

"The High Standard"

Le Moyne College Upward Bound Program

November 2, 2013

Director's Dialogue:

Dear Upward Bound Parents/Guardians:

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will have completed four weeks of the 2013-2014 academic year.

We are "excited" to begin the new Upward Bound Program cycle...even though the program is experiencing a budget cut, there are still many quality activities and events planned during this year.

Please **mark your calendar** and take advantage of the Upward Bound activities and events. If you are involved, your children will engage and be involved!

Sincerely,

Johnnie Hill-Marsh, Director

2013-2014 Staff

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REMINDER:

If your child is not able to attend Saturday Tutorial, please call the Upward Bound Office at 445-4532 no later than 4:15pm on Friday prior to the Saturday Scholastic Academy. The Office is NOT OPEN on Saturday. If you need to call Saturday morning, parents need to call Ms Martin-Coore at 415-1891 or Mr. Black at 744-0974 to leave a message. Messages left on the office voicemail will not be received until Tuesday.



Upcoming Events

November

16th College Applications are Due in Senior Seminar

16th Class Rep meeting 7:30am cafeteria

30th NO SSA Thanksgiving Weekend

December

7st SAT Registration for all junior students

14th PAB Raffle setup 11:00 am

14th Holiday Celebration / PAB Basket Raffle

Saturday, 12:00 pm – 2:00pm

Campus Center Cafeteria

21th NO SSA School Holiday Break

28th NO SSA School Holiday Break

January

11th Financial Aid Workshop (Senior Parents Only)

18th & 25th Campus Visit & Community Service Signup

18th Class Rep meeting 7:30am cafeteria

February

8th Parent Advisory Board Meeting 8:45am RH 438

8th Class Rep meeting 7:30am cafeteria

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Erin Clarke	SAT Prep/Reading
Kevin Evens	Social Studies
Laura Foster	Senior Seminar/Study Skills
Haleh Tabesh	Math

2013-2014 Tutor Counselors

Mary Carley	Brandon Lewis
James Cochran	Lorenda Mable
Marie Harrell	Kahlil Russell-Starks
Tiffany Howell	Felicia Woodard

PAB Fundraiser

December 14th is the annual Holiday Celebration. Traditionally, the PAB sponsors a “Holiday Basket Raffle” to raise money for Book Awards for the graduating Seniors.

Parents are asked to either bring items to be placed in baskets, donate cash, or sign up to bring a “theme” gift basket (value of approx. \$15.00) on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Parents & Guardians bringing baskets on Sat. Dec. 14th are asked to have them to the Cafeteria at the Campus Center no later than 11:00am for setup.

Theme gift baskets ideas might be: “tailgate basket” “movie nite” “kids games” “wine & cheese” “pampered chef” teens or children themed. Etc. For more information contact : **Kenyotta Archie at 383-5041 or kjarchie@twcny.rr.com.**



**Holiday Celebration
Saturday, December 14th
Campus Center Cafeteria**

Students and their families will have the opportunity to learn how various cultures celebrate the holiday season. Students will also be recognized for their academic accomplishments for the fall semester. A light lunch will be served.

Upward Bound students will receive their lunch complimentary. Ticket Price for Parents, Children, Guardians and Guests: \$8.00 (Children 4 and under are free).

A raffle ticket will be given for each sold or reserved ticket before Dec. 6th. Please call the office at 445 4532 to make reservation on or before Friday, Dec. 6th.

The “Holiday Basket Raffle” will be held during this event.

Financial Aid Workshop

The Upward Bound Program will be sponsoring their **annual Financial Aid Workshop for parents/guardians of high school Seniors on January 11th**, please plan to arrive no later than **8:45 am** in Reilly Hall Room RH248. Parents and students are asked to prepare for this workshop by going to the following websites and completing the FAFSA:

www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/completedefafsa
FAFSA Web Worksheet: **www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov/worksheet**



Christmas Holiday Observance

Monday, December 24, 2012—Tuesday, January 1, 2013

The Upward Bound office will be closed on the above dates and will reopen on Wednesday, January 2, 2013. There will be no instructional or tutorial sessions on Saturdays, December 22 and December 29. Enjoy the holidays !



Operation Christmas Child

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Students are collecting items for children (ages 2-14) and cash to cover shipping, for Samaritan’s Purse. Items such as small toys (balls, dolls, stuffed animals, jump rope or school supplies such as pencils, crayons, paper or picture books; hygiene items such as toothbrush, toothpaste and soaps are suggested. **Do Not Include used or damaged items, war-related items (such as toy guns, knives or military figures or any food items.** Donations can be brought to SSA or to the Upward Bound Office. Donations need to be made no later than Saturday, Nov. 9th.

Control Your Holiday Credit Card Debt

Susan Taylor, Consumer and Family Economics Educator

The holidays should be a joyful time for you and your family. But for many families raising grandchildren, it’s tough to find the extra cash for holiday expenses. Using your credit cards may solve the immediate problem, but the debt can create other problems.

Most families don’t plan to run up high balances on their credit cards during the holidays—it just happens. Nearly one-third of adults say they spent more than they planned on holiday gifts. Most spent \$100 to \$500 more than they planned. It is hard to pay off an extra \$500 on credit cards after the holidays.

Ways to Control Spending

- Start by making a written plan for holiday spending. Think about how much you can afford to spend on gifts, decorations, holiday meals, and travel.
- Set a spending limit for gifts for each person. Include limits on other items in your spending plan. Start looking for bargains early. If it’s been a tough year for you, think about cutting back on what you usually spend. Talk with friends and family about not exchanging gifts, drawing names so you give fewer gifts, or setting dollar limits on gifts.
- Decide if you are going to use a credit card for holiday spending. If you use only cash, leave your credit cards at home so that you won’t be tempted. If you write checks, be sure to record each in your register and figure the balance before writing another check. Stay within your limit!

