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Mission Statement:

“The purpose of OMI is to instill resiliency skills through education and developing life skills to “at-risk” youth in hopes that they will become productive members of society.

To provide opportunities that will focus on the entire mind, body, soul and spirit.”

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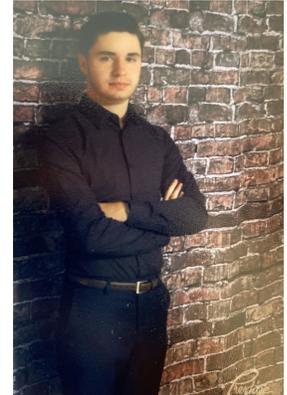
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Senior Year:

Starting my senior year, I knew I'd be graduating and moving on to the next chapter of my life. Starting college in the fall and facing a new beginning. Having my senior year taken from me by COVID-19, I had so much planned with my family, personal life, and of course graduation and moving onto college. With the current situation it makes all of that impossible due to CDC orders to Social Distance. This summer I had planned on going to Texas to work with our CEO, Lori, and continue to move the organization forward as we prepared for National Youth Week, 2020. However, the current situation puts a strain on that so we have decided to shift to an all virtual event for this year!



As you can see, COVID-19 has added much stress to a student's Senior year in High school, and created the problem of figuring out how we move forward from here. I believe we can and we will move forward, successfully at that. This is only possible if we work together. We have to understand that this is only temporary, and although our lives have been fundamentally changed from the way we are used to, we are all in this together. Continue to hope for your students' success as we move forward into the next chapter of our lives.

-Cecil Bundick

Achievement Scholarship!

To celebrate the pillar of achievement, National Youth Week is proud to announce the 2020 Achievement Scholarship. 4 individuals will be selected to receive a \$500 scholarship that can be used for anything school related! Winners will be announced on Friday, June 19, 2020.

How To Apply:

Visit nywusa.com/scholarship and follow the instructions! Fill out the application and be sure to submit it to scholarship@nywusa.com by May 11, 2020 to be considered!



Note From President:



Right now we are facing an uncertainty. There is definitely the temptation to fall into depression and loneliness.

When we see that our more older crowd is losing their financial stability, our young people not being able to graduate or go to prom, and others losing family members and people close to them we see that this is a very difficult time not only for some of us, but for all of us. The hope we have is that we have tools to deal with these challenges. The more that you know yourself the better you are prepared. National Youth Week is offering free self assessments and counseling to anyone who has lost their job or is having a challenge with losing a loved one. This is not an easy time, and we are well aware of that. I myself had a someone close to me lose their father. This has been very difficult to watch them undertake. In these trying times we need to push past our feelings and our desire to shut down. We need to find ways to connect, for example using Zoom. We are mindful that there is a need to bring our society back from these times. We have licensed counselors and educators available to assist within these times.

- Lori Hoff, President

Financial Literacy with Dr. Omai!

My entire mission in the world of Financial Literacy is to ensure that younger generations are prepared for leadership in wealth. Leadership in this connotation of Financial Literacy is literacy and distribution. Most first, secondary and even higher educational systems do not have mandatory financial literacy courses.

As a personal vendetta to poverty eradication, Financial Literacy is the main ingredient to ending the poverty mentality. With any mentality comes a set of behaviors and actions, this we know ensuring literacy and development when it comes to resources is key.



During April in the America; Financial Literacy Month has been declared. Both a Bush Jr.) and (Barack Obama) proper recognition speaks volumes in Economics is a huge culture.

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A revelation that hit me personally was how many people were living check to check in America and living in what I call struggle culture. An entire culture is struggling in a global fashion and that is enough to see that people are not being educated in the very realm that they are struggling within. My own personal quote is: "It only takes one man to get tired of sleeping to awaken an entire nation."

The Board of Literacy, Inc. has joined forces with National Youth Week to distribute knowledge, programs and mentorship within the realms of social emotional learning and Financial Literacy, which provides a running start to preparedness in adulthood. We are here to help youth understand financial terms, responsibilities, emotional accountability and relationship building. It is much easier to learn and retain information when there is a solid relationship established during the educational impact. We know that once someone is impacted by a situation or information they are more apt to develop beliefs and behaviors accordingly.

Feel free to share this newsletter and the information therein. Anyone who wants free information on Financial Literacy programs and webinars can feel free to visit: www.theboardofliteracy.org.

- Dr. Omai Kofi