

# DSATB NEWSLETTER

3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER EDITION



## AUGUST 21

We will be hosting our final art class on Sunday 8/21/22 at Center Place from 3pm-4pm. Join us at 619 Vonderburg Dr. Brandon, FL 33511. Let your kids express themselves artistically.

## SEPTEMBER 18

The 3.2.1 Art Gallery/Dinner will be for students and families that participated in at least one class this year. It will be held on 9/18/22 at Center Place at 3pm.

## OCTOBER 8

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Energize the Eagles 5k run, walk, jog will be 10/8/22 @ The Eagles, Odessa at 8am. T-Shirts are \$25, and proceeds benefit DSATB. Venmo @dorene-rettas and include your sizes.



### ENERGIZE THE EAGLES 5K RUN

The 5k run, walk, jog is free to participate, but you must purchase a t-shirt for each participant. The t-shirts are \$25 each and come in all different sizes. Please venmo @dorene-rettas and indicate your shirt sizes and the total amount. All proceeds raised by corporate sponsors and t-shirt sales will help benefit the Down Syndrome Association of Tampa Bay. We thank you all for your support. Come join us as we celebrate Down Syndrome Awareness Month in October.

## THE GALA IS BACK!

DSATB's Rise-Up for Down Syndrome 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala will be held on March 25, 2023, at the Barn at Winthrop. Doors open at 4pm. This is a black-tie affair. There will be dinner, drinks, dancing, and a silent auction. You don't want to miss it. Also join us witness a few community leaders receive advocacy awards including Fox 13's Emmy Award winning feature reporter Charley Belcher. Purchase your tickets today at [www.dsatb.org](http://www.dsatb.org) and click on the Gala.



### 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL DSATB BUDDY WALK

KIDDY UP RANCH

October is Down Syndrome Awareness Month and every year; we host our annual Buddy Walk. This year our advocacy walk will be held on Saturday October 18, 2022.

Please join us for a morning of celebration and fun as our entertainment will be provided by Bash Entertainment once again. Registration is free, however donations are being accepted. You can register to walk or donate at the website below. The Kiddy Up Ranch is located at 15232 Matis Rd. Hudson, FL 34669. [ds-stride.org/dsatbbuddywalk](http://ds-stride.org/dsatbbuddywalk)

### DSATB BUDDY WALK



**CRAIG WOODARD, SR.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT

The Down Syndrome Association of Tampa Bay was formed on February 23, 2018. Since then, we have been able to service the Down syndrome community in a wide variety of ways. We have distributed hardship grants, provided other financial assistance to many families, have provided resources to families and sent new parents care packages, we taught an Art Class for students to express themselves artistically funded by the county, passed out hundreds of free backpacks and school supplies and much, much more. On behalf of the board of directors, thank you to all the families and folks that have supported us throughout the years. We appreciate you and plan to keep changing the world one conversation at a time.

## A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT