

U.S. Department of Education TRiO Programs Upward Bound Math and Science Fact Sheet (2016)

Program Description

The Upward Bound Math and Science program is designed to strengthen the math and science skills of participating students. The goal of the program is to help students recognize and develop their potential to excel in math and science and to encourage them to pursue postsecondary degrees in math and science, and ultimately careers in the math and science profession.

Types of Projects

Program services include: summer programs with intensive math and science training; year-round counseling and advisement; exposure to university faculty members who do research in mathematics and the sciences; computer training; and participant-conducted scientific research under the guidance of faculty members or graduate students, who are serving as mentors; education or counseling services designed to improve the financial and economic literacy of students; and programs and activities previously mentioned that are specially designed for students who are limited English proficient, students from groups that are traditionally underrepresented in postsecondary education, students with disabilities, students who are homeless children and youths, students who are in foster care or are aging out of foster care system or other disconnected students.

Additional Information

Services provided by the program include:

- Exposure to academic programs and cultural events
- Instruction in reading, writing, study skills, and other subjects necessary for success in education beyond high school
- Academic, financial, or personal counseling
- Tutorial services
- Mentoring programs
- Information on postsecondary education opportunities
- Assistance in completing college entrance and financial aid applications
- Assistance in preparing for college entrance exams
- Information on the full range of Federal Student Financial Aid programs and benefits
- Guidance and assistance on secondary school reentry or alternative education programs; entry into general educational development programs or postsecondary education

Eligibility

Who May Apply: (specifically) Institutions of higher education, public and private agencies and organizations including community-based organizations with experience in serving disadvantaged youth, combinations of such institutions, agencies and organizations, and as appropriate to the purposes of the program, secondary schools.

Students must be eligible to participate in the Upward Bound program and must have completed the eighth grade. However, participants do not necessarily have to be participating in a regular Upward Bound program. Two-thirds of all participants must be low-income, potential first-generation college students. The remaining one-third must be low-income or potential first-generation college students.



Name: _____

Student Application Packet

To be considered for participation in the Upward Bound Math & Science Program, please complete this application in its entirety, obtain the appropriate signatures and submit it to your high school guidance counselor.

The following must be completed and/or included with this application:

1. Student Application
2. Your annual household income from your most recently filed tax return (if filed/if not a recipient of free/reduced lunch)
3. Counselor recommendation
4. Teacher recommendations (from two teachers; one has to be math or science)
5. Copy of student's most recent transcript and student's reading and math Acuity scores.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact the office at:

For Office Use Only	
Eligibility	
Accepted	
Letter	
Database	
Folder	

Upward Bound Math & Science
Metropolitan Community College
P.O. Box 3777
Omaha, Nebraska 68103-0777
(531) 622-2290
(800) 228-9553

Follow these simple instructions

1. **Read** the entire application before you start so you'll know exactly what you're filling out.
2. Complete this application legibly. If we cannot read all the information, we'll have to send it back causing unnecessary delays.
3. Be sure that you have all the **required signatures** before submitting the application packet.
4. Don't forget to include a copy of your most recent **school transcript**.
5. To make it easy just remember to use this checklist:

Section A	___	STUDENT completes
Section B	___	PARENT or GUARDIAN completes
Section C	___	STUDENT and PARENT both need to sign
Section D	___	STUDENT Essay
Section E	___	GUIDANCE COUNSELOR Recommendation Form (from your guidance counselor)
Section F	___	TEACHER Recommendation Form (you need two) <i>At least one teacher recommendation form has to be filled out by a Math or Science teacher</i>
	___	Most recent School Transcript

**If you have any questions, please feel free to call the
Upward Bound Math & Science office at (531) 622-2290**

SECTION A
Student Application

Name _____
Last First Middle

Mailing Address _____
Street/P.O. Box City State Zip Code

Home Phone Number _____ Cell Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Social Security Number _____ - - Gender Male Female

Birthdate _____
Month Day Year U.S. Citizen Yes No

Race (please check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino | <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American |

High School _____ Current Grade _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average _____ Expected Year of Graduation _____

Who referred you to Upward Bound Math Science? _____

SECTION B
Family Information

(To be completed by parent or guardian)

With whom does the student live? **(Please check only one):**

- Both Parents Mother Father Legal Guardian Foster Care
 Other (please specify) _____

Parents/Guardian Name(s) _____

Home Phone _____ Second Phone or Cell Phone _____

Mother/Guardian Place of Work _____

Work Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Father/Guardian Place of Work _____

Work Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Do you receive free/reduced lunch?

- Yes
 No

If you did not file an income tax return last year, what was your income?

Taxable income \$ _____ **Non-taxable income \$** _____

Education level of parents:

Father/Legal Guardian

- Less than high school
 High school graduate
 Some college hours
 Two year college degree
 Four year college degree
 Completed vocational training

Mother/Legal Guardian

- Less than high school
 High school graduate
 Some college hours
 Two year college degree
 Four year college degree
 Completed vocational training

Number of brothers/sisters who completed college/vocational school _____

Total number of members in household _____

Emergency Contact _____
Name Number

The information contained in this application is for the use of the Upward Bound Math Science program only and will be held in the strictest confidence. For our own records, it is necessary that you complete forms entirely. Please certify that the information is correct and complete to the best of your knowledge by signing below.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

SECTION C

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF EDUCATIONAL RECORDS

(And additional release information)

**UPWARD BOUND MATH & SCIENCE
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**Please read all of the following information before signing.
This information will be kept confidential.**

I hereby grant authorization for my educational records (grades, transcripts and test scores) to be released to the Upward Bound Math & Science program at Metropolitan Community College. I understand that the Upward Bound Math & Science program will request grades at the conclusion of each grading period and transcripts/test scores at least annually.

We understand that Upward Bound Math & Science is for students who are able to handle the responsibility of being on campus daily for the 6 week summer component and mature enough to participate in chaperoned educational experiences for approximately one week away from home.

We recognize that Upward Bound Math & Science is a major investment by the United States Department of Education and we understand that if the student is accepted and wishes to attend; he or she will be expected to be in attendance the entire 6 week summer program period.

We understand that although travel costs and fees are provided free of charge, the student's family or guardian must assume responsibility for illnesses (including prescription coverage) or pre-existing conditions, medical release forms and any information needed to complete them.

We understand that if the applicant is accepted by the Upward Bound Math & Science program, he or she will have to adhere to the program's rules and regulations concerning student responsibility and behavior in the academic and summer programs. We understand that the Director and Metropolitan Community College administrators will have the right to dismiss any student whose behavior is incompatible with the goals and standards of the Upward Bound Math & Science program.

In consideration of acceptance of this application for the Upward Bound Math and Science program at Metropolitan Community College, we hereby authorize Metropolitan Community College to use the student's image, likeness, name and comments in, but not limited to, photographs, videos, and audio recordings created or used for the purpose of publicity/marketing and advertising for the College.

We agree that the student, if accepted into the Upward Bound Math & Science program, may participate in answering questionnaires as part of the program's evaluation.

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date

