



2026 West Michigan Cane Quest

About Cane Quest

At this event, students will be challenged to demonstrate fundamental orientation and mobility (O&M) skills and travel techniques for navigating their travel environment. Cane Quest® is a challenging O&M contest for students, created and organized by Braille Institute of America. Regional Cane Quest® events are held across the country, and contestants are divided into three grade categories: Scouts, Explorers, and Trailblazers. This regional event is offered in collaboration with Mary Free Bed – Association for the Blind. An adult family member must accompany the student. A sibling room will also be available.

Participants will:

- get direct feedback on their O&M skills
- interact with other students and mentors who are cane users
- gain information about O&M skills and training

Sign Up Online



Online: bit.ly/RBLV-05-02-26

Deadline: April 13, 2026

Please register by April 10, 2026, to receive a Cane Quest® shirt and other swag.

Details

When:

May 2, 2026
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Doors open: 8:45 a.m.

Where:

Mary Free Bed Professional Building
350 Lafayette Ave. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Cost: Free

Audience:

This event is for students in grades 3-12 who are blind/low vision, have received instruction in using a white cane, and are able to walk independently for an hour at a time. Participants' families are welcome to attend.

Students should be cane users who are receiving or have received orientation and mobility instruction.