MARCH NEWSLETTER

WASHBURN UPWARD BOUND + MARCH 2025



WELCOME TO UPWARD BOUND!

Upward Bound Mission.

Upward Bound (UB) is a federal TRIO program that prepares students for higher education through various enrichment courses. Campusbased UB programs provide students instruction in literature, composition, mathematics, science, and foreign language during the school year and the summer. UB also offers intensive mentoring and support for students as they prepare for college entrance exams and tackle admission applications, financial aid, and scholarship forms. All Upward Bound program activities and services are free to students enrolled in the program.

Specifically, the goal of Upward Bound is to get students excited about post-secondary education and picture themselves accomplishing their goals.



Our services include...

- Needs assessment and academic advisement
- Counseling referrals
- Twice monthly Saturday Academies
- · College tours
- Internship/scholarship opportunities exposing participants to careers requiring a post secondary degree
- Guest speakers from various entities
- Exposure to educational and cultural events
- College preparation and financial aid workshops

Enjoy this month's newsletter!

Upward Bound Team

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IMPORTANT DATES!

March is Women's History Month!

Some resources <u>here</u>.

Parent Resource
Learning How to
Learn by Barbra
Oakley, PhD and
Terrence Sejnowski
PhD

WUB Resources

Resource Highlight:

TI-84 Plus CE Graphing Calculators

available to check out in room 338!

ACT TEST TAKING TIPS



STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

There are several ways to pay for a college education. One important way it to utilize free money available from the federal government. To apply for this free aid, students must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

According to NCES, financial aid is received by 85.5% of all students pursuing higher education including college, university, or vocational school.

Current high school seniors should request a Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID by mid-October for both the student and their parent/guardian.

Visit this website to get started and apply for your FSA ID: studentaid.gov/help/fsa-id.

8 Steps to Apply for Federal Student Aid:

- 1. Have Documentation Available (you can find what's needed <u>here</u>)
- 2. Create a Federal Student Aid Account and ID
- 3. Complete the Online FAFSA
- 4. List Codes of Colleges and Universities the student is applying to
- 5. Review, Sign, and Submit the FAFSA application
- 6. Receive the Student Aid Report (SAR)
- 7. Provide additional documentation as necessary
- 8. Receive, Review, and Accept Financial Aid
 Offers

25-26 FAFSA IS OPEN <u>NOW</u>!



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Everyone in grades 9 through 12, now is the time to research and begin applying for college scholarships!

- Create a scholarship and admissions tracking document to keep track of where you want to attend college and what scholarships you have applied for
- Often they are essay based and your Upward Bound Advisor and tutors can help edit your essay.
- When it's time to apply for college, you can ask your college Admissions staff for tips on where to find scholarships unique to your college of interest.
- Opening an email account to only use when applying for scholarships or colleges.
- Check out Google classroom for upcoming scholarship opportunities.

SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHTS:

 Horatio Alger Association, Due March 15th, 2025

SCHOLARSHIP QUICK LINKS:

Washburn University

Washburn Tech

K-State

KU

Emporia State

Pitt State

Fort Hays State

WSU

JCCC

*PLEASE INFORM ZALMA IF YOU'D LIKE ANOTHER SCHOOL ADDED TO THIS LIST.

Check Google drive for a full list of scholarships!







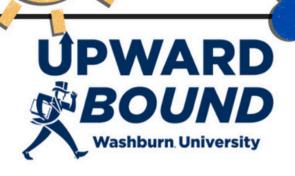












SATURDAY, ACADEMY

Spring 2025 8:30am - 1:00 pm at the Plass Building Washburn University

https://forms.office.com/r/GkFDVZVAGd

DATES:

Saturday: 1/18/25

Saturday: 2/1/25

Saturday: 2/15/25

Saturday: 3/1/25

Saturday: 3/22/25

Saturday: 4/5/25

Saturday: 4/19/25

SIGN UP!





TROJAN TIME ** WORKSHOP **

SPRING 2025

January

- · Week 1: Strategies for Scholarship Writing
- Week 2: Making College More Affordable
- Week 3: ACT and SAT Overview
- Week 4 : Developing Good Study Habits

February

- Week 1 : Celebrating Black History Month
- Week 2: The College Application, Writing a Personal Statement
- Week 3: National TRIO Day Celebration
- Week 4 : Digital Citizenship

March

- Week 1 : Celebrating Women's History Month
- · Week 4: Understanding Debt

April

· Week 1: Stress Awareness Month

Week 2 : Building a College List

Week 4 : Personal Finance: Budgeting

Skills







