

# COACHING 4 CHANGE

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*Empowering College Students to  
Ignite Change for the Next Generation*



## C4C: Impacting College Mentors & Students

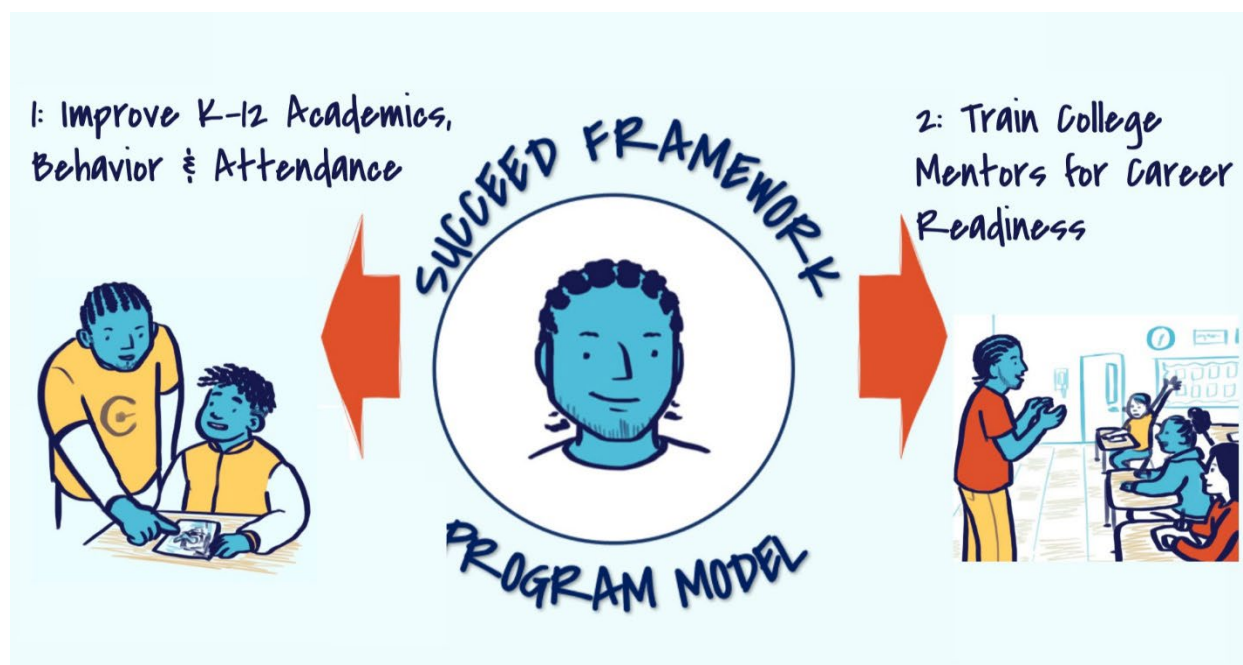
**The College Mentor Experience:** "Working for Coaching4Change has been a life-altering experience. It has taught me that what I want to do in life is teach. Working with students after school at Morton Middle School showed me how to make a difference in their lives and enhance the community. Being a part of C4C

means being a part of something much bigger than yourself. You are able to connect with kids on a personal level and learn about their lives while still being a role model. Before C4C, I wanted to become an attorney, but I know that my passion lies in teaching and creating a better environment for kids to learn and grow in. At the end of the day, kids are our future and Coaching4Change is enhancing our future."

**The Student Experience:** "There is a seventh-grade girl named Anna Marie who is such a sweetheart. The first day I got here she asked if I'd play basketball with her! We played together frequently and she asked me a lot of questions about college. She told me that she never dreamed of going to college, but she kept asking me about it. After a while, she told me that I had changed her mind. She said, "I'm gonna get a scholarship and I'm gonna go to Roger Williams University and play basketball and be a D1 basketball player!" It was so great to see someone who didn't even think of college as an option, now want to go and play sports, too!"

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## Dual Impact of the C4C Program Model



### Coaching4Change Mentoring - Two Powerful & Positive Outcomes

- 1) Support high-need students in academics and social-emotional learning at racially diverse schools in low-income communities.
- 2) Provide paid internships for College Mentors, empowering them with leadership skills and career development opportunities.

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## From The Desk of the CEO

As C4C continues to fulfill its mission of supporting students and enhancing educational opportunities, I would like to share an exciting development and initiative. We are focusing on the integration of work-study programs as a component of our strategy to keep kids in school while providing valuable resources for college students. Work-study programs offer a unique solution by not only putting money in their pockets but also by helping them develop crucial career readiness skills through their involvement with Coaching4Change.

This need-based financial aid is often overlooked, ignored, or underappreciated. Many college students miss out on the opportunities work-study provides simply because they do not know it exists or how to access it.

Coaching4Change is restructuring our partnerships with colleges to serve as off-campus work-study partners. We aim to ensure that college students utilize their work-study options and are able to engage in meaningful work that supports their academic and professional growth. Our College Mentors, who serve as tutors and behavior support for K-12 students in need, are at the heart of this initiative. They gain practical experience and skills that are invaluable for their future careers, while the students they support receive the additional help and guidance they need to succeed.

Your continued support is crucial in making this vision a reality. Together, we can create a more supportive and effective educational environment for all students. Thank you for your unwavering dedication to our cause. We look forward to sharing more updates with you as we advance this initiative.

Best,  
Marquis

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## Scholarship Opportunity





Each year, since 2015, ALKU has partnered with Mass Mentoring Partnership to provide a \$30,000 academic scholarship (\$7,500 per academic year) to a rising high school senior in Massachusetts. The recipient of the scholarship will be someone who has been positively impacted by and engaged in a mentoring relationship for at least one year and has plans to attend a 4-year College or University. Please **apply** by Monday, September 23rd, 2024.

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