We're so excited about our June podcast guest, JP Williams! JP is a nationally recognized speaker, songwriting public speaker. Blind since the age of 10, JP brings a unique perspective to his work as a life coach.

Meet JP Williams

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The BEST Together Podcast is Live!

After receiving requests for support from families in our region, the BEST team is excited to supplement our webinar series with a new podcast platform! A platform to offer insights from professionals, parents, caregivers and those with lived experience in the blind and low vision community. To anyone, anywhere at anytime! Our first episode is now live and available at all major podcast platforms. Please follow and listen as we share what we’ve learned, and are learning every day, with all of you around the world to share welcome ideas for future guests at info@besttn.org.

Meet LeeAnn McWhorter

LeeAnn is a licensed special education teacher and CTVI who joins BEST with decades of experience. She worked for Metro Nashville Public Schools for over 20 years and has taught in every type of special education classroom. LeeAnn’s career has focused on teaching children with disabilities in inclusive settings. As an early childhood itinerant teacher, LeeAnn has had the opportunity to travel to many different settings to empower teachers and families to meet the unique needs of students with disabilities. LeeAnn also completed MTSU’s master’s program in Special Education with an emphasis on teaching the visually impaired. LeeAnn has received a bachelor’s degree in Social Science from the University of Tennessee in Special Education. She also completed MTSU’s master’s program in Special Education.

BEST Featured in the Tennessean!

Tennessean's Opinion and Engagement Director, for providing us the opportunity for this much-needed attention and recognition of the importance of specialized early intervention for families of children who are blind or low vision. A great way to support our mission is to purchase a toy from our website's wishlist to be added to our lending library. Check it out at MyRegalia.com or the link below.

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For the first time in Tennessee, Project PAVE (Providing Access to the Visual Environment) is Live! Project PAVE has done for so many years.

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