GiGi's Playhouse™

Down Syndrome Achievement Centers
educate. inspire. believe.

## THE PURPOSE OF GIGI'S PLAYHOUSE

To change the way the world views Down syndrome and to send a global message of acceptance for all.

To see a world where individuals with Down syndrome are accepted and embraced in their families, schools and communities.

To change lives through consistent delivery of free educational, therapeutic-based and career development programs for individuals with Down syndrome, their families, and the community.

A lifetime commitment to families.

## GIGI'S SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

Amina Grace Speech & Language Program
1-on-1 Literacy & Math Tutoring
LMNOP Music & Sign Language
TeenTastic Social Club
GiGiFIT (Fitness Program)
GiGiU (Continuing Education)
GiGiProfessional (Career Development)

# GIGI'S PLAYHOUSE
## DOWN SYNDROME ACHIEVEMENT CENTERS

GiGi's Playhouse is the only nationwide network of Down Syndrome Achievement Centers. Our mission is to change the way the world views Down syndrome and send a global message of acceptance for all.

With 60 locations and startups throughout the United States and Mexico GiGi's offers FREE therapeutic, educational and career development programs for individuals with Down syndrome of all ages, their families and the community.

The organization is 99% volunteer-run, and all programs are 100% free to families. From prenatal diagnosis through career skills, GiGi's Playhouse makes a lifetime commitment to families.

With over 230,000 free program participation hours annually, GiGi's Playhouse helps participants thrive through building educational, developmental, fitness, fine and gross motor, socioemotional and speech and language skills.

For more information about free programs, volunteerism, and the many ways to support GiGi's Playhouse families please visit www.gigisplayhouse.org.

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# WHO WE ARE

GiGi's Playhouse Buffalo began as a startup location in 2018 with a team comprised of sitting board officers from area not-for-profits, successful business leaders and entrepreneurs, educators, therapists, religious leaders, and parent advocates and activists. Over a two-year span the team raised the capital to be sustainable for the long-term and to renovate a well-known Buffalo location into a gem of a facility for the community.

Our 8000 square foot space inlcudes a great room large enough to host group-based programs, conferences, meetings, and - with our built in stage - performances of all types. A teaching kitchen facilitates learning about nutrition, food preparation, and life-skills. Teenagers and adults with Down syndrome form friendship circles and participate in social events including movie night, karaoke singing, and more in our Club GiGi lounge. Our adult population continues their education in the GiGi University classroom.

The GitFit Gym is a place where individuals of all ages can participate in gross motor activities, physical therapy, fitness programs and therapeutic play while building self-confidence and knowledge of fun ways to keep their bodies active.

Our three 1-on-1 tutoring labs are practical, intimate, organized and engaging. They contain all the core materials latest technology necessary for literacy or math tutoring sessions.

## GIGI'S PLAYHOUSE BUFFALO

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