



## Upward Bound Program

### Eligibility Evaluation

Thank you for your interest in Upward Bound. This program is for high school students with a strong interest in going to college. To be eligible, the student should be from a first-generation (college) family and/or have limited family income. Our program helps prepare students to enter any college they desire by offering study skills, SAT and ACT preparation advice, college admissions help and a six-week summer residential program in which students earn high school elective and college subject credit(or dual enrollment depending on high school).

Please fill out the following information and our office will contact you *via email* with verification that your student is qualified for selection into this federally funded program (Federal Department of Education). **Please return this form to our office as soon as possible** (see contact information on the attached page). If you are qualified for the program we will email you the full application package to complete. Students in grades 9, 10 and 11 are eligible. Please be sure to check your email regularly for this important paperwork.

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

MI

High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

(See target high school list attached)

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Home

Parent Cell

Student Cell

Contact Email addresses: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email

Student Email

Student Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Grade Level currently: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Gender: circle one: Male Female

Student GPA (approx.): \_\_\_\_\_

- Is the student firmly committed to go to college the semester after graduation from high school? \_\_\_\_\_
- Does either parent of the student have a 4 year bachelor's degree? \_\_\_\_\_
- Is the family's taxable income at or below the federal limits? \_\_\_\_\_  
(See the Trio Income Level chart on the attached page)
- Is the student a US citizen or a legal resident? (must provide documentation) \_\_\_\_\_
- Does the student have a sibling already in the program? (either currently or in the past) \_\_\_\_\_
- What was the level of math class that the student took in 8<sup>th</sup> grade? \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that all of the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Keep this page for your records

Please fax or mail the first page of the Eligibility Evaluation to our office.

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If you meet the eligibility criteria for the program, the office will contact you and send the official application via email, along with notification that the student is eligible.

Directions: To determine financial eligibility, use last year's tax returns. Look for the bolded words **Taxable Income** on your tax form. Use this amount, along with the total number of people that are included on the tax return as living in the household, to determine the income cap for eligibility. See chart below:

Size of Family Unit	48 Contiguous States, D.C., and Outlying Jurisdictions	Alaska	Hawaii
1	\$18,735	\$23,400	\$21,570
2	\$25,365	\$31,695	\$29,190
3	\$31,995	\$39,990	\$36,810
4	\$38,625	\$48,285	\$44,430
5	\$45,255	\$56,580	\$52,050
6	\$51,885	\$64,875	\$59,670
7	\$58,515	\$73,170	\$67,290
8	\$65,145	\$81,465	\$74,910

For family units with more than eight members, add the following amount for each additional family member: \$6,030 for the 48 contiguous states, the District of Columbia and outlying jurisdictions; \$7,545 for Alaska; and \$6,930 for Hawaii.

The term "low-income individual" means an individual whose family's **taxable income** for the preceding year did not exceed 150 percent of the poverty level amount. (Effective **January 24, 2016** until further notice)