

Music, Movement, and Mathematics

The National Federation of the Blind's Braille Enrichment Literacy and Learning (BELL)[®] Academy helps blind and low-vision children, develop the literacy and independent-living skills that will empower them to achieve their academic goals and live the lives they want. This year, through our partnership with Wells Fargo, BELL will encourage our students to cultivate their knowledge of music, engage in physical activity, interact in their communities and exceed their expectations of their arithmetic abilities; by not only raising expectations through Braille instruction, but by fostering their growth in music, movement and mathematics.

The NFB of Louisiana will host one residential/day NFB BELL Academy program at the Louisiana Center for the Blind (101 South Trenton St, Ruston, La 71270) from Sunday, May 31 through Saturday, June 6. Residential students may begin arriving Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Day students are also welcome to join us at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday for opening activities. Graduation and parent activities are mandatory and will take place on Saturday, June 6 at 11:00 a.m. Students must apply through our nation website at http://www.louisianacenter.org/nfbbellprogram and through the NFB at https://nfb.org/bell-academy. Residential Students \$150; Day students \$100. The deadline to apply is April 30, 2020. All meals are provided, but if there are dietary restrictions, you may be asked to provide some food for your child.

To learn more about the NFB of Louisiana BELL Academy, visit https://nfb.org/bell-academy. Or, contact the Louisiana BELL Academy Coordinator Krystal Guillory at 318-245-8955 or by email at

