



## **Lisa A. Ford**

BA Secondary Education/English Literature

MS Psychology/Counseling

Current Outpatient Therapist at Family Service Association of Bucks County

Former Student Services Director at Trenton Catholic Academy

Former English Teacher at Trenton Central High School

**CAREER PROFILE:** Multi-skilled counselor, therapist and educator who delivers expertise in post-secondary career planning, conflict resolution, crisis intervention, emotional processing, trauma psychoeducation, child study case management and in mental health advocacy and coping skills implementation.

### **SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

- Record of over a decade of successful teaching and therapeutic counseling experience working with diverse populations, including special education, urban, alternative and international environments in education, mental health and therapeutic services
- Pioneer in design/implementation of preventative programs, peer mediation programs, conflict resolution, character development, educational curricula, group counseling and event planning, including the management and marketing of a consulting firm
- Presenter and public speaker in professional development, college preparation, financial aid and community-related informational events, including college fairs, award ceremonies and post-secondary visits

In 2021, Ford left the field of education to support her daughter, who underwent a mental health crisis, for a position in mental health as an Outpatient Therapist. Ford is in the unique position to bring attention to the importance of creating mental health awareness and mental health advocacy from the perspective of a former School Counselor, trauma survivor and mother of a trauma survivor.