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Dr. Tammi McMillan, a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, received her Doctorate in Education from Point Park University and is a member of Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority Inc. Dr McMillan formerly served as the Director of Educational Services for Hosanna House Inc (HHI) and an Adjunct Professor at West Moreland Community College. Currently Dr. McMillan serves as the Director of the Early Childhood Apprenticeship Hub at Carlow University where her goal is to transform tomorrow today, by impacting multiple generations through her work.

Pulling on her research, Dr. McMillan utilized Critical Race Theory, Culturally Relevant Pedagogy, and Urban Education to design, implement, multiple professional development modules for teaching staff and children. Dr. McMillan, has architected and executed a transformational strategy across all staff and children, igniting change and growth in over 400 students and 50 staff members. With a commitment to lifelong learning, Dr. McMillan has traveled across the country attending trainings, cultivating partnerships, and establishing herself as the face of HHI Educational Services in the field. These relationships have allowed HHI to implement a state-of-the-art Makers Space, and rise as a high performing private nursery school. While working with HHI and partner organizations, she developed a high-quality facility for children in at-risk communities and implemented individualized growth plans for all staff. All of which lead to an increase in funding, enrollment, and family satisfaction.

As an advocate of both social justice, quality early learning and education, Dr. McMillan has a strong passion for outreach and advocacy for children in fragile communities. She believes that every child is entitled to a quality life and education. One of her favorite quotes by John Dewey "If we teach today's students as we taught yesterdays, we rob them of tomorrow."