

# Le Jardin Distinguished Alumni



**Ruby**

**Irizarry**

Ruby attended Le Jardin C.C., Inc. from 1993 through 1995. She attended Campbell Drive Elementary from 1995 through 2001 where she obtained outstanding recognition by receiving numerous certificates and trophies for academic excellence, making A-B Honor Roll every year, and becoming captain of the Safety Patrol.

During her middle school years (2001 - 2004), she attended Campbell Drive Middle School. She became the President of DFYIT Club (Drug-Free Youth In Town Club) during her 7th and 8th grade. She later attended South Dade Sr. High School and graduated in 2008, making top 25% in her class and winning Miss Hispanidad in her Junior year.

Moving on to college, Ruby obtained an Associate's Degree from Miami Dade College with a major in Pre-Nursing and minor in Psychology all while becoming a mother. Ruby then transferred to Florida International University where she obtained a Bachelor's Degree with a major in Health Service Administration and minor in Psychology as well as making the Dean's List and becoming a mother of now, two.

Ruby has worked for Le Jardin as a substitute, moving her way up to Health Facilitator, and then Family Worker. In addition to attending and then working for Le Jardin, she was a Le Jardin parent while both her sons attended Early Head Start and Head Start. Ruby is returning to school in New York City to obtain her degree in nursing with hopes and dreams of becoming a neonatal nurse for a children's hospital.