



Mrs. Diane Gwynn McWhorter

is a passionate, loving, faith-driven woman with many talents.

She will tell you she has high expectations for herself, staff, and students. This mentality has truly created incredible staff and students around her.

Mrs. Diane was born in Miami Fl and grew up in Delray Beach Fl. Mrs. Diane grew up in Delray before it had even been discovered. "We walked on the beach almost every day to swim. Delray had an amazing saltwater pool at the end of Atlantic Avenue fed by the ocean across the street. Sometimes we found fish swimming with us." states Mrs. Diane.



Mrs. Diane loved school growing up. She was in every play and musical since Kindergarten. My mom said I always found my way to the front and center of the stage.



Growing up Mrs. Diane was part of a Christian Singing Group called "The Arisers" and was able to travel and sing throughout the United States. Her High School Music teacher produced "My Fair Lady" just for her in her senior year. "I had the privilege of performing the lead role, Eliza Doolittle with a full orchestra!" Mrs. Diane shares this with a passionate voice and a big smile.

Mrs. Diane describes her childhood family life as "Camelot".



"Delray Beach was a very special small town to grow up in. I had parents that loved each other and loved us. They were extremely supportive of myself and my 2 sisters. My sisters were world-class baton twirlers and twirled for the University of Florida."

Mrs. Diane was Homecoming Queen at Atlantic High School. She later became Miss Palm Beach County, Miss University of Florida, and a finalist for the Miss Florida Pageant. Ms. Diane took her financial earnings of Miss Florida Pageant and worked singing in Dinner Theaters during the summer months. She saved up enough money to pay her own way through college at the University of Florida and Peabody Conservatory of Music.



Mrs. Diane won the Metropolitan Opera Competiton. Once she graduated with her Bachelor's Degree, Ms. Diane had the privilege of singing the National Anthem for the Inaugural Season of the Florida Marlins and received a standing ovation from the audience and players. Billy, the Marlin Mascot told Ms. Diane it was the best rendition of The National Anthem he had ever heard. Ms. Diane also had the privilege of singing the National Anthem for the NHL hockey League, The Panthers, where they rolled out a red carpet for Ms. Diane to stand on and sing.



Mrs. Diane performed in Central Park with the New York Grand Opera in Madame Butterfly and an incredible highlight was performing her very own One Woman Show on Broadway while performing in New York. She also performed with Roberta Petters with the Orlando Opera and had an amazing opportunity to perform in Austria as well.

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While performing at Musicana Dinner Theater in Melbourne Florida, she met Mr. Ed, and said, "I knew he was the one forever." **Mrs. Diane was head over heels with her "soon-to-be husband" Mr. Ed, an Air Force Veteran. She had said to her "soon to be husband" Mr. Ed knowing he was thinking about proposing, "I much prefer a grand piano over an engagement ring" and the next morning, her beautiful Grand Piano was waiting for her. This piano now has their wedding date engraved as a special memorabilia in which it is also used at Mrs. Diane's school. 44 years later, one child (now an adult) and two grandchildren, they still love to share that story about their proposal and she looks at it every day in the hallways of the studio/school. When Mrs. Diane and Mr. Ed lived in Manhattan, they later learned to snow ski on their time off. During her "One Woman Broadway Show" in NY, she was allowed to rehearse in a Vermont Ski Lodge in trade for free Skiing. That is a very fun memory for Mrs. Diane and Mr. Ed.**

Mrs. Diane as a teacher is focused, and passionate, and has high expectations for her students to be their very best. It is important to her that they perform in the Recitals and enjoy the fulfillment of a job well done.

On Mrs. Diane's personal time, this successful Broadway beauty queen loves to fish salt and fresh water with her husband. She can back up a boat trailer and drive an airboat which Mr. Ed and Mrs. Diane love to take out their airboat on the weekends. Mrs. Diane does not have any pets at this time, but she does have a swamp chicken that comes to her at her house just from the sound of her voice and she feeds him by hand. They have a special connection.

Mrs. Diane is one of a kind. She runs two businesses, the Boynton Beach School Of Music, Dance & Drama AND the Boynton Beach School Of The Performing Arts K-5. She is a woman of many gifts, talents and skills. Her love for everyone at the studio past and present, her faith, her country, and her family is indescribable.

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