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In a [College of Education](#) podcast, Lisa Harrell, [Governors State University](#) Board of Trustees Chair, explains why education is the guiding principle in her life and work, and provides strategies that could help retain educators in a field experiencing extreme shrinkage.

Harrell is Chief People Officer at Cleveland Avenue LLC., a private equity firm with a mission to foster growth for a new generation of entrepreneurs in the food and beverage industry. She also serves in a variety of other leadership roles that center on closing

equity gaps and professional development. A native of Chicago's South Side, Harrell said she was positioned for success as a child.

"I grew up down the street from Chicago State University ... and I know, for a fact, that education was my role to do something greater and bigger. My education is not something that can be taken away from me."

The "Teaching and Learning: Theory versus Practice" podcast series, with production assistance from the [Center for Community Media](#) (CCM) at GSU, covers topics from homeschooling to bilingual education, each with a different guest speaker drawn from administrators, teachers, authors, alumni, and educator preparation providers every week.

Listen to Chair Harrell's "[Finding Alignment for Professional Passions with Ms. Lisa Harrell](#)" [here](#). More episodes of the "[Teaching and Learning: Theory versus Practice](#)" podcast hosted by Dr. Amy Vujaklija and Dr. Joi Patterson are available on Amazon, Apple, and Listen Notes platforms.