The **BOOST COLLABORATIVE** is a purpose-driven company committed to creating opportunities for change in educational and social services agencies serving youth in the *out-of-school time* hours. We support out-of-school time professionals through quality professional development opportunities, program and resource development, building community partnerships, promoting the importance of quality *out-of-school time* programming, opportunities to share promising practices, and a variety of consulting services. By supporting your organization, together, we make a difference.
For more than 23 years, Tia Quinn has worked at all levels of programming in the field of after school and expanded learning, supporting out-of-school time programs throughout the nation via training, technical assistance, quality assurance, and program development.

Tia fell in love with after school programs in 1992 while working in Hartford, CT as an art teacher and later the Program Director in the Asylum Hill community. Tia spent the first part of her west coast experience working at an after school program and later as a Program Director, overseeing programming at 65 before and after school programs through Harmonium Children’s Services, one of the largest after school providers in California. Tia also served for 5 years as the Co-Lead for Region 9 Technical Assistance Center, After School Programs at the San Diego County Office of Education. In this capacity, she supported over 600 after school program sites in San Diego, Orange and Imperial Counties, serving over 100,000 students annually. While in this role, Tia managed numerous regional and statewide committees and after school initiatives.

In the regional lead capacity, Tia and her team were the 2005 recipients of the California School Board Association’s Golden Bell Award for Partnerships and Collaboratives as well as the Cities, Counties, and Schools (COS) Partnership Award 2005. Additionally, Tia is the recipient of the 2001 Director of the Year, awarded by Mentor San Diego; the California School-Age Consortium’s 2006 Award of Excellence, Program Administrator of the Year; the 2013 STEVIE® Bronze Award for Women In Business, Female Executive of the Year – Business Services; the 2014 STEVIE® Bronze Award for Women In Business, Maverick of the Year; the 2014 STEVIE® Bronze Award for Women In Business, Most Innovative Company under 10 Employees; Finalist for Gamechanger at the 2015 Women of Influence Awards; winner of Eternal Flame Award, San Diego County Office of Education’s Women in Prevention; winner in the Small Education Category, San Diego Business Journal's 2015 Most Admired CEO Award. BOOST Collaborative recently won 2015 Best in Biz’s Company of the Year, International award and Tia was named Best Entrepreneur or Founder (Woman) Gold winner in the 2015 Golden Bridge Business and Innovation Awards.

She serves on the Board of Directors for ASAPconnect, Santa Clara, CA and Think Red Project in San Diego, CA. Tia is also a member of Entrepreneur’s Organizations’ Accelerator program and is eagerly pursuing her mission and creativity to take her ideas and company to the next level.
As an Out-of-School Time Consultant, Tia presents customized workshops and staff development seminars at numerous local, state and national conferences. Tia works closely with school district administrators, CEO’s, non-profit agencies, program directors, supervisors, and line staff to increase student retention, promote academic achievement, and overall student success through quality, engaging staff development opportunities.

Tia is currently the Founder and CEO of the BOOST (Best of Out-of-School Time) Collaborative, a purpose-driven organization supporting global out-of-school time professionals through state-of-the-art professional development opportunities, program and resource development, and community partnership advancement. BOOST advocates for quality out-of-school time programming, offers opportunities to share promising practices, and provides a variety of training and consulting services.

Tia is also the founder of the annual BOOST Conference in Palm Springs, California, the largest global convening for after school, expanded learning, and out-of-school time educators, supporting all levels of key stakeholders to initiate change and inspire quality programming. The BOOST conference includes over 150 workshops, 100 Exhibitors, Film Festival, 5-mile Tour de BOOST charity walk/run, Town Hall meetings, Master Classes, networking opportunities and special events.

Most recently, Tia founded MARS (Music, Arts, Rhythm, Social Change) Experience bringing together socially responsible organizations, artists, musicians, crafters, filmmakers, authors, and poets to inspire and create action locally and globally.

Tia is passionate about creating positive change for today’s youth as well as the people, communities, and partners supporting them in the out-of-school time hours. She mentors several young women, loves driving her electric golf cart around San Diego and is always seeking new travel and food adventures with friends.
Tia Quinn

2001
WINNER: DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR
Mentor San Diego
Tia Quinn

2005
WINNER: GOLDEN BELL AWARD FOR PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIVES
California School Board Association

2006
WINNER: AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR
California School-Age Consortium
Tia Quinn

2013
BRONZE WINNER: FEMALE EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR
Stevie Awards for Women in Business
Tia Quinn

2014
BRONZE WINNER: MAVERICK OF THE YEAR
Stevie Awards for Women in Business
Tia Quinn

2014
BRONZE WINNER: MOST INNOVATIVE COMPANY (UNDER 10 EMPLOYEES)
Stevie Awards for Women in Business
BOOST Collaborative

2015
MOST ADMIRED CEO
San Diego Business Journal
Tia Quinn

ETERNAL FLAME AWARD - WOMEN IN PREVENTION
San Diego County Office of Education
Tia Quinn

AWARD OF APPRECIATION
Health Sciences High and Middle College, Inc. (HSHMC)
Tia Quinn

COMPANY OF THE YEAR - INTERNATIONAL
Best in Biz
BOOST Collaborative

BEST ENTREPRENEUR OR FOUNDER (WOMAN) GOLD WINNER
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2015 Page Views: 70,155
2015 Unique Views: 36,657
Average Monthly Page Views: 4,471
Average Monthly Unique Views: 3,818

BOOST CONFERENCE
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Average Monthly Page Views: 12,316
Average Monthly Unique Views: 2,817

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BOOST Conference Presents Out-of-School Time Innovations Award

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. APRIL 25, 2014 — Every year, the BOOST Conference honors an innovative out-of-school time individual or program serving students, families and communities. Carla Sanger, M.Ed is this year’s OSTI Award honoree, with the timing impeccable as she is retiring in November 2014.

Sanger will be stepping down from her position as the CEO and President of LA’s BEST (Better Educated Students for Tomorrow) After School Enrichment Program. Sanger served on numerous after school quality and evaluation advisory committees and task forces for the U.S. Department of Education, the State of California, and the County of Los Angeles. She will continue to remain a prominent and nationally recognized advocate of after school programs.

"Recognition by peers who know how hard it is to sustain and grow quality Expanded Learning experiences for children is the most-valuable award of all," Carla Sanger said, referring to her Lifetime Achievement award for Out of School Time Innovators from the BOOST Conference. "Mayor Tom Bradley was the lodestar for LA’s BEST and I gratefully accept this honor in tribute to him."

The OSTI awards presentation will be held on Wednesday, April 30 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. following the general session.

The BOOST Conference takes place at the Palm Springs Convention Center from April 29 to May 2, 2014. The conference tagline “Inspire Youth, Inspire Learning, Inspire Change” will be emanate through the variety of learning opportunities, including the Film Festival, Inspiration Stations, Master Classes and other informative, interactive features the conference offers to provide professional development and resources for out-of-school time educators.

For more information, please visit http://www.boostconference.org.
BOOST Conference Boosts its Impact with Presentations by Jack Andraka, John Hunter, Scott Barry Kaufman and Sandy Hook Promise

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. APRIL 25, 2014 — The BOOST Conference, taking place at the Palm Springs Convention Center from April 29 to May 2, 2014, will feature prominent speakers true to its mission to “Inspire Youth, Inspire Learning, Inspire Change.”

This conference hosted by BOOST (Best of Out-of-School Time) Collaborative highlights resources, promising practices and the latest innovations for afterschool time educators.

The workshop by the Sandy Hook Promise called “Preventing Violence and Protecting Our Children,” will be led by Wayne Sakamoto, director of Safe Schools at Murrieta Valley Unified School District, who has more than 30 years experience working in the arena of school safety and violence prevention. Sakamoto will explore the ways in which programs and training can help reduce violence in schools. Nicole Hockley, mother of six-year-old Dylan who was killed in the tragic mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary, will also present at this workshop as she shares her story and personal promise to protect our children.

Jack Andraka, a high school student from Maryland, is also on the lineup of influential speakers at this year’s BOOST Conference. In Andraka’s presentation entitled “Tapping into the Hidden Innovator,” he will give his testimonial on creating a novel paper sensor to detect pancreatic and ovarian cancer at the young age of 15.

The Meet the Authors event will provide an up close and personal interaction with the BOOST Conference Keynote Speakers, John Hunter and Scott Barry Kaufman, as well as many other distinguished authors.

John Hunter is a teacher and educational consultant who believes that fourth graders have the ability to solve world peace and as a result, founded the World Peace Game. In his book, “World Peace and Other Fourth-Grade Achievements,” Hunter reflects on his experiences and provides an insightful outlook on the possibilities of our youth.

Author of "Ungifted: Intelligence Redefined," Scott Barry Kaufman, PhD will host a lecture entitled “From Evaluation to Inspiration: Why the Culture of the Classroom is Broken, and How to Fix It.” In his book, he explains the potential of different mindsets, proclaiming even the “ungifted” are talented.

“Our team at the BOOST Collaborative is thrilled to have John Hunter and Scott Barry Kaufman keynote at the 2014 BOOST Conference,” Tia Quinn, CEO of BOOST Collaborative said. “They will be a motivating and inspiring force to all our attendees. These speakers truly embody the mission of the conference as they provide challenging, innovative alternatives to learning in the out-of-school time hours.”

For more information, please visit www.boostconference.org.
BOOST Conference Emphasizes Importance of Summer Learning With Summer Matters Workshop Strand

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. APRIL 24, 2014 — The BOOST Conference, the largest global convening and most comprehensive conference for after school and out-of-school time professionals, will stress the importance of continuing to educate youth during the summer.

The BOOST Conference will include a Summer Matters workshop strand sponsored by Partnership for Children and Youth, which will provide tools for summer program enhancement. Summer Matters is the first statewide campaign focused on providing access to high quality summer learning for California students. Chaired by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson, Summer Matters works to combat the negative effects of discontinued education throughout the summer such as increase in sedentary time, learning loss, and more.

“Summer learning programs lead to greater student achievement, increased engagement, an improved school climate, and help build the skills needed to excel at all of the Common Core State Standards,” an excerpt from the Summer Matters website.

The tagline of the BOOST Conference, “Inspire Youth, Inspire Learning, Inspire Change” is also supported through the various other informative and interactive workshops offered to improve out-of-school time and after school programs. Workshops range from resources for STEM/STEAM learning to embracing inclusion and diversity.

The BOOST Conference will take place at the Palm Springs Convention Center from April 29 to May 2, 2014. This conference aims to provide professional development and resources for out-of-school time educators.

For more information, please visit http://www.boostconference.org.
BOOST COLLABORATIVE AND CEO/FOUNDER TIA QUINN NAMED BRONZE FINALISTS IN 11th ANNUAL STEVIE® AWARDS FOR WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Stevie Award Winners Announced in New York on November 14

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. – Nov. 17, 2014 – BOOST Collaborative was named a Bronze Finalist in the Most Innovative Company category in the 11th annual Stevie® Awards for Women in Business. The CEO/Founder, Tia Quinn, also received Bronze recognition for the category Maverick of the Year, which recognizes the achievements of female individuals who have affected positive change on their companies and/or industries.

The Stevie Awards for Women in Business honor women executives, entrepreneurs, employees and the companies they run – worldwide. The Stevie Awards have been hailed as the world’s premier business awards.

Gold, Silver and Bronze Stevie Award winners were announced during a gala event at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York on Friday, November 14.

More than 1,200 entries were submitted this year for consideration in more than 90 categories, including Executive of the Year, Entrepreneur of the Year, Women Helping Women, and Communications Campaign of the Year.

“Every year we receive the most amazing and inspiring stories of achievement from women-owned and –run organizations around the world,” said Michael Gallagher, founder and president of the Stevie Awards. “The first-round judges have told us how delighted they are with this year’s field of Finalists.”

Finalists were chosen by more than 100 business professionals worldwide during preliminary judging.

“We are honored and humbled to be selected by the Stevie Awards for both of these prominent awards and to be among such brilliant women awardees,” BOOST Collaborative CEO/Founder Tia Quinn said. “We love what we do and are grateful to work collaboratively with exceptional organizations nationwide to make a difference. We will continue to do work worthy of this recognition from Stevie Awards.”

Details about the Stevie Awards for Women in Business and the list of Finalists in all categories are available at www.StevieAwards.com/Women.

About The Stevie Awards
General Information About BOOST Collaborative:

- BOOST stands for Best of Out-of-School Time
- Tagline is Redefining Leadership in Out-of-School Time™
- Founded in September 2008
- Offers training and technical assistance with more than 30 training topics
- Hosts a monthly professional development Twitter Chat called #BOOSTChat among out-of-school time and youth development educators hosted by world-class experts on cutting-edge educational topics
- Website is www.boostcollaborative.org

General Information About the BOOST Conference:

- 2015 BOOST Conference served 2,194 attendees, 44 states, 2 countries
- Conference Tagline: Inspire Youth, Inspire Learning, Inspire Change
- Largest global convening of out-of-school time professionals
- Located at the Palm Springs Convention Center, 277 N Avenida Caballeros, Palm Springs, CA 92262
- The conference annually presents the OSTI (Out-of-School Time Innovations) Awards. The OSTI Awards honor out-of-school time individuals and programs that are providing innovative approaches to support students, families and communities
- BOOST Film Festival features six films highlighting relevant topics in the education field including issues relating to today’s youth
- BOOST Nation: Town Hall has public meetings with national leaders and public figures
- Master Classes - Classes by world-class experts in the field
- More than 100 exhibitors in Exhibit Hall
- More than 150 workshops are at this conference involving the latest trends and research in innovative and quality out-of-school time programming
- Conference website is www.boostconference.org