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WELCOME!



The CTEBVI Conference offers a valuable opportunity to come together as a community of professionals committed to students who are blind or visually impaired. It is a time to share effective practices, explore new tools and approaches, and learn from one another's experiences. Whether you are refining your skills, discovering innovative techniques, or connecting with colleagues, this gathering is designed to support your continued growth.

As we embrace the theme *Strategies for Success*, I encourage each of you to reflect on the strategies that have made a difference in your own practice and to remain open to new ideas that can enhance your impact. Together, we strengthen our collective ability to provide high-quality, accessible educational experiences for all students who are blind or visually impaired. The strategies you implement in instruction, transcription and accessible media are the foundation of student success. Your work ensures access, fosters independence, and opens doors to opportunity.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment, your collaboration, and your passion. I look forward to connecting with you at the conference and celebrating the important work we do together.

Warm regards,
Sue Reilly
CTEBVI President

CONFERENCE INFORMATION

ONSITE REGISTRATION

You may register at the CTEBVI Registration Desk. Please note that onsite registration is nonrefundable.

REGISTRATION HOURS

Thursday, April 16.....	7:00 am - 7:00 pm
Friday, April 17	7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, April 18.....	7:00 am - 4:30 pm

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

CEUs are again being offered with an ACVREP fee of \$35. This fee will allow CEUs for an unlimited number of workshops. You will get instructions for receiving certificates after the conference.

ANNOUNCEMENT BOARD

Have an announcement or job opening? Please feel free to post it on the board that will be located in the exhibit hall.

EXHIBIT HALL

Exhibit Hall attendance is free to attendees and the general public! CTEBVI’s Exhibit Hall showcases the latest in assistive technology products, services and possible job opportunities. Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm and Saturday, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm.

SILENT AUCTION

All proceeds of the silent auction go to the CTEBVI General Fund. This event also provides you with the opportunity to take home some beautiful gifts. The silent auction ends at 1:15 pm on Saturday, and the ticket drawings will take place at 1:30 pm. Tickets are available for purchase at the silent auction booth in the exhibit hall.

You must be present at the time of drawing to claim your winning item. Items not claimed will be offered to the next ticket drawn. GOOD LUCK!!!

HOTEL INFORMATION

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Los Angeles Airport Marriott
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AMENITIES:

This hotel has a smoke-free policy.
ADA-accessible guest rooms are available.
A dog relief area will be designated. Please ask for the location when you check in.

TRANSPORTATION TO/FROM LAX AIRPORT



The hotel's complimentary airport shuttle runs every 15 to 20 minutes on a continuous loop 24/7 so reservations are not needed. Track the shuttles by scanning the QR code on your mobile device.



SELF-PARKING

Your room key will be activated for self-parking for in and out access. Upon departure, please keep a room key to exit the gate and a drop box is available to return your key. If you have a car, let the front desk know so that they can activate your key.

Self-Parking: \$35 daily. Charges will be added to your room. If you are not a guest of the hotel, come to the CTEBVI registration desk to get parking validation for this rate.

ONSITE RESTAURANTS

Starbucks Coffee:

5:00 am - 5:00 pm, Sunday - Saturday

Hangar 18 Bar + Kitchen:

6:30 am – 11:00 pm, Sunday – Saturday

JW Steakhouse:

5:30 pm – 9:30 pm, Sunday - Saturday

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

Registration Open 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

Preconference Workshops

We are excited to offer four preconference workshops this year. Workshops include a one-hour break for lunch.

Pre1 - Code Like a Kid: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

A Day of Code Experience for Professionals

Presenters: Allison Mello, Maximo Avendano

Location: California 2

Pre2 - It's New! What Do I Do? 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Using the Johns BRI 12th Ed. in a Learning Media Assessment

Presenters: Shelby Kannanaikkal, Stephanie Herlich

Location: Pacific Coast 2

Pre3 - Docs and Dots..... 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Documents, Braille Displays, and Screenreaders, Oh my!

Presenters: Eli Sanchez, Jenny Wheeler

Location: Pacific Coast 2

Pre4 - Tactile Graphics with Corel Draw, Word, & Tiger Software Suite 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Presenters: Shawn Greiner, Dan Gardner, Lloyd Waggener

Location: California 3

Exhibitor Set Up..... 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Location: Imperial Ballroom

Welcome Reception 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: Pacific Coast 4 & 5

Enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a no-host bar.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

Registration Open 7:00 am - 5:00 pm

Buffet Breakfast..... 7:30 am - 8:30 am

Location: Marquis Ballroom

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

General Session I 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Location: Marquis Ballroom

- **Keynote Speaker:** Donald Winiecki

- **Topic: Braille and AI. Frenemies Forever!**

Production of high-quality braille and tactile media has long been a job demanding substantial knowledge, skills, and attitudes. However, over time technologies have changed the definition of what knowledge, what skills, and what attitudes are necessary to do the job well. Regardless, some things haven't changed (much).

- The introduction of artificial intelligence (AI) into most (?) aspects of work and play in the early-mid 21st century is a continuation of this.
- There are many kinds of AI. Which of them will we (likely) encounter in the production of braille and tactile media?
- What can those kinds of AI (likely) do?
- There are several other technologies being rolled out that also affect us and readers of braille. What *are* those and what *of* those?
- What does all of this mean for us and this livelihood? What does this mean for readers of braille?
- What do we prepare for? What should we be prepared for?
- Join me for some perspective-setting ideas.



DONALD WINIECKI, KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Don is founder of Handid Braille Services, a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation specializing in braille for languages other than English, especially languages that do not use the Latin symbol system. He is a member of the NFB, on the Board of Directors for the NBA, and is the USA representative on the ICEB Committee for UEB Technical. Don is also a professor at Boise State University, where he teaches organizational research methods and applied ethics, and researches ethics in computer science, AI, and cybersecurity. He holds a EdD in Instructional Technology and PhD in Sociology.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, APRIL 17 (continued)

Exhibitor Set Up.....8:00 am - 9:00 am

Location: Imperial Ballroom

Exhibit Hall Open..... 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Location: Imperial Ballroom

Drop by the Exhibit Hall to browse the vendor booths, get signatures to win prizes, and see the exciting silent auction items.

Workshops 101-112.....10:00 am - 11:00 am

Workshops 201-212.....11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Lunch on Your Own..... 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Visit the Exhibit Hall!

Workshops 301-312..... 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Workshops 401-412..... 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

SFSU Student and Alumni Social 4:45 pm - 5:45 pm

Location: Hospitality Suite, Room 104

No-Host Cocktails Reception 6:00 pm

Location: Marquis Ballroom Prefunction Area

Banquet and Celebration 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Location: Marquis Ballroom

2026 CTEBVI Awards

- **Judith Lesner Advocacy Award**

Jacob Lesner-Buxton - This award honors individuals who advocate to level the playing field for persons living with disabilities.

Jacob Lesner-Buxton is a person with cerebral palsy and low vision who is a community organizer in Santa Barbara. In his job, Jacob helps communities on the Central Coast advocate for disability rights. Jacob also enjoys writing articles, doing yoga, traveling and going to movies.

- **Innovator Award**

Braille Institute, in recognition of its impactful initiative, The Braille Challenge -

This award celebrates organizations, inventors, and vendors that have created unique

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products or services tailored for individuals who are blind or have low vision. For over 25 years, the Braille Challenge has significantly improved the lives of students by promoting braille literacy, while also fostering confidence and connections among blind and low vision students across the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia and Kenya.

- **Distinguished Member**

A distinguished member is a member recognized by CTEBVI for their exceptional contributions, leadership, or service. This designation honors members who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to the organization’s mission and goals.

- **Certificate of Appreciation**

This certificate is proudly presented to an individual in recognition of outstanding commitment, dedication, and contribution to the success of CTEBVI. Your efforts have made a significant impact and are truly appreciated.

- **Katie Sibert Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship, offered to transcribers and educators, is available to CTEBVI members and is designed to support the development and enhancement of skills essential for providing high-quality educational opportunities to students who are blind or visually impaired. Funds may be used to attend CTEBVI conferences, participate in training opportunities, or purchase materials that contribute to professional growth and improved student outcomes.

2026 Recipients: Michelle Fornell, April Pair, Kathryn Ross, Cory Ruiz, Dinora Vera, Maureen Villagrana

Music by **Acabella Girls** and dancing to follow.



ACABELLA GIRLS

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

Registration.....	7:00 am - 4:30 pm
Exhibit Hall Open.....	9:00 am - 3:30 pm
<i>Location: Imperial Ballroom</i>	
Youth Institute.....	9:00 am - 3:00 pm
<i>Location: Suite E</i>	
Parent Institute	9:00 am - 3:00 pm
<i>Location: Suite F</i>	
Workshops 501-512.....	10:00 am - 11:00 am

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SATURDAY, APRIL 18 (continued)

Workshops 601-61111:30 am - 12:30 pm

Meeting for Birth to Five Vision Network 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Location: Los Angeles 3

Lunch on Your Own..... 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Drop by the Exhibit Hall to browse the vendor booths, get signatures to win prizes, and see the exciting silent auction items.

Silent Auction Closes..... 1:15 pm

Location: Imperial Ballroom

This is the last day for the Silent Auction so get your tickets in before 1:15 pm. The drawing begins at 1:30 pm. Don't miss out!

Workshops 701-711 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Workshops 801-811 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Hospitality Suite 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Location: Room 104

Drinks & light snacks will be served.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

Buffet Breakfast.....8:00 am - 9:00 am

Location: Marquis Ballroom

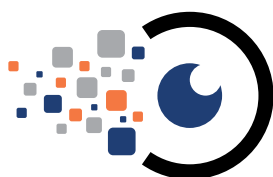
General Session II9:00 am - 10:30 am

Location: Marquis Ballroom

- **Leading with Perspective: Success Strategies from Blind and Low-Vision Professionals**

As part of our *Strategies for Success* conference, this panel features a diverse group of professionals, including a TVI, transcriber, braille proofreader, and assistive technology specialist, all of whom are blind or have low vision. They will share the techniques, systems, and support structures that have played a crucial role in their achievements.

Panelists will offer practical strategies for effective teaching, advocacy, accessibility, and professional growth. This discussion invites all attendees to gain new perspectives and rethink what success looks like.



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YOUTH INSTITUTE

YOUTH INSTITUTE 2026

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Location: Suite E

Braille Institute and Wayfinder Family Services, in collaboration with **CTEBVI** are sponsoring the **Youth Institute**. This day-long event will provide students with the opportunity to explore key topics and meet mentors who are blind or have low vision themselves.

This year's Youth Institute is open for all blind or low vision students in the K-12 school system as well as our transition age college students that are under the age of 22.

Workshops: 15 - 20 minute discussion, 35 – 40 minute activity for each workshop

TIME	ACTIVITY
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Student Check-in/Registration and Welcome
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Better Me, Better We: Discuss - How to work together in groups/ teams to get the best results. Talk about teamwork, working with others and how to play with others, problem solving, collaborating, patience, turn taking, compromise and negotiation
11:00 am - 11:15 am	Break and Snacks
11:15 am - 12:15 pm	Get Ready with Me: Discuss how to get ready for traveling, camp, and sleepovers. Talk about homesickness, learning to be away and independent, how to prep for trips, what services are needed and how to ask for them (self-advocacy)
12:15 pm	Lunch will be provided.
1:20 pm - 2:20 pm	Joint session with parents from the Parent Institute on Assistive Technology
2:20 pm - 3:00 pm	Exhibit Hall: Students will travel in small groups exploring the CTEBVI Exhibit Hall.

PARENT INSTITUTE

PARENT INSTITUTE 2026

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Location: Suite F

CAPVI (California Association of Parents of the Visually Impaired), in collaboration with **CTEBVI** (California Transcribers and Educators for the Blind & Visually Impaired), is sponsoring the **Parent Institute**.

All sections of the conference will be interactive, allowing for dialogue and the ability to ask for clarification addressing concerns as parents, kinship, or legal guardians.

Parents have the opportunity to attend two CTEBVI workshops during the institute

TIME	ACTIVITY
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Check-in and parent connection time with a light breakfast.
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Workshops: Parents will choose a workshop to attend from the 500 series.
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Workshops: Parents will choose a workshop to attend from the 600 series.
12:30 pm - 1:15 pm	Lunch: Socialize over lunch with other parents and families in the BVI Community. Lunch will be provided.
1:20 pm - 2:20 pm	Parents and youth will meet for a joint technology session.
2:20 pm - 3:00 pm	Exhibit Hall: Students and parents can access multiple vendors, talk to vendors about the latest technology, local and national service organizations for the blind, network, and so much more!
3:00 pm	Conclusion

WORKSHOPS-AT-A-GLANCE

📅 THURSDAY, APRIL 16

PRECONFERENCE

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Pre1 Code like a Kid: A Day of Code Experience for Professionals

California 2

Allison Mello, Maximo Avendano

Pre2 It's new! What do I do? Using the Johns BRI 12th Ed. in a Learning Media Assessment

Pacific Coast 2

Shelby Kannanaikkal, Stephanie Herlich

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Pre3 Docs and Dots: Documents, Braille Displays, and Screenreaders, Oh my!

Pacific Coast 2

Eli Sanchez, Jenny Wheeler

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Pre4 Tactile Graphics with Corel Draw, Word, and Tiger Software Suite

California 3

Shawn Greiner, Dan Gardner,
Lloyd Waggener

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100 SESSIONS - 10:00 AM

101 Braille Learning from Prison to Professional Transcriber

Pacific Coast 2

Deborah Adams

102 Connect The Dots to Guide Young Hands

Pacific Coast 3

Bonnie Read

103 Getting Youth Excited To Vote

California 2

Jacob Lesner-Buxton

104 What's Ahead: Person-centered practices & programs that support deafblind youth to succeed

California 3

Janelle Dowling, Julie Maier

105 Easy Step-by-Step Methods for Teaching Braille Reading Using Actual Tactuals Materials

Pacific Coast 4

Tamara Black, Roberta Becker

106 Natural Routines and the ECC: Building Independence in Infants with Visual Impairments

Pacific Coast 6

Patricia Camarillo, Xiomara Roman

107 Nine to Shine: Tips for Supporting VI+ Students in the Classroom and Beyond

Pacific Coast 1

May Nguyen

108 A TVI's Guide to Writing IEPs and Using AI

Pacific Coast 5

Robin King, Nabiha Mujahid

109 Inside the California School for the Blind: Programs, Process, and Partnership

Los Angeles 3

Sarah Blair, Shannon Johns

110 Digitizing Braille Literacy: Mangold Basic Braille Program on the Codex Multiline Display

Los Angeles 4

Hrishi Rao, Stephanie Herlich

WORKSHOPS-AT-A-GLANCE

111 It Starts Before Preschool: Building Tech Readiness and Confidence in Families

California 4

Allison Mello

112 The Refreshable Future with Multi-line Braille Displays

Los Angeles 2

John Taylor, Bob Sweetman

200 SESSIONS - 11:30 AM

201 Exploring the Transcription of Codes and Puzzles

Pacific Coast 5

Michael Gunner

202 Lessons to Action: Empowering Students Through Authentic Advocacy & Self-Determination

California 2

Kirsten French

203 The CHAMPION Evaluation Method

Pacific Coast 1

Cheryl Kamei-Hannan

204 Expanding Impact: Advancing the Direct Consult Model for Blind and Low Vision Students

California 3

Adrian Amandi

205 Fade the Aide?: Promoting Student Independence

Pacific Coast 6

Karri Fenstermacher,
Ramona Mclaughlin

206 Touch, Move, Understand: Linking O&M and TVI Teaching to Spatial and Tactile Literacy

Pacific Coast 4

Erin Foley

207 Insights and Strategies: A Live Q&A with CSB Specialists

California 4

Tamar Solomon, Maximo Avendano

208 Testing, testing...1, 2, 3...Testing, testing...

Los Angeles 2

Veronica Gunn

209 A New Era of Braille Access: Windows Without Barriers

Los Angeles 3

Rachel Ramos

210 AI in the Loop: Maximize Efficiency and Remain Diligent in an AT Evaluation Process

Pacific Coast 2

Ting Siu

211 Using Animated Tactile Tablets to Teach Graphics-Dependent Subjects

Los Angeles 4

Greg Williams, Wunji Lau

212 Navigating independently, GPS apps for the blind, Do not leave home without one

Pacific Coast 3

Mike May, Robert Sweetman

WORKSHOPS-AT-A-GLANCE

300 SESSIONS - 2:00 PM

301 Introduction to Music Braille: Part 1

California 2

Jenny Wheeler

302 World Languages in Braille (and some UEB Technical) and Beyond!

Pacific Coast 2

Don Winiecki

303 The Universal Accomplice Mindset: How to Show Up Without Taking Over

California 3

Nicole Harris

304 From School to Success: Meaningful Transitions for Students with Visual Impairments

Pacific Coast 3

Shannon Johns, Laura Clark

305 The Quest for the Perfect Size: Rethinking the Search for the “Best Font Size”

Pacific Coast 4

Samantha Peterson

306 Best Practices for Connecting Transition-Aged Youth with DOR Services

California 4

Christina Park, Chaia Flores

307 From Chaos to Clarity: A Toolkit for TVI Collaboration

Pacific Coast 5

April Pair

308 Situational Awareness: Everyday Safety Strategies

Los Angeles 2

Brooke Pernice

309 Supporting Success: Developing and Supporting Effective Deafblind Intervener Services

Los Angeles 3

Julie Maier

310 Artificial Intelligence Near and Far; The Students Magnification, and Speech

Los Angeles 4

Roger Steinberg, Kevin Hughes

311 Right Tool, Right Time: Rethinking Braille Notetakers in Today’s Classrooms

Pacific Coast 6

Allison Mello, John Taylor

312 The Screen Reader Lesson You Can Teach Tomorrow: JAWS, NVDA & ChromeVox Basics

Pacific Coast 1

Cody Laplante

400 SESSIONS - 3:30 PM

401 Introduction to Music Braille: Part 2

California 2

Jenny Wheeler

402 Braille2000 – Line Numbered Text

Pacific Coast 5

Shawn Greiner

403 Who am I? The Development of Disability Identity in Adolescence from Adult Experiences

Los Angeles 4

Patricia Camarillo

WORKSHOPS-AT-A-GLANCE

**404 From Stress to Strength,
Supporting Students with Worry**
Los Angeles 2
Marisa Smith

**405 Game On! Empowering Students
Through Blind Sports**
California 4
Sarah Blair, Molly Armstrong

**406 They Know Drive, But Not Directions:
Balancing Tech Skills with the ECC**
Los Angeles 3
Maximo Avendano

**407 Braille in Abundance: Discover the
Numerous Ways to Access Materials
in Braille from NLS**
Pacific Coast 4
Zhi Huang, Amber Percy

**409 Department of Rehabilitation:
Student Services - Supporting the
Transition to Your Future**
California 3
Laura Rosa, Melissa Sanders

**410 How Do You Assess for That?
Strategies to Make FVAs More
Measurable and Meaningful**
Pacific Coast 1
Abel Perez, Marysol Welch

**411 The Gray Areas of O&M: Turning
Theory into Responsive Practice**
Pacific Coast 3
Erin Foley, Nicholas Casias, Cyndi Davis

**412 What's Available in AT: Fresh
Tools, Smarter Tech, and Creative
Classroom Connections**
Pacific Coast 2
Adrian Amandi, April Pair,
Tracy Cappelletti, Melissa Quan

 **SATURDAY, APRIL 18**

500 SESSIONS - 10:00 AM

**501 FIRM: Formatting the Infrequent or
Rare Materials**
Pacific Coast 2
Bonnie Read

**502 Parents and Teachers in Partnership
for Student Success**
Los Angeles 2
Terena Scott

**503 Accessible STEM Starts at Home:
National Federation of the Blind's
NFB EQ for Parents**
California 2
Ashleigh Moon, Karen Anderson

**504 Connection Counts: Teaching Social
Skills and the Hidden Curriculum**
Pacific Coast 1
Adrian Amandi

505 How I Use Tactile Maps
Pacific Coast 6
Jerry Kuns

**506 Tools for Students with
Multisensory Loss**
Los Angeles 4
Maximo Avendano, Sarah Blair

**507 Frame Your Voice: Blind Content
Creation for the Next Generation**
California 4
Nicole Harris

**508 Inclusive by Design: Behavior
Supports That Work for Every
Learner**
Pacific Coast 5
Cyndi Davis, Heather Logan

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**509 Unlock a World of Reading:
Mastering Bookshare for Your
Students**

Pacific Coast 4
Kimberly Berry

**510 Monarch Apps: A New Approach to
Tactile Learning**

Pacific Coast 3
Willow Free

511 Workflow: Maximum Efficiency

Los Angeles 3
Andy Roberts, John Taylor

**512 CSB Uncovered: Programs, Services,
and Supports**

California 3
Gina Oulette, Shannon Johns

600 SESSIONS - 11:30 AM

601 Making and Using eBraille

Pacific Coast 3
Willow Free

**602 California Department of
Rehabilitation: Empowering
Independence and Employment**

California 4
Joseph Stansil, Yuki Long

**603 Building it blind: How to build Lego
sets independently using text-based
instructions.**

California 2
Matthew Shifrin

**604 From Assessment to Action:
Integrating the FVA, LMA, Tech, and
ECC Assessments**

Pacific Coast 1
Adrian Amandi, Ting Siu

**605 Strategies for Students with VI/CVI
and Complex Multiple Disabilities**

Pacific Coast 2
Nabiha Mujahid, Robin King

**606 AI Technology Integration into O&M
Instruction: Practitioner Perspectives**

Pacific Coast 5
Nicholas Casias

**607 K-12 Success: Free Audiobooks,
Music & More via NLS Apps and
Devices**

California 3
Amber Percy, Zhi Huang

**608 Connecting with Learners through
Children's Books**

Pacific Coast 4
Cheryl Kamei-Hannan,
Patricia Camarillo, Xiomara Roman

**609 How to Use ChatGPT to Create
Meaningful Lesson Plans**

Los Angeles 3
Abel Perez

**610 The Importance of Digital Math:
Preparing VI Students for Advanced
Math with LaTeX**

Los Angeles 2
Isabela Figueira, Stacy Branham,
Jamie Murdy, Lisa Okikawa Stafford

**611 Workloads and Workflows! Tools for
Teachers and Students**

Los Angeles 4
Maria DiBernardo, Maximo Avendano

WORKSHOPS-AT-A-GLANCE

700 SESSIONS - 2:00 PM

- 701 Transcribing Those Dreaded Worksheets Into UEB Technical**
Pacific Coast 3
Michael Gunner
- 702 Supports or Stereotypes: Transition Experiences of DeafBlind College Students**
California 3
Adam Graves
- 703 Beyond the Code: Cultivating a Love for Literacy in Every Braille Learner**
Pacific Coast 5
Karen Cedros, Sarah Blair
- 704 Inclusive Play with LEGO® Braille Bricks: Board Games for All**
Los Angeles 4
Marie Oddoux
- 705 The Best is Yet to Come! Preparing our High School Students for Success**
Pacific Coast 4
Susan Walker, Anna Orellana
- 706 Beyond Early Intervention: Building Effective Collaboration in our IFSP & IEP Teams**
Los Angeles 3
Diana Dennis, Yolanda Moreno, Diane Christian
- 707 Career Conversations with APH CareerConnect: live panel interview**
California 2
Richard Rueda
- 708 What is National Board Certification?**
California 4
Patricia Camarillo, Xiomara Roman

- 709 Coding Meets Braille: Open-Source STEM Learning on Next Generation of Braille Computers**
Los Angeles 2
Bryan Blazie, Stephen Blazie
- 711 Successful Strategies for Digital Math: Tools & Workflows**
Pacific Coast 2
John Taylor, Yurika Vu

800 SESSIONS - 3:30 PM

- 801 Transcribing Those Dreaded Worksheets Into Nemeth w/UEB**
Pacific Coast 3
Michael Gunner
- 802 Love without a driver's license - yes, it is possible**
California 4
Chelsea Lesner-Buxton, Jacob Lesner-Buxton
- 803 Innovative LEGO® Braille Bricks Activities: Engage, Play, Learn**
Los Angeles 4
Marie Oddoux
- 804 Teaching Low Vision Computer Accessibility Tools to Resistant Learners**
Pacific Coast 5
Cody Laplante
- 805 Building Foundations: Bringing the ECC to Life for Elementary Students**
Pacific Coast 1
Holly Hody, Sarah Blair
- 806 Careers & Canine Connections: Partnership success one paw at a time**
California 2
Jane Flower, Richard Rueda

WORKSHOPS-AT-A-GLANCE

807 Strategies, supports and resources for deafblind learners and their families and teams

California 3

Julie Maier

808 Things Under \$100 to Make an Itinerant Teacher More Organized

Pacific Coast 2

Abel Perez, Corina Sandoval

809 Accessible Coding Experiences with TADA!

Los Angeles 3

Eli Sanchez, Ting Siu

810 Newest Eschenbach Video Magnifiers to Help VI Students Excel in Class - A Hands-on Session

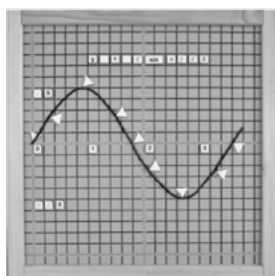
Los Angeles 2

Karla Maxson

811 Uniting Technology with Literacy Education to Highlight Braille as an Essential Tool

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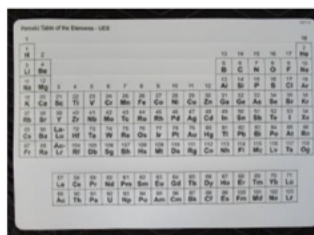
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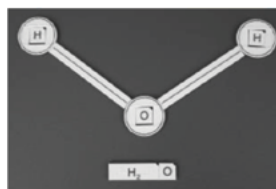
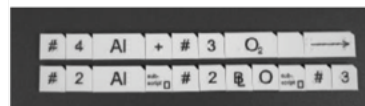
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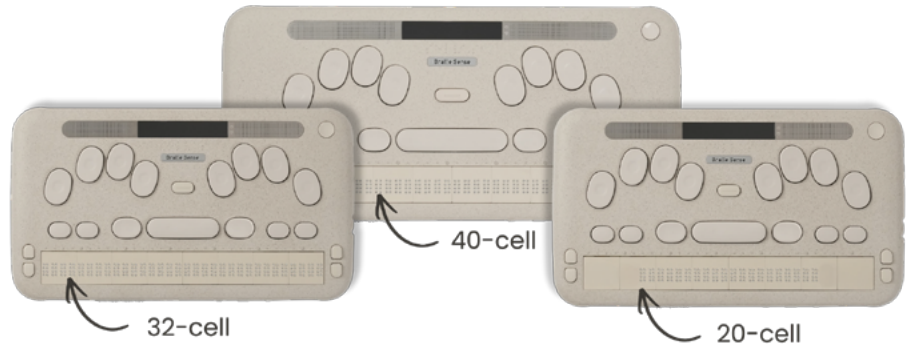
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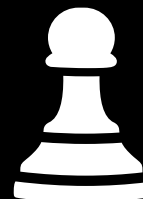
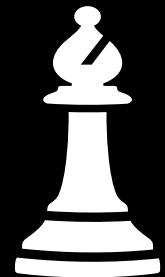
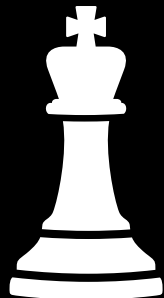
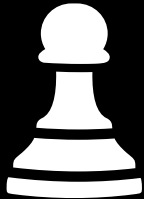
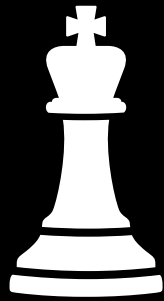
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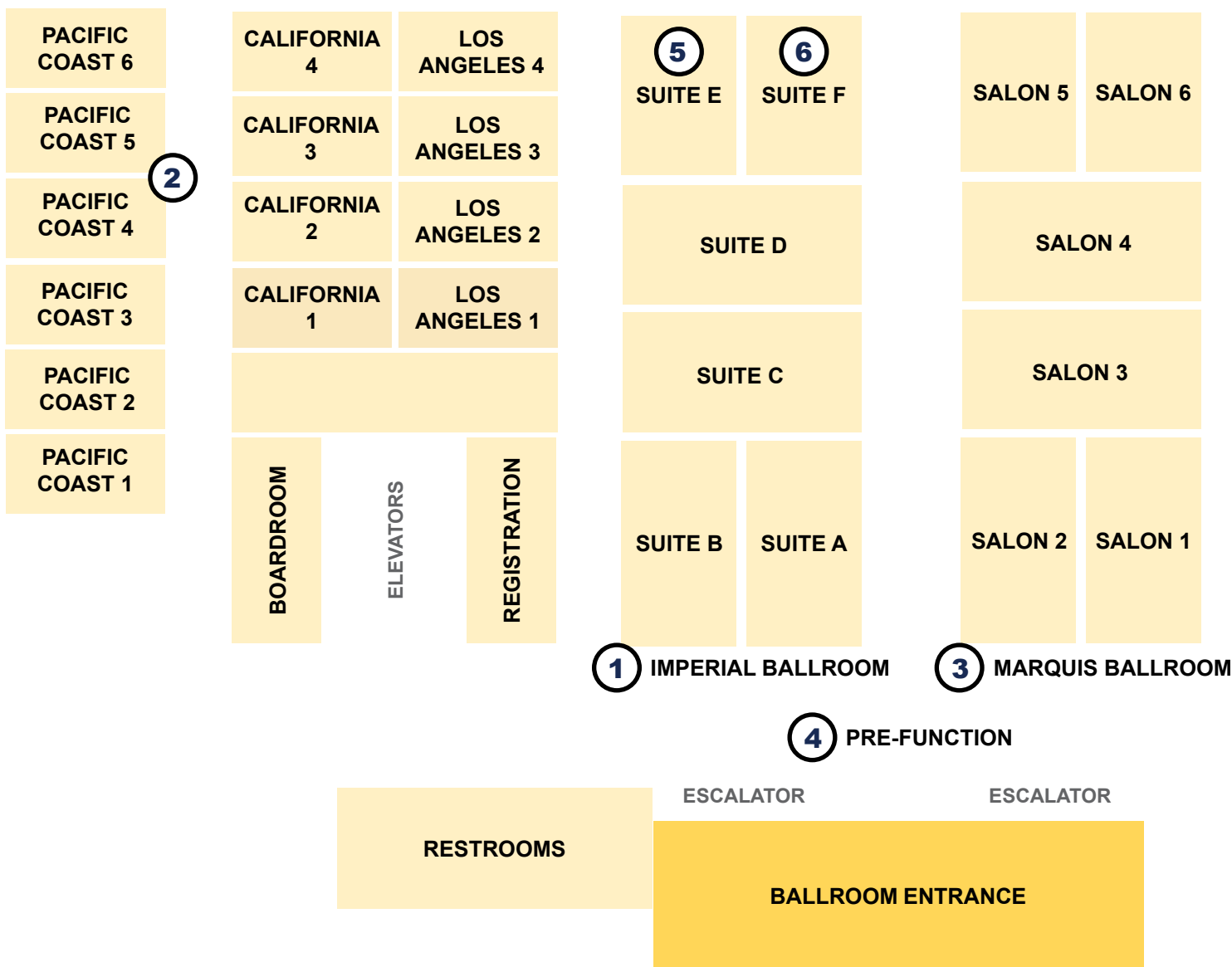
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