

Allegro Through The Years...



2000
Founder/President, Pat Farmer, launches the very first movement education program on the East Coast, a relocation of the original Pacific Foundation which she founded in 1991. 8 students with disabilities enrolled in this first class at Sardis Presbyterian Church.

2001
Allegro launches the first ever literacy-based movement education programs for preschool students at-risk with unidentified disabilities **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 88 students with disabilities, 100 volunteers.



2002
Allegro Foundation makes history as the first organization in our nation's history to present at **The White House**, showing our nation's leaders what children with disabilities CAN do, while generating national recognition and credibility for Allegro's techniques. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 164 students with disabilities, 200 Volunteers.

2003
Allegro launches pilot research in collaboration with Dr. Pierce Howard of the Center for Applied Cognitive Studies and author of *The Owner's Manual for the Brain*.

2004
Allegro is invited to present our movement education techniques at an International Conference in Washington, DC.



2005
Allegro's students with disabilities demonstrate what individuals with disabilities CAN do with a presentation at **Walter Reed Army Medical Center** for soldiers wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 349 students with disabilities, 400 Volunteers.

2006
President Bush requests Allegro Foundation's students with disabilities present movement education techniques at a private party for U.N. Ambassadors from across the globe in the State Dining Room of the **White House**. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 407 students with disabilities, 500 Volunteers.



2007
From the outgrowth of Allegro's First Annual 2010 Ambassador's Ball, more than 500 children with disabilities, alongside 600+ volunteers, will enroll in Allegro's FREE classes this year!



2008
Allegro Foundation is officially located in 2 states! In the summer of 2013, Allegro partnered with Rock Hill Parks and Recreation's Camp Arc in Rock Hill, SC and held 3 programs a week throughout the summer. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 700 students and 700 volunteers.

2009
Allegro enters South Carolina schools with a class at Gold Hill Elementary in Fort Mill School District.



2010
Allegro expands into 3 schools in Huntersville, North Carolina!

2011
Allegro celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the Ambassador's Ball by honoring the country of Ireland! This event was started by Gilles Noghes, former Ambassador of Monaco to the United States.

2012
The worldwide COVID-19 pandemic halts Allegro programs for the first time in our history; staff works remotely to update the Allegro promotional video, create a brand new website, strengthen our Movement Education curriculum and our assessment/evaluation techniques, keep up-to-date on new research developments, and to plan our 2020 September Golf Tournament. In addition, over the summer, Allegro Staff added Red Cross & CDC/COVID-19 safety training to their list of credentials!

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Allegro expands to add a FREE weekly movement education program at Metro, a public school in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 28 students with disabilities, 30 Volunteers

2001
Allegro's first movement education program at Carolinas Medical Center empowers medically fragile children with disabilities to enroll and participate safely for the first time. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 132 students with disabilities, 150 Volunteers

2002
The U.S. State Department and the Library of Congress partner with Allegro as a training resource for national and international education and medical delegations (ongoing). Allegro is slated as a national expert in teaching children with disabilities, and international representatives frequently travel to Charlotte to learn our movement education techniques.

2003
Partnerships established with UNC-Charlotte, Central Piedmont Community College, and other Universities (ongoing).

2004
First Lady Laura Bush requests second presentation by Allegro's students with disabilities at the **White House**. **Total Organization Enrollment:** 207 students with disabilities, 215 Volunteers.

2005
40 Charlotte-Mecklenburg public school teachers enroll in Allegro's Continuing Education Program to earn CEU Credit Hours as the first outside school district sanctioned provider.

2006
Allegro adds nurse training and rotation programs at Queens University and Presbyterian Hospital. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 363 students with disabilities, 400 Volunteers.

2007
Allegro launches an extensive research project, "20 years in the making", to scientifically validate Allegro's movement education techniques. **Total Organization Enrollment:** 500 students with disabilities, 600 Volunteers.

2008
Allegro was in need of a new home and Southside Baptist Church was able to provide one at the rate of \$1 a year for 10 years! They also provided a temporary location while our new office was being renovated. **Total Organization-Wide Enrollment:** 500 students and 700 volunteers

2009
Allegro's new home was in dire need of repair. Lowe's Home Improvement heard about our situation and selected Allegro as their 2012 Lowe's Heroes of the Year. Chip Farmer, owner of SCCH Construction, and Corey Carpenter of Lowe's headed the project. They renovated most of the new office completely free of charge!

2010
Allegro's new home is completed and the Grand Opening of the new office takes place.

2011
Allegro signs Carolina Panther player Kony Ealy as their official spokesperson for the 2016-2017 NFL season!

2012
Allegro launches innovative nurse training and rotation programs in partnership with Atrium Health and the College of Health Sciences.

