

# THOMAS ARMOUR YOUTH BALLET INC.

## 2019-20 ORGANIZATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS & ROLES

**TAYB's organizational partners are crucial to the success of our children in Miami Dade County. futures. Our 2019-20 partnerships include:**

- **The Advocacy Network** assists with creating specific lesson plans for children with disabilities. In addition, the Network provides staff training, onsite evaluations, and additional resources to ensure that our staff is fully equipped to provide an inclusive learning atmosphere for all dancers.
- **The Children's Trust of Miami-Dade County** is a DVS funder whose vast network of services also provides crucial ancillary support, through TAYB, to our students and staff.
- **Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS)** dance and theater magnet programs refer students to TAYB for dance training in preparation for their next level of auditions, as students transition from elementary into middle school, and middle into high school placement. In addition, MDCPS provide nutrition services, delivering our students healthy snacks after school, and breakfast and lunch during summer programming.
- **New World School of the Arts (NWSA):** TAYB and NWSA collaborate to produce the annual Nutcracker Ballet. TAYB works with low-income NWSA students, providing classes and access to summer intensives in NYC.
- **Dance Plus Miami** allows TAYB to purchase discounted dance clothes and shoes for our low-income students.
- **The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts** and **AileyCamp** partner with TAYB to transition low-income Ailey summer campers into school year training at TAYB's main site, at no cost to the students.
- **Polestar Pilates** provides rehabilitation Pilates to help dance students in need recover from injury.
- **Miami-Dade Transit** provides free transit passes to our dancers who qualify as "Transportation Disadvantaged."
- **PsycheSolutions, Inc.** provides mental health counseling to TAYB students. The **YES Institute** provides advocacy and counseling on gender/sexual orientation, and **Survivors Pathway** provides the same to students who have been victims of violent crimes.
- TAYB's Reading and Academic Success Partners include: **Project Rise, Florida International University,** and **Collaborative Classrooms**, plus individual site volunteers and college mentors.
- **University of Miami, Dance Department** provides students who volunteer to help struggling students with reading and math.
- **Hope for Miami:** through their Compass program, HFM brings age-appropriate group setting workshops, with topics that include bullying, responsible social media use, substance abuse, self-esteem and emotional wellbeing.
- **Thelma Gibson Health Initiative** connects our families access services related to health, housing, counseling and financial assistance.
- **Miami Dade County Public Schools, Department of School Choice** and **Parent Options:** assists us in finding the best academic environment for each of our students through the extensive MDCPS Magnet program.
- **The Jessie Trice Community Health Center:** offers free dental services for the students, on site, at Morningside K-8 School and Miami Gardens Elementary School.