

### Upward Bound 2015-2016 Activities Calendar

This schedule is subject to change. Students will be notified in advance of any changes.

AUGUST 2015							13 Teachers/Coaches return to schools
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	19 First Day of School
						1	22 Saturday Session @ SHHS
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	30 Zumbathon @ HCC
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	31 After School tutoring begins at HMSHS
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
30	31						

  

SEPTEMBER 2015							1 After School tutoring begins at SHHS, WHS, & NHHS
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	7 No School
		1	2	3	4	5	12 Saturday Session @ SHHS
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	26 Johns Hopkins Open House
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	29 Parent Meeting
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30				

  

OCTOBER 2015							10 Saturday Session @ SHHS
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	14 WCPS College Fair @ HCC from 6 – 8pm
				1	2	3	16 UMBC Open House
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

  

NOVEMBER 2015							2-3 No School
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	2 Mt Saint Mary's & NETC
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	3 National Institute of Health
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	14 JMU Open House
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21 Saturday Session @ SHHS
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	24 Parent Meeting
29	30						25-27 Thanksgiving Break

  

DECEMBER 2015							12 Saturday Session @ SHHS
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	18/19 Red Cross gift wrapping
		1	2	3	4	5	24-31 Winter Break
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30	31			

  

JANUARY 2016							1 Winter Break cont.
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	9 Saturday Session @ HCC: FAFSA Lab
					1	2	15 2 ½ Early Dismissal
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	18-19 No School
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	18 MLK Day Activity
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	26 Parent Meeting
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
31							

  

FEBRUARY 2016							13 Saturday Session @ HCC
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	15 No School
	1	2	3	4	5	6	27 MD TRiO Day
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28	29						

  

MARCH 2016							12 Saturday Session @ HCC: ACCUPLACER
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	21-28 Spring Break
		1	2	3	4	5	29 Parent Meeting
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30	31			

  

APRIL 2016							9 Saturday Session @ HCC
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	16 USA Science & Engineering Festival
					1	2	30 Maryland Day @ UMCP
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	

  

MAY 2016							14 Saturday Session @ HCC
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	21 New York City *Limited Seating*
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	24 Parent Meeting
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	30 No School
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30	31					

  

JUNE 2016							1-2 End after school tutoring Tent. Last Day of School
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	17 UB Summer Academy Orientation 8am-1pm
		1	2	3	4		20-30 UB Summer Academy M-Th 8am-1pm
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	24 Cedar Ridge Adventures
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28	29	30			

  

JULY 2016							1-29 UB Summer Academy M-Th 8am-1pm
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	1 Summer Field Trip #1
					1	2	4 Independence Day (no classes or activities)
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	8 Service Activity
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	15 Summer Field Trip #3
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	22 Summer Field Trip #4
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29 Incentive Summer Trip
31							8/3 Recognition Ceremony

Weekly Tutoring Schedule from 3:40 – 4:40: SHHS, NHHS, WHS: Tuesday/Thursday Hancock: Monday/Wednesday

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Hagerstown Police Officer, Amber Blackmire, visited the UB students during a Saturday Session to share her experience through college as well as provide valuable career information.

## Upward Bound Program concludes successful third year

The planning and establishment of the Hagerstown Community College TRiO Upward Bound program began in September 2012 and was led by staff from the HCC Office of Academic Affairs. In collaboration with the Washington County Public School System, Upward Bound has helped numerous students with college readiness and exploration, as well as provided students with guidance, additional resources, and support to be successful. Students have shown dedication and commitment to the program by continuously attending program activities, such as tutoring sessions, Saturday sessions, field trips, etc.

Upward Bound provided services to a variety of students from Hancock Middle Senior High School, North Hagerstown High School, South Hagerstown High School, and Williamsport High School for the 2014-2015 project year. Through various services offered by the program, students were provided an opportunity to get a head start on college planning and preparation beginning as early as 9th grade. Examples of Upward Bound

services include: after-school tutoring, personalized advising, college and career planning assistance, pre-college workshops, information on financial literacy and financial aid, cultural field trips and college tours, guest speaker presentations, specialized academic enrichment curricula, and opportunities to earn college credit free of tuition and fees. All services are free to the Upward Bound students and are supported by grant funds from the U.S. Department of Education. Many of the students accepted into the HCC Upward Bound program have hopes of being the first in their families to complete a college degree.

The Upward Bound staff work diligently to provide meaningful and helpful activities to participants throughout the year, relying heavily on student and parent feedback as well as collaborating with the community for beneficial services. Students who actively participate in the program are more likely to persevere in a smooth transition from high school to college. Program staff welcome involvement from outside organizations that would also assist in college preparation for students.

## Hagerstown Community College holds recognition ceremony for UB students



Upward Bound students who attended the Recognition Ceremony received great advice

Upon completion of the Upward Bound Summer Academy, Hagerstown Community College held its third annual TRiO Upward Bound recognition ceremony in the Kepler Theater, and recognized students and their achievements during the 2014-2015 school year. Following remarks from HCC President Guy Altieri, attendees heard from student speaker O'Shea Taft-Ward; and keynote speaker, Dr. Jason Best. Several awards for academic excellence and program completion were presented by Kimberly and Danielle.

During the 2015 six-week summer academy, students participated in academic instruction in mathematics, English, science, and world language. Washington County Public School teachers were hired to develop and implement activity-based learning curricula, and Hagerstown Community College faculty taught college coursework for English 101, and chemistry 101 with the corresponding lab. Additional students enrolled in an English 102 summer class for transfer credit. Students attended class Monday through Thursday and had the opportunity to utilize several resources available to them on campus, such as the library and Learning Support Center for tutoring. After successful completion of the Summer Academy, students could earn up to two high school elective credits and/or 3-9 college credits. The academy was at no cost to the student - tuition and fees were funded by the U.S. Department of Education and Hagerstown Community College. Transportation and meals were provided by Washington County Public Schools. In addition to their coursework, students also participated in Friday Field Trips: Cedar Ridge Adventures, Frostburg State University, Towson University & the National Aquarium, West Virginia University, Shippensburg University, Penn State Mont Alto, Hershey Museum and Hersheypark.

In addition to the annual summer academy, students who recently graduated from high school have the opportunity to complete the Upward Bound Summer Bridge program, which is specifically designed for students who recently graduated high school to transition into college. Students may earn three to twelve college credits during the summer before starting their first official semester as a college student.

Upward Bound seniors attending college immediately following their high school graduation:

Alexia Butler, East Carolina University  
 Victoria Asper, Stevenson University  
 Amber Leisinger, Hagerstown Community College  
 Kylah Barnes, University of Maryland - College Park  
 Thomas Evonlah, Salisbury University  
 Patricia Howard, Hagerstown Community College  
 Tara Buskirk, Hagerstown Community College

Libby Anderson, Hagerstown Community College  
 Eddie Chappell, Arizona State University  
 Faith Hargett, Mount Saint Mary's University  
 Lili Flowers, Shepherd University  
 Kobi Morgan, Hagerstown Community College  
 Felicia Jamison, Frostburg State University  
 Cole Barnhart, Frederick Community College



Upward Bound Alumna, O'Shea Taft, gives students and family advice on being successful during the first year at college.

## Two students receive first annual Upward Bound Scholarship Award

The Upward Bound Scholarship fund was created in late 2014 in an effort to further assist students with college expenses. Funding for the scholarship relies solely on fund-raising efforts by Upward Bound students and staff. Any student participating in Upward Bound through their high school is eligible to complete and submit the application packet. Elizabeth (Libby) Anderson from Williamsport High School, and Tara Buskirk from Hancock Middle-Senior High School each received the first awards of \$500. Libby attends Hagerstown Community College, and after obtaining her associate degree, will transfer to complete a baccalaureate and professional degree in physical therapy/fitness education. Tara attends Hagerstown Community College, and after obtaining her associate degree, will transfer to complete a baccalaureate and professional degree in education with a goal of becoming a school teacher.



July 17 - West Virginia University tour and information session



July 10 - Towson University information session and tour



July 24 - Shippensburg University information session and tour



English 101 students visit the Conococheague Institute Museum and Library for an assignment during the Summer Academy.



Students practice team building skills during first day of summer academy at Cedar Ridge Adventures.



July 31 - Upward Bound students visited Hersheypark on the last day of summer academy.

## First annual Zumbathon event raises money for UB Scholarship Fund

On Sunday August 30th, nearly 40 people participated in the first Upward Bound Zumbathon, an event organized to help raise money for the scholarship fund. Attendees paid a ten-dollar donation entry fee and raffle prizes were given out during intermission. Four different local Zumba instructors volunteered their time and shared dance routines throughout the two-hour event. Based on feedback, participants really enjoyed themselves, and are looking forward to another Zumbathon event scheduled for late January. If you missed this first one, you'll definitely want to come to the next one!

