

NSBA New Orleans Conference - 2024

The most rewarding session at this conference was listening to Ruby Bridges as the guest speaker and learning more about her than the little girl in the picture we always see. She was inspiring and left me with sometimes the person that you are closest to, or your own race can be the ones that turn your back on you! In this world today is mostly about good vs. evil and we are dealing with a different world now. The other thing she left me with was the impact her teacher made when she was a little girl, we all thought she was having a hard time in school, but her teacher made her feel welcomed even though she was of another race.

I attended a few sessions that focused on Equity and Mental Health support for our students and parents. One district in Florida, Alachua County Public Schools learned how to support students and parents by working with an organization that helps provide services for Mental Health and online tools for parents on how to deal with every day questions that their kids might be going through or even services on how to obtain a therapist they offer this a free resource at parentguidance.org but you can also contract with them. What impressed me about this district was the focus they had on students and giving the tools to parents.

Another memorable time at the conference was attending CUBE Urban Night Out. The location was amazing at Mardi Gras World. It was great to see everyone come together to enjoy amazing food and dancing and Sonja will tell you we did lots of dancing.

I would like to give a big THANK YOU to the Color Caucus for selecting me to be one of the recipients for the scholarship to be able to attend the conference.

Below are some pictures that I took during the weekend.

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