# ABOUT US Dreyfoos School of the Arts Foundation



#### **MISSION**

Founded in 1993, the mission of the Dreyfoos School of the Arts Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, is to enhance the art and academic programs at the internationally recognized Alexander W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts.

Funds raised by the Foundation provide for curriculum enhancements that cannot be funded through the Palm Beach County School District.

## DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION

We are committed to and accountable for advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion in all of its forms. We embrace individual uniqueness, foster a culture of inclusion that supports both broad and specific diversity initiatives, leverage the educational and institutional benefits of diversity, and engage all individuals to help them thrive. We value inclusion as a core strength and an essential element of our public service mission.



#### DREYFOOS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS FOUNDATION

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#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- RAY OF LIGHT: We give students with financial challenges hope and encouragement through the funding of needs and opportunities that would otherwise not be obtainable, such as art supplies, ballet slippers, music instruments, assistance for off-site learning opportunities, art/music lessons, and scholarships for summer study or college.
- ADJUNCT ARTISTS: We make up for state and local budget cuts that drastically impact the school by funding artists in residence, guest artists, and resident consultants to continue offering a world-class advanced arts curriculum in concert with a rigorous college preparatory program.
- <u>SCHOLARSHIPS</u>: We try to make higher education an opportunity for each and every student as paying for higher education is often a family's greatest challenge.

"DREYFOOS HAS ALLOWED ME TO LEARN FROM BRILLIANT ACADEMIC TEACHERS WITHOUT SACRIFICING MY LOVE FOR THE ARTS, I WILL CONTINUE TO USE THAT MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH IN COLLEGE, MY CAREER, AND BEYOND." ~ANGELA YAN, VALEDICTORIAN 2020



#### DREYFOOS AT A GLANCE

#### Art Programs

Communications

Dance

Digital Media

- Visual Arts
- Music Band, Piano, Strings, Vocal
- Theatre Acting, Technical, Musical Theatre

U.S. News & World Report's High Schools Rankings 1,396 Students With 100% Graduation Rate #2 in the District, #115 Nationally 45% Minority Enrollment 22% Low-income Enrollment

### 2020 STUDENT ACCOLADES

- U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts Winner
- 1st Place Pathfinder Award Winners for Music/ Vocal, Music/İnstrumental & Forensics/Speech
- 1st Place in Excellence in High School Journalism Awards for Writing - Editorial, Feature, & News, Photography, & General Excellence - Website
- DownBeat Magazine Student Music Award Winners for Bass Jazz Soloist, Small Jazz Combo, Large Jazz Ensemble & Latin Group
- Semi-finalist at The Tournament of Champions
- Honorable Mention with the NDEO's Artistic Merit Leadership & Academic Achievement Award





#### 2020 ALUMNI ACCOLADES

- Grammy Award Winner
- Academy Award Presenter
- Senior Advisor to U.S. Secretary of State
- Featured on Ellen DeGeneres & Jimmy Kimmel
- Netflix Comedy Stand-up Special star Actors in Modern Family, When Calls the Heart, Bless This Mess, and Broadway's Wicked
- Musician in The Juilliard School Orchestra conducted by Itzhak Perlman
- Film written, directed, & starring alumni selected for Nashville Film & LA Femme Film Festivals

Alexander W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts is a tuition-free magnet public high school serving a culturally diverse student body of artistically talented Palm Beach County students. In 2020, won the City of West Palm Beach's "Green My School" Award and the Kravis Center Dream Award for Musical Theatre.