

What's the Cost of this Program?

Your time and commitment.

There is virtually NO Financial Cost to the student or their family for all of the services provided through the academic year or the six-week summer program. Most fees for transportation to field trips, housing, meals, classes and course materials are covered by the program.



TRIO
Upward Bound is a TRIO program fully funded annually by the U.S. Department of Education. TRIO programs support higher education for all students without regard to race, gender, national origin or disability.



**DON'T LET
ANYONE
STOP YOU
FROM
REALIZING
YOUR
DREAMS !**



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Black United Fund of Illinois, Inc. **UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM**

**Students Pursuing
Excellence Through
Education**

What is Upward Bound?

It is an academic pre-college program funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

The purpose of the Upward Bound Program is to prepare and motivate students from low income families and/ or first generation students to attend and successfully complete enrollment in and graduation from an institution of higher learning at the college or university of their choice





RESOURCES & OFFERINGS

SCHOOL YEAR

- Academic Enrichment & Tutoring
- College & Career Counseling
- Financial Planning Workshops
- Senior Workshops
- SAT/ACT prep Free College tours
- Cultural Enrichment tours
- Saturday Enrichment Sessions
- Stipends

SUMMER ACADEMY

- 6 week program
- On Campus living
- More in-depth experiences in core classes
- Participate in work-study experiences
- Cultural trips and events
- Participate in electives such as dance, art, etc
- S.T.E.A.M.
- Tutoring & Mentoring
- Community service

REQUIREMENTS

- Be enrolled in the following schools:
Chicago Vocational Career Academy
Percy Julian High School
- 8th grade completers
- Current high school - 9th, 10th & 11th grader
- STRONG desire to attend college and willing to wake college prep classes
- Have a minimum 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Meet federal income guidelines
- First-generation college bound
- Be a US citizen or permanent US resident
- Complete the Upward Bound application process



"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world." — Harriet Tubman



STUDENT BENEFITS

- Group visits to a variety of colleges and universities.
- Opportunities to travel out of state and live in residence halls on the college campuses.
- Participation in various conferences, seminars and workshops in and out of state.
- Improve grades, meet new friends and interact with students from other schools.
- Activities including lectures, multi-cultural symposia, conferences, etc.
- Assistance with locating and applying for scholarships, etc.
- Additional support to achieve your educational goals

