

Veronica Garcia has spent much of her life in service to others; from her humble roots in Trinidad & Tobago where she cared for her siblings, to her time spent in Venezuela tending to numerous families, all the way to Brooklyn, NY, where she has dedicated the last 25 years to improving her community through the power of early childhood education.

While working full time and raising a family of her own, Veronica earned her Bachelors of Arts in Sociology from Brooklyn College. With a unique mix of formal and informal education, bolstered by a heart of compassion and powered by a deep love of Christ, Veronica cultivates children through education, interpersonal activities and a diversely nutritious diet. Her methods' success became increasingly evident as local elementary schools began forgoing the required gifted class placement exams for children transitioning out of her daycare. Although they physically leave her daycare, her children and their families are never completely out of her care. Veronica follows each of their paths to ensure their continued success and provide resources when needed. For example, dating back to her inaugural group of children, they have graduated from top colleges and received numerous accolades for scholastic achievement, poetry, and more!

Desiring more success stories but limited by capacity regulations, Veronica began working with the State of New York to enable the next generation of educators, to not only identify a child's best qualities and potential areas of concern, but to also effectively communicate ongoing assessments to parents in a way that fosters understanding and action.

One could say Veronica has modeled her life's work after the ancient African proverb, "it takes a village to raise a child". Not only has she used her vast childcare knowledge and experience to cultivate the minds and hearts of all the children who've come under her care, but she has keenly identified and trained numerous professionals to be responsible educators with integrity. Veronica's extraordinary service to her surrounding communities are not just evident in the lives of the children she's personally touched, but also in the villages she's empowered to be a blessing to children whose names she may never know.