
AFTER-SCHOOL ALL-STARS
SOUTH FLORIDA
South Florida After-School All-Stars
Night in the Tropics
Celebrating
30 YEARS
Friday, November 6, 2026
6:30pm
Jungle Island

Our Core Purpose

Our Mission

Our mission is to provide comprehensive after-school programs that keep children safe and help them succeed in school and life.

Our Vision

Our vision for our students is to be safe and healthy, to graduate from high school and pursue higher education, to find a career they love, and to give back to their communities.



Message from our Executive Director

Welcome to South Florida After-School All-Stars' 30th Anniversary Gala! It is an honor to share this special evening with you as we celebrate three decades of service, opportunity, and community. Tonight, we recognize not only an organizational milestone, but also the students, families, educators, and supporters who give our mission meaning. Thank you for being here and for making this night of celebration possible.

For 30 years, South Florida After-School All-Stars has been guided by a simple belief: every young person deserves a safe place to learn, grow, and discover what is possible. Through free, comprehensive after-school and summer programs, we help students succeed in school and life. Academic support, creative expression, health and wellness activities, and college and career exploration give young people opportunities to discover their strengths, build confidence, and imagine their futures.

This anniversary is an opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude. To our students and families, thank you for allowing us to be part of your lives. To our teachers, school partners, staff, and volunteers, thank you for supporting our mission. To our board members, donors, sponsors, and community partners, thank you for investing in the promise of our young people. Everyone gathered here tonight is part of this shared story.

As we look ahead, our commitment remains strong. We will continue working to sustain and strengthen the services students and families count on, respond to the needs of our community, and create meaningful opportunities for the next generation. With your continued partnership, we can carry this mission forward so that more young people have the support and encouragement to pursue their goals. Tonight, let us celebrate all that we have made possible together—and the possibilities still ahead. Thank you for joining us, for believing in our All-Stars, and for helping write the next chapter of South Florida After-School All-Stars. Enjoy this wonderful evening of celebration!

Jean Prospect

Executive Director, South Florida After-School All-Stars
& The FIU After-School All-Stars Program












A World of Possibility After School

South Florida After-School All-Stars

Since 1995, South Florida After-School All-Stars (SFASAS) has provided school-based after-school and summer programs for children in under-resourced communities. Each year, we serve more than 5,000 students across South Florida, from elementary through high school.

Our middle and high school programs are offered FREE, right at students' schools. We hire certified teachers to provide academic support and lead engaging activities that extend learning beyond the classroom. 91% of every dollar we raise goes directly to our programs and the children we serve.

Here, children are safe, welcomed, and encouraged—with caring educators and mentors who help them succeed, not just in school, but in life.

Our Reach Last Year

- 5,117 - Students served across 51 schools
- 88% - Qualified for free or reduced-price lunch
- 91% - Youth from historically underserved communities

What We Do

- **Academic Support**: Homework help and tutoring.
- **STEM**: Hands-on learning in coding, robotics, science, and technology.
- **Arts**: Music, dance, photography, and creative expression.
- **Health & Wellness**: Sports, physical education, cooking, nutrition, and mindfulness.
- **College & Career Exploration:** Mentorship, workplace and college visits, and preparation for the future.

Through these experiences, students build confidence, discover talents, develop friendships, and practice leadership.

For some, it's mastering a new skill. For others, the support they find here can change the course of their lives.

Every afternoon is an opportunity to discover what's possible.













Our History

South Florida After-School All-Stars (SFASAS) is part of a national organization dedicated to closing the opportunity gap for under-resourced youth.

OUR ORIGIN STORY

1990

President George Bush appoints Arnold Schwarzenegger as Chairman of the **President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports**



1992



Arnold Schwarzenegger and Danny Hernandez found **Inner-City Games Foundation**, bringing sports to under-resourced youth; the first chapter (Los Angeles) founded

2003

Inner-City Games expanded its mission to include school-based, comprehensive programs and changes name to **After-School All-Stars.**



OUR LOCAL CHAPTER

Since 1996, South Florida After-School All-Stars (SFASAS) has brought the national organization's vision to life in our community, helping young people discover their strengths, explore their interests, and imagine new possibilities for their futures.

For three decades, we have partnered with Miami-Dade County Public Schools, community organizations, and education leaders to provide free, high-quality after-school and summer programs for students in grades 6–12. Our approach supports the whole child through academic support, enrichment, health and wellness, mental health resources, and family engagement.

A defining chapter in our history began in 2014 with our partnership with Florida International University (FIU). Combining FIU's educational resources with SFASAS's proven approach to youth development, this collaboration has expanded opportunities for Miami-Dade's youth while strengthening connections between the university and our community. Through campus facilities, student mentors, and faculty expertise, FIU helps bring learning to life.

Last year alone, SFASAS served more than 5,000 underserved students across 51 sites. Through programs in STEAM, the arts, career exploration, mindfulness, academic readiness, and wellness, we help students build confidence and prepare for what comes next.

Our history is shaped by the students, families, educators, and partners who make this work possible. Together, with our partners and supporters, we continue to open doors and inspire young people to see a future filled with possibility - one All-Star at a time!

Tonight's Honorary Chair



Jeanette M. Nuñez

President
Florida International University

South Florida After-School All-Stars is honored to welcome **FIU President Jeanette M. Nuñez as our Gala Honorary Chair.** Her career in public service, higher education, and community leadership reflects a commitment to creating opportunities for Floridians.

President Nuñez began serving as interim president of Florida International University in February 2025 and was confirmed as its seventh president in June 2025. A proud two-time FIU alumna, she brings a longstanding connection to the university, where she has also served as an adjunct professor and guest lecturer.

Before joining FIU's leadership, President Nuñez served as Florida's Lieutenant Governor, first elected in 2018 and re-elected in 2022. Her responsibilities included oversight of the Florida Department of Health and leadership of statewide councils focused on aerospace, cybersecurity, and health care innovation.

Previously, she represented her community in the Florida House of Representatives from 2010 to 2018, serving as Speaker Pro Tempore and holding leadership roles in appropriations, higher education, health care, and hurricane preparedness. Her community involvement has included the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Miami, and numerous professional and civic organizations.

President Nuñez earned her Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Political Science and her Master of Public Administration from FIU.

As we celebrate our All-Stars, we thank President Nuñez for serving as Honorary Chair and FIU for its enduring partnership in helping South Florida's young people learn, grow, and envision bright futures.

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Night in the Tropics Gala

Celebrating 30 YEARS

6:30 PM	*Welcome to South Florida After-School A-Stars* *Cocktail Reception - Travel Auction - Raffle - Entertainment*
7:45 PM	*Ballroom Doors Open*
8:05 PM	*Program Begins*
8:45 PM	*Dinner is Served*
9:00 PM	*Ahora Loca* *Raffle Closes*
9:30 PM	*Dessert Served - Coffee Bar is Open* *Dancing*
11:00 PM	*Evening Concludes*

Thank you for attending this evening!
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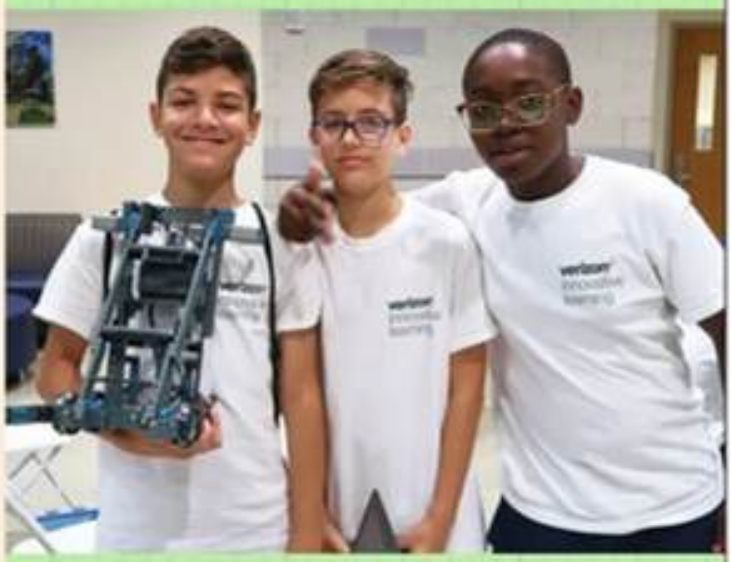


Board Chair
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RACE / ETHNICITY —



- Hispanic | Latino/a/e — **51%**
- Black | African American — **47%**
- Caucasian | White — **1%**
- Other Ethnicity — **1%**



At age 17, **Riane** is already a leader among her peers. Now an 11th grader at Miami Jackson Senior High School, she has been involved with After-School All-Stars since 6th grade at Georgia Jones-Ayers Middle School. Early on, Riane leaned into academic tutoring and enrichment opportunities. With support from All-Stars tutors and mentors, she strengthened her math skills and successfully completed Algebra in eighth grade, an accomplishment she credits to the program's guidance and encouragement. She also explored new interests through culinary classes and band, learning to play three instruments. Today, Riane continues to thrive in the program. She mentors younger students, coaches volleyball, and keeps building her passion for culinary arts. What began as support for her academic success has grown into a space where she now helps others succeed.



Riane

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STUDENTS

52
SITES

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Meet Our Emcee

Cristina Figarola

TV Host • Producer • Writer • Speaker



South Florida After-School All-Stars is delighted to welcome Cristina Figarola as our emcee for this special evening. A gifted storyteller with more than 25 years of experience, Cristina brings warmth, energy, and a passion for connecting with audiences to the gala stage.

Born in New York to Cuban parents with Mexican and Puerto Rican roots, Cristina draws on her rich cultural heritage and bilingual talents to inform, entertain, and inspire. Her career spans television, film, journalism, national advertising, and live events.

Cristina's accomplishments include guest-starring and recurring roles in more than 50 television and film projects, along with work as a live news reporter, producer, and writer for NBC 6/Telemundo 51. She has appeared in more than 70 national commercials and lent her voice to hundreds of radio campaigns. Audiences also know her through her hosting collaborations with NBC 6's "South Florida Live" and Telemundo 51's "Acceso Total."

A proud Florida International University alumna, Cristina earned a bachelor's degree in business administration with a minor in theater, an MBA in international business and marketing, and a master's degree in journalism. Before pursuing her passion for media, she spent seven years in private banking.

Guided by her faith and commitment to community, Cristina frequently lends her talents as a master of ceremonies for philanthropic events.

We are grateful to have her with us as we celebrate our students, honor our supporters, and come together as an All-Star family.

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discover their potential, and pursue their dreams.

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A Special Thank You to Graham Fandrei



South Florida After-School All-Stars
extends our heartfelt appreciation to **Graham Fandrei** for generously lending his voice and talent to our 30th Anniversary Gala video.

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Thank you, Graham, for helping us tell our story so beautifully!

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Celebrating 30 YEARS

On behalf of the children we serve, thank you for joining us, supporting their futures, and being a part of our All-Star family.



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