

DANIELLE MOSS



Dr. Danielle R. Moss brings a deep commitment to educational equality and social justice to her role as CEO at The Oliver Scholars after having served a year as Chief of Staff at The New York Civil Liberties where she was recruited to help the organization's leadership solidify its strategy for managing unprecedented growth and solidify a diversity, equity, and inclusion framework to inform the organization's work.

Before joining NYCLU, Dr. Moss served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the YWCA of the City of New York for five years, where she leveraged over two decades of experience in education and human services to put the YWCA back at the forefront of the conversation on women and girls in New York City. Under her tenure, the YWCA of the City of New York expanded its program portfolio to include a women's speaker series for professional women, girls' leadership programs, STEM education for girls and young women, and increased advocacy for women and girls in New York City. In 2015, these efforts were recognized when the Speaker of New York's City Council, Melissa Mark-Viverito, asked her to Co-Chair the NY City Council's Young Women's Initiative, a citywide effort to remove the systemic barriers to achievement that disproportionately effect girls of color. And, in 2016, Mayor DeBlasio appointed her to the city's newly established Commission on Gender Equity.

She began her career as a teacher in the Bronx and Brooklyn, and has previously served as President and CEO of the Harlem Educational Activities Fund (HEAF), Adjunct Assistant Professor of Urban Youth Policy at CCNY, Director for Community and Parent Partnerships at The After-School Corporation, and Consulting Project Director for The Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth. Given her ongoing commitment to women and girls of color, she launched The Ebony Vanguard in 2017. The EV is an intergenerational organization dedicated to power, progress, and play for women and girls of the African Diaspora. Dr. Moss was co-founder and lead applicant of Sisulu-Walker Children's Academy – Harlem Charter School (the first authorized charter school in the state of New York), and has previously served on multiple boards. She is currently on the board of The New York Women's Foundation.

She received her B.A. in English Literature and History with a concentration in Black Studies from Swarthmore College, and holds M.A. and Ed.M. degrees from Teachers College Columbia University, where she also completed her Doctorate in Organization and Leadership with a focus on Education Administration. She holds Certificates in Nonprofit Management from the business schools of Columbia, Harvard, and Stanford. Dr. Moss also holds a Certificate in Fundraising Management from Indiana University, The Fundraising School. In 2018, she did her first TED Talk at TEDWomen 2018 in Palm Springs, California.

