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We Empower Youth to Prioritize Safety

***Metamorphosis
Consulting Services
provides high-risk youth
safe spaces that foster
success in adulthood.***

At Metamorphosis, we specialize in empowering vulnerable students as they conquer social emotional landscapes to prepare them to achieve success in adulthood. Our nonprofit initiative offers intensive holistic therapeutic counseling and academic support for students from kindergarten through college.

We provide students with the essential information needed to make well-informed decisions as they work their way through every level of school. As a holistic service provider of emancipated foster care youth, we also provide housing, mental health services, trauma-related therapy, community leadership coaching, and financial literacy education.

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We want our students to start their adult lives on the right foot, setting them up to succeed in their careers and preparing them for home ownership.

Our evidence-based program is composed of proven practices designed to dovetail with the support offered by New Jersey's Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program to help marginalized and disenfranchised youth obtain college degrees. Our program also meets New Jersey's preparation for adult living programs designed to equip young people exiting foster care for their inevitable departure from that system.



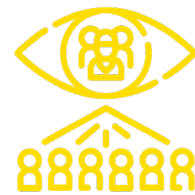
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EXPERIENCE YOUR METAMORPHOSIS!



Mission

Metamorphosis Consulting Services empowers vulnerable students kindergarten through college to conquer their social-emotional landscapes so they can achieve academic and career success through intensive holistic, in-community counseling services and support. Our nonprofit, evidenced-based program provides the students who need the most assistance in school with the essential information and support needed to make well-informed decisions as they work their way through every level of their education.



Vision

We also support young adults who have aged out of foster care and have started post-secondary studies by providing housing, mental health services, academic support, trauma therapy, community leadership coaching, and financial literacy education. Our program dovetails the support of New Jersey's Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) and preparation for adult living. Our ultimate mission is to help our students start their lives on the right foot, setting them up for college and career success while preparing them for homeownership.



***Prevent the pain of
Distance Learning
before it starts!***

*We help make parent's
lives more productive
by offering virtual and
in-person tutoring to
assist students as they
strive to achieve
academic success.*



At Metamorphosis Consulting Services, we remain grounded by the following six core values of success:



Personal Empowerment

The cornerstone of our work is empowerment. Our success hinges on our ability to empower youth to achieve academic and personal success. When a person is carefully nurtured and nudged toward agency, ownership, and self-sufficiency, the best outcomes are within reach.



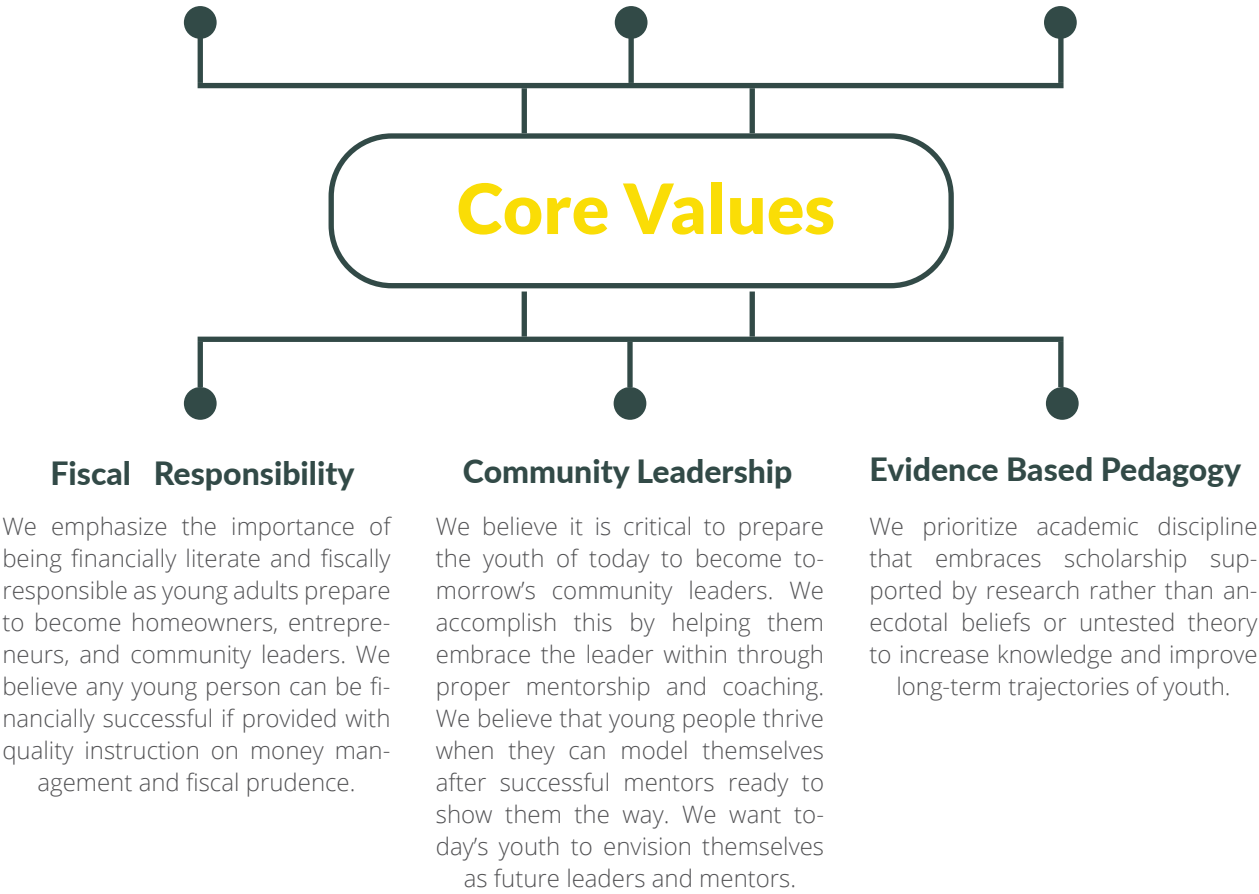
**Trauma Informed/
Social Emotional
Health Practices**

We work to help young people conquer their social-emotional landscapes, operating under the idea that if a person isn't emotionally healthy, they will not be able to thrive in school, career, relationships, or any other realm of their lives.



Self-Esteem Building

We work to dismantle false imagery that prevents youth from increasing their self-esteem, instead teaching them to show themselves kindness and compassion while embracing their own dignity as human beings.



Program



Marettta L. Hodges, Ed.M., MSW

Founder/ Executive Director

"For decades, I've worked tirelessly as a senior-level college administrator, professor, and mental health clinician seeking to close the achievement gap for disadvantaged communities. I have dedicated my career to the relentless pursuit of equity in education and positive mental health services for all who seek it. My research is dedicated to the plight of "aging out" youth attempting to obtain college degrees after emancipating from the foster care system."

Marettta L. Hodges, Ed.M. MSW, is a human services professor, college administrator, and mental health therapist for youth, kindergarten- college living in marginalized communities throughout the United States. This trailblazer, with proven loyalty towards the transformation of negative trajectories of African Americans, founded Metamorphosis Consulting Services to provide holistic intensive in-community counseling and academic support services to assist scholars requiring essential support to enroll and complete college degrees in NJ. .

Throughout her 20-year career in education, Professor Hodges has worked tirelessly to close the achievement

gap for disadvantaged communities, by helping thousands of students obtain college degrees through New Jersey's Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program. As a result of her advocacy, several thousand college students were able to access supportive services, including counseling, tutoring, and developmental course work. Moreover, tens of thousands of students from educationally and economically disadvantaged backgrounds received financial assistance, counseling, and tutoring services essential to those attempting to complete college degrees across the nation.

Leadership



Professor Hodges, a native of Paterson, New Jersey, participated in the state's EOF program herself as an undergraduate student. This experience kick-started her long academic journey as a lifelong learner and advocate of communities that have traditionally been silenced. After earning her associate degree from Passaic County Community College, she continued to earn a bachelor's degree in Sociology from Montclair State University, and a master's degree in social work from Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey. She later headed to the Ivy League, where she earned a master's in education at Teachers College Columbia University in New York, New York.

Professor Hodges has worked ardently in several capacities through which she was able to make an impact on thousands of young lives. Since 2001, Professor Hodges has performed service roles as Coordinator of the Student Support Services Program at Passaic County Community College, Assistant Director of the EOF Program at William Paterson University, and Program Director of the EOF Program at Bloomfield College.

In 2011 Professor Hodges answered the call of service to serve as the President of The Educational Opportunity Fund Professional Association of New Jersey (EOFPANJ). In this capacity, she advocated for the Educational Opportunity Grant, which extended more than \$400 million to assist tens of thousands of under-served college students attending colleges/universities across the nation.

Recognizing that emancipated youth from the foster care system are among those needing the most support, Professor Hodges founded Metamorphosis Consulting Services. Since 2012, Metamorphosis Consulting Services has provided holistic services to emancipated youth needing assistance as they work through childhood traumas, and acquiring life skills necessary to thrive in college and career as adults. As she continues to grow her nonprofit initiative, she plans to launch a transitional living facility to increase community leadership and help emancipated youth gain independence beyond college.

Professor Hodges is currently working on a doctorate in behavioral health education at Columbia University. As part of the Columbia academic community, she has worked with Columbia University Law School as a contractor with the Louisiana Department of Education. Professor Hodges has also served as an administrator with Columbia University's Community Impact project by helping disenfranchised residents of Harlem, New York gain employment, complete the GED Exam, or attend their local junior college. She is currently serving as the university's Doctoral Senator of the Behavioral Health Department at Teachers College Columbia University, the first and largest graduate school of education in the United States of America.

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Is your child having difficulty adjusting to virtual learning, suffering from the death of a loved one, or struggling with feeling of isolation due to social distancing?

NEED HELP?

Extreme behavioral problems that continue for an extended period could indicate a need for help.

Is your child in crisis?

If so, **WE CAN HELP!**

Metamorphosis Consulting Services Provides

- ✓ Safe virtual academic support
- ✓ Virtual counseling and therapeutic services of youth ages 2-21 at no cost to the family

- ✓ College preparation/Academic support services
- ✓ Adolescent male and female empowerment groups
- ✓ Apprenticeship services
- ✓ Substance abuse assessments and counseling
- ✓ Tutoring services
- ✓ Transitional living support services
- ✓ Parental training
- ✓ Family counseling services

College Enrollment Services

Getting into the right college can determine the course of a person's life, so it is important to enter the process of college enrollment well informed. College admission officers carefully assess student's high school grades, courses, test scores, essays, extra-curricular activities, letters of recommendations, and conduct face to face interviews prior to enrollment. Despite this, much of what goes into the hard choices college enrollment administrators have to make is beyond students' control, such as whether institutions are prioritizing matters like unfilled faculty positions to teach courses, diversity, legacy applicants, funding availability, or athletic recruiting in a given year. So it's crucial to stay abreast of changes within the college enrollment processes of your school of choice.

For nearly 20 years, the leadership of Metamorphosis Consulting Services., has offered a variety of services from comprehensive assistance to targeted support services designed to help students enroll in the colleges of their choice. Our customized pre-college student and family assistance packages can include:

- High School Educational Planning
- Mentor ship
- College Matching and Personalized College Searches
- Dual Enrollment of High School and Pre- College Planning
- College Admissions Action Planning
- College Interview Preparation
- Admissions Essay Writing Assistance
- Accurate FAFSA Completion
- Financial Aid appeal and Negation Strategies
- ACT/ SAT Preparation
- Planning Campus Visitation
- College Application Editorial Services

***Don't let COVID-19 prevent
high school graduates
from attending the college
of their choice.***

SEEK THE ADVICE OF EXPERTS!!!



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PEER LEADERS



Metamorphosis collaborates with Passaic County Community College and Rutgers Graduate School of Social Work to implement our community-led approach that enhances vital skills required of students to become successful entrepreneurs, tradesmen, college graduates, and homeowners in adulthood.



College Academic Counseling

Connection to Resources that Improve Graduation Rates

- Scholarship Information
- Academic Financial Planning
- Financial Aid Tutorials and Accurate FAFSA Completion
- Customized Academic Monitoring of Student Performance and Progress
- Advisement on Post-Secondary Course Registration
- Career Coaching
- Resume Writing
- Interview Coaching
- Life Coaching
- Researching Internship Opportunities
- Existing Student College Advisory Services
- Individualized Academic Probation/ Dismissal Support
- Creating Effective Academic Success Plans
- Professional Support During College/ University Academic Probation Committee Hearings
- Facilitating Community College/ Junior College Transfers to 4-Year Institutions
- Private Tutoring Support





Notary Services

New Jersey Mobile Notary

Metamorphosis Consulting Services provides on-site and mobile notary services in the Northern New Jersey area 24 hours a day, seven days a week. We pride ourselves in giving our customers peace of mind knowing that they will receive professional services as it pertains to their notary needs.

As mobile notaries, we come to you. Our mobile notaries are reliable, punctual, friendly, knowledgeable and professional. We have experience in many notarial areas, including:

- College financial aid documents
- Real estate
- Immigration
- Estate planning
- Contracts
- Financial agreements

We offer the convenience of meeting you at your desired location. We also have experience meeting customers in array of businesses, residential, and public settings.

International Students

The United States Department of Education indicates that International agreements and the practice in the U.S. education system and labor market recognize the existence of three competent authorities for recognition of International qualifications including:

- The admitting school or higher education institution for students who seek to study in the United States and who are presenting credits or qualifications earned abroad;
- The hiring employer, for individuals seeking work and who are presenting degrees or other qualifications earned abroad; and
- State or territorial licensing boards, for individuals seeking to practice regulated professions in a jurisdiction of the United States and who are presenting degrees or other qualifications earned abroad.

Metamorphosis Consulting Services provides serves to clients who need documentation translation that assist in immigration, legal assistance, marriage and other personal certificates and documents essential for educational purposes.

Foreign Degree Evaluation
Translation / Interpretation Services



Transitional Living Facility

Jackson Pointe Pointe is a proposed program sustained by Professor Maretta Hodges' research developments at Teachers College Columbia University and Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. This archetype addresses the lack of transitional living facilities for youth emancipating from foster care and receiving college degrees in New Jersey. Jackson Pointe's uses a community-based participatory approach that creates a rejuvenation of lifelong learning and strengthened links between formal and non-formal education while upholding Metamorphosis' six core values of success. This protocol also unites services within the community that empowers young adults to adequately mobilize the strength of community resources to make appropriate demands regarding issues that support emancipated youth obtaining college degrees.





Empowering youth to conquer social-emotional landscapes and achieve academic success





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