

Ohio University Upward Bound Program



The Drum



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Quick Facts

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Your online source for federal financial aid.

www.fastweb.com

A free website to help you apply for scholarships.

www.scholarships.com

Another resource to help finance the cost of a college education.

A Note From the Director

Ayanna M. Jordan, Program Director



Ohio University Upward Bound would like to thank you for your support of our continuous commitment to provide quality academic, advising, and cultural services to high school students in southeast Ohio and surrounding communities. Our program has been successful in giving youth who are dedicated to education, but might lack the resources and support services, an opportunity to reach their goals.

The Winter Quarter issue of *The Drum* features a staff member introduction as the Upward Bound family welcomes a new assistant director, Dawn Jenkins. We are very delighted to have her on our team. I'm sure that her diverse experiences and positive attitude will be a tremendous asset to our administrative team. She will definitely make significant contributions to the success of our students.

In addition, to learning about new staff, you'll also find highlights on TRIO alum who are continuing to move forward in their quest for educational success. A shining example is Ebony Jones. Ebony has remained dedicated to TRIO programs since her participation at Case Western Reserve University

Upward Bound (2000-02) in Cleveland, Ohio. She gives back to Upward Bound by being a positive role model to Ohio University participants. She is a great success story as you will read in our *Spotlight* section how she is continuing through the TRIO pipeline. We're definitely proud of her achievements!

Lastly, National TRIO Day is February 26. This is a very significant day as communities throughout the U.S. will be celebrating the achievements of TRIO programs by honoring its students.

Our mission is evidently clear (and has been for over 40 years): Ensure

Upward Bound's Newest Addition

Dawn D. Jenkins, Program Assistant Director



Greetings! My name is Dawn Jenkins and I have the privilege of being the new Assistant Director of the Ohio University Upward Bound Program. As a former Talent Search and CAP

(College Adjustment Program) student, I know first-hand how Upward Bound and other TRIO programs work to benefit the students and their families.

I truly consider it an honor to have the opportunity to be a part of such a successful and empowering program. I am looking forward to working with the Upward Bound

students, families and staff throughout the year.

As the Assistant Director, my hope is that I will make a positive impression on the lives of our Upward Bound students and provide them with the tools needed to achieve their personal and vocational aspirations.

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

-Eleanor Roosevelt



"Not in rewards, but in the strength to survive, the blessing lies."

- J.T. Towbridge

February is Black History Month

- In 1998, the first African American woman millionaire, Madam C.J. Walker, invented the hotcomb. She later invented a whole hair care line of products.
- On Nov. 20, 1923 Garrett T. Morgan patents the traffic signal.
- On December 9, 1971 Bill Pickett became the first Black elected to the National Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame.
- March 1870, the 15th Amendment gave Blacks the right to vote.
- Although the Emancipation Proclamation was issued in 1863, slavery continued in Texas until June 19, 1865, when word reached Galveston, Texas that all slaves were free. This became known as Juneteenth.

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equal educational opportunity by providing students with access to services needed to successfully enter and graduate college; however, it will be amazing to see from the events on February 26, how TRIO students have been provided

with so much more than academic support services. National TRIO Day will highlight their academic achievement, in addition to, how their experiences with our programs have instilled enough courage for them to overcome

their circumstances and become well-rounded individuals with diverse perspectives, and a more broadened scope of the world in which they live.



Upward Bound: Providing Hope and Opportunity to Southeast Ohio high school students

It is our hope that we'll be able to continue providing opportunities for underrepresented high school students to overcome various barriers to attaining higher education.

If you want to express your viewpoint on the value and success of TRIO programs, you have a civic right to do so. Members of Congress are interested in hearing from people about the effectiveness of federally funded programs. You can simply tell the story of your participation and/or what it has meant to you, your family and the community.

Ohio Senator Mike DeWine is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee that will be considering the proposal to continue Upward Bound and Talent Search programs.

Congressman Ted Strickland is a member of the U.S. House of Representatives representing Athens, Meigs, Washington, Galia, Monroe, Jefferson, Noble, and Lawrence counties.

Congressman Bob Ney is a member of the U.S. House of Representatives representing Athens, Hocking, Morgan, Ross, Vinton, Belmont, Carroll, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Jackson, Knox, Muskingum, and Tuscarawas counties.

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For tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today.

-African Proverb

Guidelines for taking exams:

BE READY

BE RESTED

BE FED

BE POSITIVE

BE ON TIME

BE CALM

BE FOCUSED

READ THE DIRECTIONS

Preparing for Summer Residential Phase 2005



Parent's Corner: When Your Child Leaves The Nest

When your son or daughter leaves home to participate in the Summer Residential Phase of the Upward Bound Program or when they leave to go to college this will be quite a transition for your child, and for you, too. You may feel as if your child(ren) are leaving and will no longer need you. This isn't quite true. The truth is that they will need you, it just might be in a different way.

The following are a list of some things that you can do to make this transition smoother:

- Write brief letters about life at home (something they might be interested in)
- Send a care package (like their favorite snack or pictures)
- Make a big deal when they first come home (like cooking their favorite meal)
- And don't forget to NUTURE YOURSELF!

Student's Corner: Homesickness



Have you ever been away from family for a period of time? Chances are, when you leave home to go to college or when you leave home to participate in the Summer Residential Phase you may experience homesickness. But don't think your alone, because you're not. Everyone experiences homesickness, at some point.

Homesickness means you miss your family, your friend, your pet or even your home— those things in life that you are familiar with. Anytime you are away from home, even for just one night, it can be tough.

The good news is that you can bring things with you that remind you of those special people. You can bring photos of the people that you will be away from and look at them any time you want. If you have a favorite book or a favorite outfit you can bring it, too. You can also write letters to tell them how much fun your having!

The solution is to just have fun! The more fun you have, the less homesick you will feel. Remember, you can't pack everything, but you can pack the smaller things that mean just as much.



Ohio University Upward Bound Celebrates National TRIO Day!

What is National TRIO Day? Why do we celebrate it?

On February 28, 1986, Congress established National TRIO Day on which the nation turns its attention to the needs of youth and adults aspiring to improve their lives through higher education. So every year, TRIO programs all over the country recognize and celebrate the achievements of its participants.

Every year, National TRIO Day is celebrated the last Saturday of February.

Faith Barnes : Upward Bound Alum Nominated for TRIO Hall of Fame



Faith Barnes is an Ohio University junior majoring in journalism. She participated in Upward Bound from 2000 – 2002.

We are very proud of Faith as she is a shining example of how effective our program is to the success of students who are committed to pursuing higher education. “The biggest thing Upward Bound gave to me was the confidence to believe in myself. Coming from my background, it was easy to get discouraged. The staff and other students at Upward Bound created a support system, making everyone feel special, and gave me the encouragement I needed to follow my dreams,” she says.

She continues to give back to Upward Bound by speaking to current participants at academic year workshops and events. In addition to offering moral support to new Upward Bound students during the academic year, Faith is also an integral part of our summer staff serving as a tutor/mentor.

Because of her outstanding achievements and genuine commitment to give back to the TRIO community, Upward Bound has nominated Faith for the 2005 Ohio Association for Educational Opportunity for Program Personnel’s TRIO Hall of Fame.

OAEOPP

The Ohio Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel is a community of professionals committed to helping students who want to achieve success in school and in life. OAEOPP works with TRIO Programs, programs that help participants prepare for and succeed in postsecondary education.

“Excellence is in the details. Give attention to the details and excellence will come.”

-Perry Paxton

Ohio University TRIO Programs

- **Upward Bound**, established in 1967
- **CAP** (College Adjustment Program), also known as Student Support Services, established in 1979
- **McNair Scholars Program**, established in 2004

“National TRIO Day” Highlight of Events

National TRIO Day Reception Banquet

February 26th

(ALL Students)

1:00-4:00pm

Irvine Auditorium

National TRIO Day Spring Reception

April 9th

(UB, CAP, and McNair students)

1:00-3:00pm

President’s Residence



UB Students Who Are Making The Grade..... A&B Honor Roll

Sophomores

Emily Brown
 Skylar Dinkins
 Autumn Fly
 Daniel Gonzalez
 Patricia Hardee
 Olivia Holiday
 Steven Hudson
 Alyssa Hunt
 Samuel Kittle
 Tyler Lee
 Casey Mason
 Joshua Riley
 Jennifer Smith
 Krysta Stitt

Juniors

Matthew Casto
 Justin Green
 Tabitha Gibson
 Laura Hartl
 Visuelle Hayes
 Samantha Leffler
 Krystal Payne
 Simone Savannah
 Beth White

Seniors

Mary Murphy
 Janice Reeder
 Sagan Wallace

“Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave.”

-William Blake

Upcoming Events:

Feb. 26, 2005

National TRIO Day
 (ALL Students)
 1:00-4:00pm
 Irvine Auditorium

March 19, 2005

ACT/SAT Prep Session
 (Sophomores & Juniors)
 10:00am-3:00pm
 McCracken Room 214B

College Admissions
 Advising and
 Study Tables
 (Seniors)

10:00am-3:00pm
 McCracken Room 214A

April 16, 2005

UB Career Conference
 (ALL Students)
 Athens, OH
 8:00am-4:00pm

May 14, 2005

Otterbein College,
 Campus Tour
 (ALL Students)
 Westerville, OH
 9:00am—Departure
 McCracken Hall
 3:00pm—Return to
 McCracken Hall

June 4, 2005

Summer Residential
 Phase Orientation
 (Parents/Guardians
 MUST attend)
 12:00noon-3:00pm
 Morton Hall 235 & 237



Spotlight: Ebony Jones



Ebony Jones, one of Ohio University Upward Bound's finest tutor/mentors has recently been accepted into the TRIO McNair Scholars Program. The McNair Scholars Program is designed to help first-generation, low-income and/or minority students to obtain admittance into graduate school.

In 2000, Ebony joined the Upward Bound program at Case Western Reserve in Cleveland, Ohio. Two years later, upon her completion of high school and the Case Western Reserve University Upward Bound program, Ebony went on to pursue a higher education at Ohio University. "Upward Bound has impacted my success in college tremendously. The purpose of the UB Program is to stimulate the thinking processes, but it also stimulates emotional growth", states Jones. Upward Bound was such a positive and influential experience that Ebony sought out to join the Ohio University Upward Bound family. Ebony has volunteered in the Ohio University Upward Bound office for over two years and was a tutor/mentor for summer 2004. When asked how she benefited from being in the program, Jones stated, "The Upward Bound Program gave me more confidence and opportunities to see beyond my artificial limitations. That is a big reason I am now a junior at Ohio University and I will be graduating next year, and going on to graduate school". Ebony is currently majoring in psychology and has an aspiration to become a psychologist.

When you see Ebony, please be sure to congratulate her on this great accomplishment. Congratulations, Ebony!



New Students.....

Welcome to the Upward Bound Family!

"Nothing is a waste of time if you use the experience wisely."

-Rodin

Upward Bound is a successful pre-college program of rigorous academic instruction, tutoring, and counseling. The program provides high school students with the opportunity to enhance the academic skills necessary to successfully complete high school and enter college.

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Brittany Lowe
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