

MEET MIKEYA DUNNIGAN

Mikeya Renee Dunnigan a native of Prince George's County MD is joining IT TAKES TWO, INC Board of Directors as a "success story" of how hard work comes full circle. Mikeya is a two-time *Tools For Success Scholarship* recipient with passion to start her own nonprofit organization in the near future.

Mikeya attended public school her entire academic career starting out in varying PG County public schools, graduating from Charles Herbert Flowers High School with honors in 2015. Post high school, Mikeya attended The Pennsylvania State University where she studied Psychology and Sociology. Mikeya joined various organizations that drove her passion for leadership. During her time at Penn State, Mikeya found a passion for behavior and working with individuals with Autism and Disabilities. Mikeya was awarded her dual degrees from Penn State in December 2018.

In Fall 2019, Mikeya began graduate school at Michigan State University studying Applied Behavior Analysis, the study of the principles of behavior and the leading science to treat children with Autism and Intellectual Disabilities. Mikeya pursued her credentialing with the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, the field's international governing body. Upon being awarded her Master's degree in May 2021, Mikeya began her work as a Board Certified Behavior Analyst and Licensed Behavior Analyst in the state of Maryland.

Ms. Dunnigan has been working as a clinician for over a year directly helping children of color with Autism in the DC-MD Region. Mikeya has a direct passion to help children of color get access to effective and safe treatment for Autism and other disabilities. Mikeya also uses trauma sensitive and compassionate care in her therapy approach with clients and their families. Ms. Dunnigan has the ultimate career goal to open a multispecialty clinic where children of color in low income situations can get free therapy resources, trauma counseling, ABA therapy services, academic tutoring, and mentorship while providing assistance with basic resources to the families as well.

Mikeya is a 25 year old with a vigor for leadership, teaching, and second chances. The future is bright and Mikeya is excited to give back to IT TAKES TWO, INC where the pivot to her success began!

