



## Upward Bound Information Sheet

### *WHAT IS UPWARD BOUND?*

It is a program funded by the federal government (U.S. Department of Education) that is designed to help students further develop interest in attending college and improve their academic skills so that they can be successful in college. Upward Bound, one of the oldest TRIO programs, is a highly successful, college-based program. It provides rigorous academic instruction, individual tutoring, and advising for high school students who come from backgrounds that are traditionally under-represented in post-secondary education. Most participants are the first generation of their families to consider post-secondary education.

### *WHEN IS UPWARD BOUND?*

The program continues all year but can be thought of as having two parts:

1. During the academic year, students meet at their school for advising with program staff, attend Saturday academic skills improvement workshops, attend field trips around the city and visit colleges throughout the Midwest and East Coast.
2. During the summer, Upward Bound students live on the college campus and are involved in an intensive academic study program with an emphasis on composition, literature, mathematics, science, and foreign language. Instruction is individualized, often with as few as four students per teacher. Individual and group advising is also an important element of the program. Upward Bound's residential program runs for six weeks during the summer on the campus of Baldwin-Wallace College.

### *HOW CAN UPWARD BOUND HELP YOU?*

The program provides participants with college information, advising, academic enrichment classes, tutoring, encouragement and support to achieve one's fullest potential.

Upward Bound seeks to help you in the following ways:

- encourages you to explore a wide variety of career and educational possibilities;
- provides exposure to new experiences by providing you the opportunity to participate in a variety of cultural, recreational and social events and activities;
- raises your awareness of the value of education and helps you to discover that learning can be fun and satisfying;
- assists you in developing your leadership skills and provides opportunities to exercise these skills;
- encourages your personal growth and development by helping you discover your uniqueness and individual strengths.

Please keep this insert so you have information about the Baldwin-Wallace College Upward Bound Program.

**On the reverse side, there are some facts about the students and success of our program.**

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## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

**TRIO**

Students that are interested in participating in the Upward Bound Program must meet the following criteria:

- Must attend James F. Rhodes, John Marshall, Glenville, South, John F. Kennedy or Lincoln-West High School in the Cleveland Municipal School District  
*\* This includes individuals who just graduated 8th grade and plan on attending one of the above schools\**
- Must have at least a 2.0, preferably a 2.25 grade point average based on a 4.0 scale
- Must be enrolled in college preparatory classes or have the potential to enroll in college preparatory classes
- Must meet the federal criteria for first generation college student, which means that neither the parent(s) nor legal guardian(s) with whom the student resides has obtained a **four-year** degree
- Must meet federal criteria for low income

**If you are still unclear about a potential candidate's eligibility please have them call our office.**

## UPWARD BOUND FACTS

- Forty-six percent of all Baldwin-Wallace College Upward Bound students had at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average in the 2003-2004 academic year.
- Twenty-one percent had a 3.5 or higher grade point average.
- In each of the last eleven years at least 97% of all Baldwin-Wallace College Upward Bound seniors graduated from high school
- 88% of all Upward Bound high school graduates have enrolled in a program of post-secondary education

**If you have any questions, comments or concerns please call our office at (440) 826-2208 or email us at [UpwrdBnd@bw.edu](mailto:UpwrdBnd@bw.edu).**

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**<http://www.bw.edu/resources/upward>**