**Important Information and Reminders for Students & Community**

**Academic Year Program 2019-2020 Calendar**

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*Parking Restrictions for UMD Athletic Events. On game days, free parking is available at Mowatt Lane Garage, 7591 Mowatt Lane, College Park, MD 20742. Mowatt is about a 15-minute walk to Physics Building. To view location on map, click [here](#).*

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**Modified Schedule for December 7**
We will operate on a modified class schedule to accommodate for a longer General Assembly/Cultural Celebration. Each class will be 30 minutes. See schedule below.

Period 1 9-9:30 a.m.
Period 2 9:35-10:05 a.m.
Period 3 10:10-10:40 a.m.
Period 4 10:45-11:15 a.m.
Period 5 11:20 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

**Room Change: Dr. Ferrell PHY 4220; Math/Science Tutorials PHY 4207:** PHY 4206 will be used by another group on December 7. Therefore, Dr. Ferrell’s classes will meet in PHY 4220, and Katherine and Joel’s Tutorials will meet in PHY 4207.

**Stipends Distributed at End of Semester - Check Your Eligibility:** Saturday Academy stipends will no longer be paid on a monthly basis. Stipends will now be paid on a semester basis. Stipends for fall attendance will be paid in late December/January. Stipends for spring attendance will be paid in May/early June.

Students: To be eligible to receive your stipend, please make sure you have completed the following tasks no later than Monday, December 9.

1) Submitted your Upward Bound registration forms (Student Agreement, Parent Agreement, Emergency Information Form, Student Financial Literacy Agreement)
2) Turned in a copy of your first quarter report card.
3) Completed the Mid-Year Upward Bound Evaluation: [https://umdsurvey.umd.edu/jfe/form/SV_9nUhvcSnfrZLqSx](https://umdsurvey.umd.edu/jfe/form/SV_9nUhvcSnfrZLqSx)

If you have any questions/concerns about your stipend, please contact your Upward Bound Counselor.

**December 7: Upward Bound Cultural Celebration:** Tomorrow’s General Assembly will feature a Cultural Celebration highlighting the many cultures represented in our program! For more information or to sign up, please contact Dr. Kinard, Associate Director, at bkinard@umd.edu or 301-405-6776.

**SGA Winter Apparel Drive: December 7-17:** Your Student Government Association has organized a Winter Apparel Drive to benefit homeless youth in our community!

As the temperatures get colder and you pull out your winter items from last season, identify gently worn items that you may no longer fit or need. Consider donating these items to the SGA Winter Apparel Drive. Items such as those listed below are needed:

- Jackets or Coats
- Scarves
- Gloves
- Hats

Items should be clean and in good condition.

Students/Parents: You may drop off items in the Pre-College Programs’ Office (PHY 4111) on Saturday, December 7 or Monday-Friday December 9 - December 17. Each donor’s name will be entered into a raffle for a $25 gift card to Amazon.

Students: If you are interested in earning community service hours by assisting SGA with the Winter Drive, please email mavejacob02@gmail.com.
Have You Moved? Complete the Change of Address Form: If you have changed home addresses, you must update your Counselor so the change can be made in your student file. This is especially important as we approach our Winter Break. During this time, students will receive their W2 (government document that reports your yearly stipend earnings) and their November/December stipends in the mail.

If you have moved, please download the “Change of Address” Form from our website. Go to www.precollege.umd.edu. Go to “Forms”. Under “Payroll Forms” click the link for “Change of Address”. You can fill out a PDF version of the form, print the form, and turn it in to your Counselor. Note the following:

- The student is the “Employee”.
- Use the student’s Social Security Number.
- Agency Number: 360222
- Payroll System: “UM”
- Name of Employing Agency: “University of Maryland”

Support the Parents Association Fundraiser - Order By Dec 12 to Receive By Christmas: Shop for holiday gifts (or for yourself), earn service hours, and help raise money for Pre-College Programs’ Parent Association! Here are the steps:

1) Go to www.boonsupply.com/1015881
2) Shop online. 40% will go to Upward Bound PTSA.
3) Share link with friends and encourage them to support this fundraiser as well.

The site will be available until 12-31-19. Orders must be in by 12-12-19 in order receive delivery by the holiday. Online orders get shipped directly to your home.

For more information, please email ptso.upwardbound@gmail.com

Dec/Jan Tutoring Available By Appointment Only: Select tutors will be available during the Saturday Academy Winter Break (December 9-January 24). More information will shared via email next week.

Opportunities for Internships/Special Programs

- LEDA: Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America - FREE Summer program at Princeton University - Apply by December 11
  - Current juniors only
  - 3.6 or higher GPA
- NASA: Applications open now! Apply by March 8: https://intern.nasa.gov/
  - Must be 16 years of age at the time of application.
  - See Dr. Ferrell, Upward Bound Lecturer, with questions
- National Institutes of Health - Application is NOW OPEN! - Due Jan 17
  - HiSTEP (current juniors) https://www.training.nih.gov/histep
  - HiSTEP 2.0 (current seniors) https://www.training.nih.gov/histep

Seniors & Senior Parents/Guardians:

- **Scholarship Search Tips:** Now that most college applications have been submitted, this is a great time to shift your attention to researching and applying for scholarships. Here are some tips:
  1. Register and complete profile for College Greenlight, a free scholarship database that both students and parents can use. Visit www.collegegreenlight.com
  2. Find out your high school’s process/method for distributing scholarship information (email list, bulletin board, binder in the Counseling Office). Be sure to check regularly for updates.
3. Share scholarship information with your peer or parent network. If you come across a scholarship that you are not eligible for, chances are someone you know may be able to apply. Ask those in your network to also share scholarships with you.

Article: 13 Tips for Winning College Scholarships

- **FAFSA Completed! Now What?** Senior and parents/guardians: After you complete the FAFSA, please monitor your email for a confirmation message letting you know that your FAFSA was “successfully submitted”. The confirmation email should include the following:
  a. Student’s estimated family contribution (EFC)
  b. An estimate of federal grants or loans you will receive

Please review this email carefully and forward it to your Upward Bound Counselor. View this website “After the FAFSA: What Happens Next?”

- **Register for MDCAPS:** The second step to get money for college is for students to register for the Maryland College Aid Processing System (MDCAPS). Students can register at MDCAPS website.

- **Senior Graduation Ceremony (June 2020):** More information coming soon!
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**Parent Association – Get a Head Start on Service for 2019-20**

All parents/guardians are encouraged to get involved with our Parent Association! Your help is needed to enhance program services for students.

Listed below are a few activities that can benefit from parent/family support:

- Earn service hours for participation in the Fundraiser. For more information, email ptso.upwardbound@gmail.com

- Hall monitoring: Email ptso.upwardbound@gmail.com to sign up!

- Attend Parent Association meetings to stay updated and contribute to program support. Parent meeting location is PHY 1410. Next meeting will be December 7, 9:30am.

- **Donate non-perishable single-serve snacks/beverages** for program events and SGA fundraising, e.g. granola bars, fruit snacks, cookies, candy, or juices. 1 (one) hour will be offered for each donation amounting to $10; receipts are requested. To arrange donation, please contact the Parent Association at ptso.upwardbound@gmail.com

If there are other ways/ideas that you would like to contribute to our community and earn parent service hours, please email your child’s counselor.