

# UPWARD BOUND

## NEWSLETTER SPRING 2018

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Upward Bound tutorials take place on  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from  
2:30-4:30 pm in room A-111



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MATH: Matt Pinter  
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Upward bound tutorials take place on Mondays  
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Upward Bound tutorials take place on  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from  
2:30-4:30 pm in the school library.

## UPWARD BOUND AWARDS AND RECOGNITION RECEPTION



**THURSDAY, May 24, 2018**

**6:00 pm - Light Refreshments will be served**

**7:00 pm - Award Program**

**Monroe County Community College (Lay Z Boy Center)**

The reception is an annual event to recognize each of our UB students. Students will be receiving certificates for their academic achievements and for their hard work and determination shown throughout the school year. Invitations have been mailed to your homes.

Please RSVP to let us know how many will be attending so we may be able to plan accordingly (information to RSVP is on the invitation). We hope to see you all there.

Please mark your calendars.

# SUMMER PROGRAM 2018

(June 18 – July 26, 2018)

The most influential component of the Upward Bound Program is the summer session. The UB summer session is a six-week program with classes and workshops designed to expose the students to a college campus environment. This experience provides participants with many opportunities for intellectual, personal and social development. In addition, the students will be experiencing what it is like to attend classes in a college setting.

The UB program will offer Science, Math, Writing, and a Foreign Language courses to provide academic preparation for the upcoming school year. During the program, students are encouraged to adopt effective study habits that will follow them throughout their high school career and beyond.

Each Friday in the Summer Program, the students participate in a field trip. Therefore, we refer to these days as “Field Trip Fridays”. These are day trips. We try to make the day fun, fresh, educational, informative, and exciting for the students.

**TURN IN THE SUMMER PARTICIPATION FORMS BY MAY 18, 2018**

## UPWARD BOUND CULTURAL ENRICHMENT TRIP

This summer, Upward Bound will provide an all-expense paid cultural enrichment trip for students entering their Junior and Senior years in high school and in good standing within the Upward Bound Program. Students who meet the eligibility requirements will have the opportunity to participate in this year's trip to New York City, NY. Staff and students will depart on Sunday, July 30, 2018 and return on Thursday, August 2, 2018. This year we have hired a travel company to plan our trip. Because of this, the submission of required paperwork will have an earlier due date than we required in past years.

### PARENTS/GUARDIANS & STUDENTS: NEW YORK CITY

We will mail the NYC Permission Packet to your home. The forms must be filled out, signed, notarized (MHS only) and returned as soon as possible. You may turn in the completed and signed permission packets to any Upward Bound staff member.

**THE SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS  
JUNE 27, 2018 FOR ALL MANDATORY PAPERWORK.**

#### **Notary Public List:**

- Gayle Lambert - MPS Administration Building
- Tammy Massingill – Monroe High School
- Cheryl Prenkert – Upward Bound Administrative Assistant
- Sandy Williams - MPS Administration Building

**◆ REMEMBER TO HAVE A VALID ID ◆**



# UPWARD BOUND FELLOWSHIP TRIP



We have not forgotten our freshmen and sophomore UB participants. Eligible students in the freshman and sophomore classes will get a chance to attend our first annual Summer Enrichment Trip. Students who meet the eligibility requirements will have the opportunity to participate in this year's trip to Cedar Point. Staff and students will depart on Friday July 27, 2018 in the morning and return late that same evening. Details will be coming soon. Students will receive the Cedar Point Permission Packets later this summer.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR SUMMER TRIPS

In order to be eligible for the Summer Cultural Trip or the Summer Fellowship Trip, a student must meet the following:

- Carry a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better for the previous academic year.
- Participate in the summer program
- No more than four excused & ZERO unexcused absences (Dr. Quinn will determine eligibility)
- Have a Positive Attitude, Be Kind, and Demonstrate Respect and Responsibility
- Display Excellent Behavior both in and out of the classroom and follow their home schools' Code of Conduct/Disciplinary Code.

# WHAT HAVE THE UPWARD BOUND STUDENTS BEEN DOING?

## MI-CAPP STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

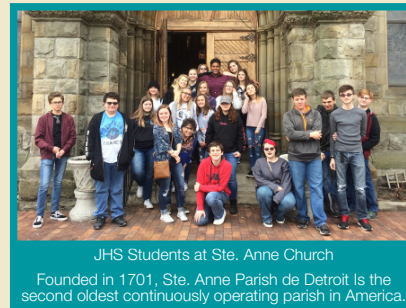
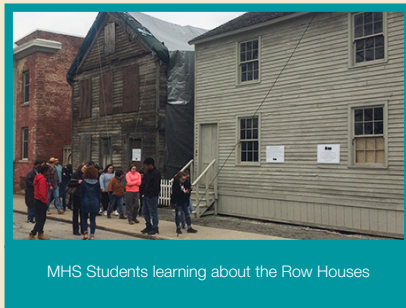
“Rise Up - The Future is Here & Now”



The Upward Bound students and staff from each school (Airport High School, Jefferson High School and Monroe High School) attended the Student Leadership Summit in Battle Creek, Michigan. They participated in workshops with other high school students and college students from across the state. Some of the topics included leadership, study abroad, Greek Life, public speaking and etiquette. Our very own, Charles Friedline (AHS) headed a workshop on How Not to Fail at Life. In addition to the workshops, students attended dinners, a banquet and a dance.

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# TRIP TO MEXICANTOWN AND CORKTOWN DETROIT, MI



## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



From the Desk of... **Dr. Anthony Quinn, Director of the Upward Bound Program, MCCC**

### MCCC UPWARD BOUND BRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This is a friendly reminder...

Seniors who graduate in good standing with the Upward Bound program are eligible to compete for the Bridge Scholarship for the summer semester at MCCC. Students may take up to six credit hours during the summer semester at MCCC. These credits are transferrable to other institutions of higher learning.

This scholarship includes:

- Tuition at MCCC for up to six credit hours of approved courses (e.g., college math and English)
- Books and supplies not to exceed \$100
- Tutoring and progress monitoring by Upward Bound staff

All applicants must:

- Complete & Submit a Bridge Scholarship application
- Be accepted to MCCC for the Summer 2018 semester
- Submit FAFSA for current year to MCCC by financial aid deadline
- Be active, engaged and involved with UB throughout the academic year.

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## DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION IS MAY 18, 2018!

Please call Ms. Lambert or Mr. Friedline with any questions regarding this scholarship and/or the eligibility requirements.

Parents: Please encourage your student to apply to all scholarships available to him/her.

## REMEMBER TO UPDATE YOUR NEW CONTACT INFORMATION WITH UPWARD BOUND



Telephone



E-mail



Address

The U.S. Department of Education requires our staff to contact every student that receives services from Upward Bound on an ANNUAL basis, if not more, for SIX (yes, SIX) years following your high school graduation. Not to mention, we are interested in keeping in contact with our students as we care about their educational success!

## COORDINATOR'S CORNER

From the Desk of... **Dannielle Lambert, Academic Skills Coordinator,  
Monroe High School**

### Tips for Communicating with the Financial Aid Office: When to Communicate

Contact the financial aid office when:

- You have a question.
- You realize you forgot to report key information when you applied for aid.
- You receive outside aid, such as a scholarship.
- Your situation has changed.

If something has changed, you might be eligible for more financial aid. See [Finding More Aid After a Change in Your Situation](#) at [www.cashcourse.org](http://www.cashcourse.org) for some tips.

### Facts to Remember Before You Contact the Aid Office

Aid offices are responsible for just about every aspect of aid—from calculating financial need to processing loans and monitoring students' eligibility. They're busy places, so be patient. Be courteous and act professionally. Understand that your issue might not be resolved immediately, and you might not be 100 percent satisfied with the resolution—but filing an appeal is an option.

### Ways to Communicate

How you communicate depends largely on what you need to share. Check with your financial aid office about preferred forms of communication. Here are some general guidelines to follow:

- Email routine correspondence, but never use it to send sensitive information, such as your Social Security number.
- Rely on the telephone for confidential conversations.
- Remember that all written communication—including email—is "on the record."
- Always request confirmation that your message has been received.
- Always respond in writing when original documentation, such as a signed form, is required. Don't assume it's OK to submit PDFs of scanned signed documents. Check first.



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- Make an in-person visit if:
  - Your circumstances are complex.
  - You haven't been able to establish contact by other means.
  - You haven't received a response to previous attempts to communicate.

Keep a record of all your communications with the financial aid office in case of errors or questions in the future.

Taken from: [www.cashcourse.org](http://www.cashcourse.org)



## From the Desk of... **Charles Friedline, Academic Skills Coordinator, Airport High School**



Hey, Everybody—Mr. Friedline, here! Summer is soooo close—I just know it is!—and your intrepid Upward Bound staff is already hard at work planning a great six weeks at Monroe County Community College. I hope you are as psyched about it as I am!

The 2018 Summer Program begins on Monday, June 18 and will run through Thursday, July 26. As in the past, buses will pick students up in the morning and bring them out to MCCC for breakfast, which will begin at approximately 8:45. Classes start at 9:30. Students board the buses for home at 3:00. Bus schedules will be mailed home in early June, so watch for that!

Since we are still in the planning stage, everything has not been confirmed yet, but here is just a taste of some of the things we hope to have for you this summer (in addition to Math, Science, English, and Foreign Language, of course!):

Choir  
 Dance  
 Drama  
 Drawing  
 French Language & Culture  
 And maybe a couple surprises as well!

Healthy Relationships  
 Poetry  
 Resume and Interview Skills  
 Self-Esteem Building  
 Team Building

### Friday Field Trips to:

- Oakland University
- Monroe Sports Complex
- Wayne State University
- Holocaust Memorial Center
- Imagination Station (Body Works Exhibit)

### End of Summer Trips to:

- Cedar Point, July 27 (rising freshmen and sophomores)
- New York City, July 30 – Aug. 2 (rising juniors and seniors)

So watch the mailbox for your MCCC envelope with your summer program participation form—and turn it in right away! You may have gotten one already, but if not they should be coming soon.

Finally, make sure you have met all the program requirements to go on the trips! If you still need some progress reports—turn them in (you need eight total)! Need community service hours? Get out there and get them done (you need ten)! Don't miss out on all the fun!



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## AHS Reminders:

- If you have not already done so, take a moment to sign up for Remind notices. Just text @mrfiedli to 734-344-5422
- Check us out on Facebook at “Airport High School Upward Bound” (<https://www.facebook.com/Airport-High-School-Upward-Bound-552651211432316/>)

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## From the Desk of...**Carley Schwartz, Academic Skills Coordinator,** **Jefferson High School**

The end of the school year is quickly approaching, but there are still a lot of fun things in store for the Upward Bound students at Jefferson High School! We have three more field trips planned for the remainder of the year. April 24th we will be heading to Mexicantown in Detroit, Michigan to learn about Mexican history and culture. In May, we will be exploring the exhibits at the Detroit Institute of Arts, and celebrating our first year of Upward Bound with a teambuilding exercise at Monroe Escape Rooms. Each week we are adding new faces to our program, and we are excited for them join us on these trips!



### Are you interested in joining Upward Bound?

Any 8th, 9th, or 10th grade students can pick up a UB application from the main office TODAY!



Jefferson High School students (and myself!) are also gearing up for their first experience attending the UB summer program at Monroe County Community College. The summer program is an opportunity to support students with their academic achievement and personal growth. It is an interactive experience that gives the students the skills and confidence necessary to tackle the upcoming school year. Students from Airport and Monroe have said that the summer program is their favorite part of being in Upward Bound, and we are looking forward to sharing this new experience with them!

UB students at Jefferson are trying LOTS of new things this year, so here are three tips for handling new situations:

- 1. Have an Open Mind** - Don't let your preconceived ideas mask what something really is. Step outside of your comfort zone, and enjoy being a learner.
- 2. Give it Some Time** - New experiences can sometimes make people want to run in the opposite direction. Instead, stick it out and don't give up. Be patient with yourself as you learn to figure things out.
- 3. Embrace the New** - New experiences can come with feelings of stress, anxiety, or nervousness. However, it's important to recognize that these emotions are natural, and shouldn't stop you giving something a try. New experiences allow you to grow as a person.

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Jefferson High School  
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Monroe High School  
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Monroe, MI 48161



## What is Upward Bound?

Upward Bound is a program funded by the U.S. Department of Education that prepares high school students for post-secondary education. Established in 2007, Monroe County Community College Upward Bound serves 110 students, grades 9-12. Students are enrolled from our target high school, Monroe High School, located in Monroe, Michigan and Airport High School located in Carleton, Michigan. Upward Bound is a challenging, preparatory program for students who demonstrate the ability or desire to attend college.

All program services are free for participants.

## Mission

The mission of the Monroe County Community College Upward Bound program is to assist students in grades nine through twelve in the successful completion of high school and to prepare them for post-secondary education by providing academic support, college preparation, social, cultural and career exploration.