

TRIO UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM MT. SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE



PROGRAM INFORMATION

TRIO Upward Bound is an academic program that prepares high school students for higher education. We focus on academic success, university selection, opportunities for career exploration, individual assistance with college applications and financial aid. All services provided by the program are FREE of charge for all participants!

UPWARD BOUND MANDATORY PROGRAM COMPONENTS:

- **AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING**
Students are expected to complete 4 hours of tutoring after school once a week, where tutors help students who have difficulty with their homework or with any other subject.
- **SATURDAY ACADEMY**
Students will take part in 9 Saturday Academy sessions throughout the year, where they are exposed to a variety of activities to help them in their educational development.
- **ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT**
The Academic Specialist helps students with appropriate measures to ensure that they take appropriate courses for college admission and explore educational options.
- **EDUCATIONAL AND COLLEGE TOURS**
Students are exposed to various educational systems in the state of California: California State University, University of California, and Private Universities. The college tours allow students to visit and explore various universities.
- **SUMMER PROGRAM**
Students participate in the 7-week summer program, students live at a College dorm for one week of the program. The purpose of the summer program is to prepare participants for college.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY:

- U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Attend La Puente High School or Ganesha High School
- Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5
- Students who are committed to participating actively in programmatic activities
- Students who are motivated to attend a university

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ONLINE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please ensure all of the following materials are completed and are submitted online (Your application will not be accepted if any information and/or documents are missing):

ONLINE APPLICATION LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/mtsacub>

ONLINE APPLICATION FORM

Please fill out and submit your online application in the link provided above. Make sure to upload your Autobiographical Essay, Teacher Recommendation Form and Unofficial Transcripts in the application.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL ESSAY – Upload to online application

On a Word Document, type a detailed autobiography that is a minimum of five paragraphs using the following as a guide:

- **Paragraph 1:** Introduce yourself
- **Paragraph 2:** Discuss all extracurricular activities you are involved with, in and outside of school (i.e. sports, student government, clubs, community or church groups, hobbies, other organizations, etc.)
- **Paragraph 3:** Explain your reasons for wanting to go to college; and describe your educational plans (i.e. what degree you plan to obtain) and your career plans for the future
- **Paragraph 4:** Discuss whether or not you feel your grades in school thus far accurately reflect your potential. If they do not, explain what you think it will take for you to do better in school and how Upward Bound can assist you.
- **Paragraph 5:** Explain what role the Upward Bound Program will have in your life and why you want to be in this program

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM – Upload to online application

The Recommendation Form needs to be filled out by a teacher and must be uploaded in your online application. The Recommendation Form is attached to the email you received along this document.

UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS – Upload to online application

Please provide and upload your high school unofficial transcripts in your application. If you are not able to obtain your unofficial transcripts from your high school counselor, please email the Upward Bound Program Coordinator to notify them.

EMAIL ADDRESS

Please provide a current email address that you check daily in your online application. If you do not have an email address, please create one. The Upward Bound staff will communicate with you through the email address you provide to set up an interview and for any other program purposes.