

UPWARD BOUND NEWS

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Staff Message:

Happy Holidays! We have been very busy evaluating all of the program activities for the year so that we can begin planning for next spring and summer. The spring schedule will be out soon. No doubt you also have been very busy with finishing up the fall semester, studying for exams, attending school activities, and shopping for the holidays. This is the time of year when the idea of fun and relaxation are the things we are all thinking about. It's also that time of year when we make New Year's resolutions, determined to make changes in our lives.

The UB staff just finished writing a new grant proposal. If it's successful (we'll find out in the spring), we will have four additional years of funding to support the UB Program. To make our program the best it can be, we always count on all of you to participate in the workshops and activities that we offer.

So make it your New Year's resolution to get here regularly for study center help, and come to academic workshops throughout the spring so that you will be one step closer to getting into the college of your choice.

Warmest Holiday Wishes from all of us.

Counselor's Corner:

The Upward Bound Program exists to support underrepresented students in preparing for college. Entrance into college is largely based on a student's grade point average in college preparatory classes, S.A.T. or A.C.T. test scores, and participation in academic and community activities. The core of Upward Bound's academic year program study center sessions is designed to provide fundamental support in preparing you for college. Lack of consistent participation in the program suggests that many of you believe that you are currently prepared for entrance into college, have already been accepted into college (with college fully funded), and are currently able to graduate from college with high honors. In reality, your report cards, test scores, and conversations with you and your families, suggest something different. They suggest that most of you are smart, hardworking and talented, yet you are in need of help, and are still unprepared.

The good news is that the help and support you require is available through the Upward Bound Program, and it is free of cost to you. The bad news is that free actually "costs". For Upward Bound, it costs the program \$5388.10 per student to provide you with resources each year. For students, the cost is showing up and working even harder to achieve academically. For all of the families of Upward Bound, it means continuing to take the time to call us with your concerns, communicating with us, and taking advantage of the support and services you need in order to help you achieve tomorrow.

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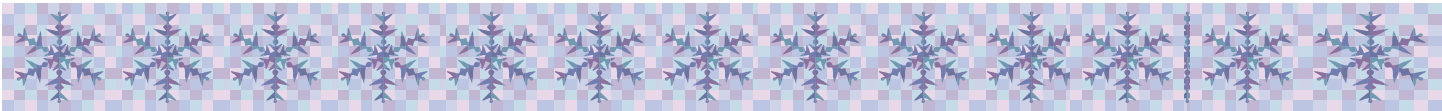
This is your newsletter. Feel free to submit ideas, articles and accomplishments for the next printing. Photos are also welcome!!

Have You Moved?

Let the UB office know if your address or phone number has changed. This will ensure that you receive upcoming important information without any delays.

See you at the next study center session!

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Upcoming January Events: MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

- 1/4-Study Center (5:30-7:30)
- 1/9-Study Center (5:30-7:30)
- 1/11-Study Center (5:30-7:30)
- 1/16-Study Center (5:30-7:30)
- 1/18-Study Center (5:30-7:30)
- 1/19-UB/UBMS 76rs Basketball Trip (more info to follow)
- 1/23-Study Center (5:30-7:30)
- 1/25-Study Center (5:30-7:30)
- 1/27-UB/UBMS Workshop (more info to follow)
- 1/27-SAT Test Day
- 1/30-Study Center (5:30-7:30)

Fundraising:

Thank you to the eight students who participated in our fall candle fundraiser: Jennifer Hayden, Nigel Sanderson, Christina Johnson, Elvin Dempsey, Mallory Sabato, Tashay Royal, Kory Smith and Ken Rider. These students ALONE were able to raise almost \$250.00 to support the Upward Bound Program. Good Job!!!

Fundraising is becoming a necessity for our program. This money enables us to have some money for trips and extra-curricular activities during the summer program. If all 54 students had sold just five candles each in the fall '06 fundraiser, we could have raised almost \$2000.00!! Please join in and help us raise these funds in the upcoming spring fundraiser.

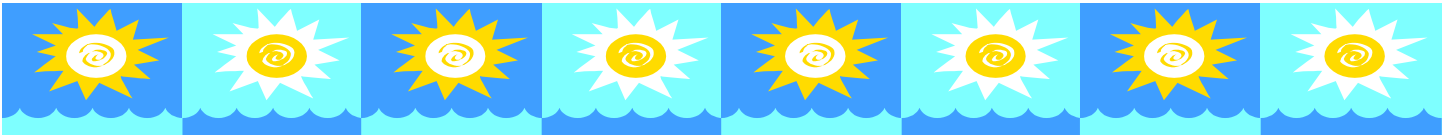
Calling all Parents:

Would you like to be an upward Bound Parent Ambassador? By becoming a Parent Ambassador, you will be able to guide new parents through the upward Bound process. You can answer critical questions that new parents may have about the academic year or summer program. We will also have parent input for fundraising and chaperoning. If you are interested, please contact Ms Karen at 831-4102.

December Birthdays!!!!!!!

- Damesha Tull December 7th
- Ricardo Chartlon December 22nd
- Kristen Moore December 24th

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Belated Birthday to:

Jason Chong	April 30
Eunique Haley	April 9
Grace Sinche	April 19
Quiara Wiggins	April 3
Chaz Yancey	April 28

Happy Birthday to:

Wilmington Adekoya	May 12
Ahmed Ibrahim	May 23
Ty McNair	May 15
Nickeya McDuffie	June 4
Heather Kalinowski	June 6



UPCOMING EVENTS

May 8th	Senior Send Off Dinner (Seniors Only)
May 13th	Summer Orientation
May 30th	Last day to turn in fundraiser \$\$
June 25th	Move in Day!! Smyth Hall

