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LaAmistad Inaugurates Trinity Anglican Church as an Afterschool Location



TRINITY LaAmistad Afterschool is thrilled to welcome [Trinity Anglican Church](#) as a new Afterschool location. This location will serve students on Monday and Thursday from 3:30 - 5:00 from one of our longest standing educational partners, [E Rivers Elementary School](#). The proximity of Trinity Anglican Church to the area where our families reside have allowed for more parent involvement and additional opportunities for us to realize our dedication to holistic programming that results in life-long self-sufficiency. Welcome Trinity Anglican Church!

PlayWorks Group Donates 22 Bikes through Local Corporate Team Building Events

[PlayWorks Group](#) is an Atlanta based company dedicated to creating memorable corporate team building events. They serve clients locally, regionally and internationally with the goal of fostering stronger

teams to realize specific goals.

Recently, PlayWorks Group collaborated with two major corporations through their Charity Team Building Program and as a result, LaAmistad was gifted



22 bicycles. These bicycles will serve as a year end recognition for students from each of the 10 Afterschool locations that have exhibited exemplary growth in both math and reading. Thank you PlayWorks Group for your dedication to fostering corporate responsibility!



For more information on Afterschool locations and volunteer opportunities

[Click here](#)



English for Successful Living (ESL) Continues to Flourish

English for Successful Living (ESL) has graduated over



5,000 adult language learners since its inception. Today, this program serves the community 6 days a week at [7 locations](#). Led by [Johanne Jean](#) and supported by hundreds of volunteers, lives are being changed and adults are being empowered.

With the leadership and insight of Jean, the curriculum focuses on the usage of English for everyday situations and provides preparation for academic purposes. Upon successfully completing the 3 year program, ESL graduates have the tools to meet their personal, academic and employment goals.

For more information on ESL locations and volunteer opportunities [Click here](#)

FROM THE DESK OF GABRIELA GONZALEZ-LAMBERSON

Albert Einstein's words, contemplative nature, dedication to life-long education and insight have always been a source of guidance in my life. Like Einstein, LaAmistad and it's programs change lives and create a path for a life filled with wonder and a joy for learning.



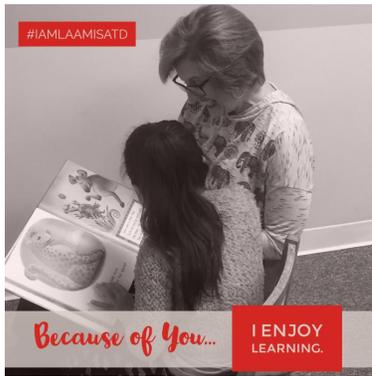
Albert Einstein was quoted as saying "*Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving.*" I have had the immense pleasure and honor of working with LaAmistad since 2015 and the journey has been life-changing. The lessons from the families, staff, board members and partners have impacted me exponentially. I feel incredibly blessed to have been a part of LaAmistad, however, as of the 19th of May, I will be closing my chapter as an employee to pursue other professional endeavors. I look forward to collaborating with this phenomenal organization in whatever capacity the future may hold.

Best Regards, and Keep Smiling

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LaAmistad Celebrates our Volunteers



The celebration and recognition of volunteerism was established in 1974 by President Nixon with the establishment of National Volunteer Week. The importance of volunteers and the focus on the impact made, it has turned into a month long celebration and culminating on the 22nd of April as National Volunteerism Day.

Volunteers are beyond primordial in the impact and realization of the mission of LaAmistad. We welcome you to celebrate our volunteers at our Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast on the 29th of April.

SATURDAY APRIL 29, 2017

Join us as we celebrate **VOLUNTEERS** of the year from Afterschool, ESL, Animate Summer Academy and Special programs.

Interested in attending this event? [Click Here](#)

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