

Upcoming Events and Celebrations

- [October 9th is World Sight Day - Join Us in Promoting](#) Ways to “Love Your Eyes” Prevent Blindness is again partnering with the [National Association of School Nurses](#) to provide [a comprehensive World Sight Day Toolkit](#), including bookmarks, stickers, printable handouts, and more. Materials are available for conducting a “back-to-school night” promotion to educate families on children’s vision issues, hold screening events, and request local and state proclamations for [World Sight Day](#). The fun bookmarks and stickers are great for early childhood education programs and Head Start. A new resource in the toolkit is a [revised list of books about vision](#).
- [October 15th is White Cane Day](#) - Don’t forget to help us share and celebrate the 61st anniversary of White Cane Day with local happenings across the state.

The North Carolina Council of the Blind is proud to announce the celebration of [White Cane Day 2025](#) in the heart of the State Capital. This year's event will highlight the recent revision of the State's White Cane Law, and the importance of the white cane as a symbol of independence for people who are blind or visually impaired

- The [APH Abacus Bee](#) is a fun and engaging competition designed to ignite a passion for mathematics in students who are blind or have low vision. By allowing the use of various formats such as print, braille, UEB math, or Nemeth code, the competition ensures participants can work in the way that best supports their learning style. Students develop their mental math and abacus skills while unlocking their full mathematical potential. — *American Printing House for the Blind, Abacus Bee Project*
 - Participants complete a placement exam, which helps the Teacher of the Visually Impaired determine each student’s competition level. Top performers from across the country will be invited to the National Finals in Louisville, KY, February 2026.
 - **Where:** Governor Morehead School for the Blind, 303 Ashe Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27606
 - **When:** Thursday, November 6, 2025
 - **Time:** 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM
 - **Contact:** William Tubilleja | 984-292-3069

- [The North Carolina Braille Challenge](#) is back with inspiring regional competitions celebrating literacy, inclusion, and the power of braille. Students from across the state will showcase their skills in braille reading and writing through fun, challenging activities. Families, educators, and friends are encouraged to come cheer on these remarkable students!

EASTERN REGIONAL:

- **Where:** The Governor Morehead School for the Blind, 303 Ashe Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27606
 - **When:** Monday, February 16, 2026
 - **Time:** 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Hosted by The Governor Morehead School for the Blind and the State Library of North Carolina
 - **WESTERN REGIONAL:** TBD due to changes, stay tuned for more information
 - **REGISTRATION** Opens: November 3, 2025 Closes: January 9, 2026
Registration links will be shared on November 3, 2025.
- [CVI Conference](#): Third Annual Conference - Innovations in CVI: Moving the Agenda Forward, October 23 - 24, 2025. Hosted by The Children's Home of Pittsburgh
 - [2025 NC Walk4Hearing](#)
 - **Date:** October 12, 2025
 - **Time:** 10:30am-1:00pm
 - **Location:** WakeMed Soccer Park 201 Soccer Park Drive Cary, NC 27606
 - The walk is free for all participants. Register for the walk [HERE](#).
 - In-person [ASL classes in Eastern North Carolina](#)
 - The Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DSDHH) is offering a series of ASL Storytelling time for children through Zoom with a Deaf storyteller. Please see the [event flier](#) for more information.
 - [Perkins School for the Blind: College Readiness Resource Center](#)
The College Readiness Resource Center is designed to help the many people involved in helping students prepare for college (and life in general) with thoughtful, expert guidance to plan for successful outcomes, whatever they are –

whether that's straight to college, pre-college training programs or heading straight to work.