

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Upward Bound provides fundamental academic support and guidance to participants in their preparation for college entrance. The program provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their precollege performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. Upward Bound serves high school students from low-income families and/or high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education.



## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM?

An individual is eligible to participate in the Upward Bound Program if he/she meets all of the following requirements:

- Is a citizen, permanent resident, or national of the United States; a permanent resident of Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; a resident of the Freely Associated States — the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of Palau, or the Republic of the Marshall Islands.
- A potential first-generation college student; or a low-income individual.
- Has a need for academic support and must plan to pursue a college education after high school.
- At the time of initial selection, has completed the eighth grade but has not entered the twelfth grade and is at least 13 years old but not older than 19.

## TYPES OF SERVICES

Upward Bound Program consists of an Academic Year Component and a Summer Component which includes activities as follows:

### Academic Year Component - October to May

- Instruction in Math, Foreign Language, Literature, Composition, and Laboratory Science
- Academic Tutoring
- Preparation for College Entrance Examinations
- Financial and Economic Literacy
- Financial Planning for College Education
- Assistance in completing Financial Aid & College Applications
- Career Exploration
- Technology Exposure
- Guidance Counseling and Advising Services:
  - ✓ College Planning
  - ✓ Financial Aid Programs
  - ✓ College Admission Process
  - ✓ Secondary & College Course Selection
  - ✓ Secondary & College re-entry
- Monthly Workshops for participants
- Quarterly Workshops for parents

### Summer Component - June to July

- A six-week summer program of intensive college level activities which includes instruction/tutoring in Math, Foreign Language, Composition, and Literature
- Academic Tutoring
- Summer Bridge Program
- College Campus Tour
- Work Study Program
- Career Mentoring Program
- Cultural Enrichment Program
- Field Trips
- Guidance Counseling and Advising Services:
  - ✓ College Planning
  - ✓ Financial Aid Programs
  - ✓ College Admission Process
  - ✓ Secondary & College Course Selection
  - ✓ Secondary & College re-entry

## **PARTICIPATING HIGH SCHOOLS**

- Belau Modekngai School
- Emmaus-Bethania High School
- Mindszenty High School
- Palau High School
- Palau Mission Academy

## **INFORMATION/INQUIRIES**

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