MSU Upward Bound

Academic Year: October through May on Mondays 3pm-5:30pm
Summer: Six weeks from June through July

Audience
- We currently serve 82 students; 40 additional students will be joining us starting in February, 2016
- Currently 51 students are female and 31 are male
- These students are ninth through twelfth grade students, from Lansing high schools, who are potentially first-generation college students and/or from low-income families and have the potential to succeed in college with academic support.

Funding
- Upward Bound is primarily funded through the U.S. Department of Education and MSU

Additional Sources of Student Aid
- The MSU Office of Admissions established the “Upward Bound Legacy Award” fall semester of 2009. The award guarantees that tuition and fees will be covered through grants and scholarships during their undergraduate career (four years or eight semesters) if these expenses are unmet by their financial aid package.
- Study Abroad: This program honors the most outstanding students who advance to MSU directly from their time at Upward Bound.

Program Description

Academic Year Program:
Services during our academic component include
- Weekly tutoring on Mondays at MSU
- Mentoring
- Enrichment activities & field trips
- Leadership training & conferences
- Academic, personal, and career advising
- Wharton Center performances & cultural opportunities
- Weekly stipend for satisfactory program participation
- ACT/SAT Preparation

Summer Program
Services during our Summer component include:
- Six week program at MSU Campus taught by MSU faculty, and, and certified secondary school teachers
- Educational field trips
- Courses in English, Math, Science and Foreign Language
- High school credit
- Residential living experience on campus
- One week educational study trip outside of Michigan
- Weekly stipend for satisfactory program participation
- Work Study Program

Objectives
To generate the skills and motivation necessary for students to complete a program of secondary education and to enter and succeed in a program of postsecondary education and ultimately become productive professionals.
- At least 50% of students will have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 by the end of the school year
- At least 45% of the students will have proficiency on a state assessment in reading, language arts, and math
- At least 80% of students will be promoted to the next level or graduate from high school
- At least 80% of students will complete a rigorous secondary program of study
- At least 80% of students will enroll in postsecondary education immediately following high school graduation
- At least 50% of students will complete postsecondary education within six years of high school graduation

Outcomes
- 75% of students achieved a 2.5 GPA or above
- 45% of students achieved proficiency on the ACT
- 100% of students were promoted to the next grade level or graduated
- 97% of students completed a rigorous secondary program of study
- 93% of those who graduated enrolled in college in the fall term immediately following high school
- 1996 MSU Upward Bound Alumnus Michael Muse received the National TRIO Achiever’s Award
- 50 current Upward Bound students traveling through GA and AL on a historical civil rights bus tour and blogged their experiences which received over 1,000 readers during their trip
- Six 2015 graduates attended MSU freshman Study Abroad program in Italy

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