



Yaneli is joined by Little Dreamer Junior Board members from BHS (from left) Ellery Sterling, Jayne Bauer, Sarah Morin, and Ava Currie. (Not pictured: Gaby Cossio, Karlie Kotel, and Megan Miller.)  
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Yaneli's family



## Making Lifelong Memories

LITTLE DREAMER'S MISSION is to bring a personalized birthday party to a District 220 or a Saint Anne Parish School student who has demonstrated commitment to their education and home life. The charitable foundation works towards throwing a birthday party each year within the school calendar for a young one who "dreams big" for their special day. The concept was created to support children whose families may be facing hardships due to job loss, major medical bills, or other financial challenges and for whom a birthday party otherwise wouldn't happen. Essays are submitted for consideration. For its first year, Little Dreamer held two parties on the same day in March.

"As you see from the photos, this was quite the day for two children who are very deserving of a special birthday party," Christina Currie said. Currie is the owner of Christina Currie Events, which founded the nonprofit with the help of her daughter, Ava, and Barrington High School students who help at the parties. "The children are both dedicated students at Sunny Hill Elementary in Barrington District 220 and are great role models for their peer groups. Yaneli's party was brought to life at my client's private polo arena with a live 'unicorn' at the end of the party as the grand finale. Her essay expressed that she wanted a rainbow/unicorn party. Matthew's party was held at a gym. His essay expressed he wanted to play soccer with his friends and learn new moves, and BHS students helped out at his party. He wanted everything to be green for his party with a soccer theme," she said. Currie relies on her large network of vendors who assist the events and offer their support. Together, the Little Dreamer team helps to bring a lifelong memory to a deserving child in our school district. To learn more, visit [www.littledreamer.org](http://www.littledreamer.org).

### Yaneli's Party Details

Truffleberry Market-Caterer  
Marquee Rental-Dishes and Linen  
Touch of Sweets-Cake  
My Sweet Kake-Cupcakes  
Anthony's Balloons-Balloons  
Artists, Events & Entertainment-Face Painter  
Lenswork Studio-Photographer  
Fleur De Lis Salon-Hair  
Christina Currie Events-Planners  
Charmant-Invitations  
Private donors for centerpieces, photo booth props, and party favors



BHS students joined Matthew's soccer party.



**Matthew's Party Details**

- Primo Pizza-Caterer
- Touch of Sweets-Cupcakes
- My Sweet Kake-Cookies
- Nothing Bundt Cakes-Birthday Cake
- Anthony's Balloons-Balloons
- Artists, Events & Entertainment-Magician
- Christina Currie Events-Planners
- Charmant-Invitations
- Private donors for soccer balls and party favors

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