Velvet Tanner has dedicated 25 years to the Binghamton City School District, where she currently serves as the Director of Special Services for CPSE and elementary programs (K-5). Her previous roles have included those of a collaborative coach, curriculum specialist, and special education teacher. Her leadership fosters a student-centered culture, advocating for each learner's potential and customizing support to help them thrive. A key to her success is her collaborative nature. She builds bridges between general education and special education teams, ensuring that student support is integrated, well-resourced, and tailored to individual needs. Velvet plays a critical role in district-wide initiatives aimed at improving special education outcomes for the Binghamton City School District.