire Department. They will be putting on a wonderful show and learning experience. Including: using a fire hose, fire extinguishers, smoke house, safety tips, and much, much more. The kids will love this one and you will love to hear all the exciting things they did.

Register at www.nfbwis.org - Call Andrea Beasley at 608-563-4708 for questions.