



MAC TRIO

Upward Bound

February Newsletter 2024



Upcoming Events:

February 10

Saturday Program
Science Center and Webster
University

March 1

UB Scholarship Application
Due

March 2

Saturday Program
ACT Prep
STEP Application Due

March 8

T-shirt design Contest forms
are due.

March 11 - 14 and March 25 - 28

No weekly meetings.

April 1

FAFSA

Priority Deadline

April 13

Saturday Program
ACT Test Day
Senior Celebration

April 18

CTE Signing Day at MAC
4:30 - 7:30 pm

May 3

Friday Night End of Year
Celebration

The ACT is Coming Up

Each year Upward Bound prepares our students to take the ACT in April. The test is designed to evaluate high school student's readiness for college coursework. It covers various topics from four different subject areas: English, mathematics, reading, and science. Students who take the ACT are challenged to read and comprehend questions, interpret what is really being asked, and problem-solve to find answers quickly.

The ACT is an important factor used by colleges to determine what students may be admitted to an institution or even the classes they must enroll in when beginning college. For example, a student with a high ACT score will avoid taking remedial courses at their college or university. They may also be eligible for scholarships and grants.

As part of Upward Bound's strategy to give our students the best chance at being competitive in college, we prepare our students in advance of the ACT by having students work on practice ACT questions during weekly meetings and at our March Saturday program, where we will have several ACT test prep classes.

With many students falling behind as a result of the disruptions to their school schedules and classes going online, it is now more important than ever that they begin to take preparations for the ACT seriously. Students should add time to their schedules and spend a few hours a week attempting practice questions in ACT practice tests which can be found online. The official website actstudent.org is an excellent resource to find out more information about the test, and it contains sample questions to study as well. Those who spend their time wisely preparing for the ACT will increase the likelihood of meeting their test goals!

Student News

- The AVHS Choir was selected to preform at the State Music Conference this year.
- Connor Kinney received a promotion in JROTC!
- Cynthia Crisp's group placed 1st in their category at FCCLA.
- Katarina Oliver was selected to be Central's Student of the Month.



Happy BIRTHDAY

Sarah Benson
 Ashley Daly
 Ryker Gates
 Masson Hammers
 Keira Mynatt
 Ava Neal
 Morgan Short
 Blake Warden
 William Woods



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January Saturday Program MAC Admission Presentation, Robotics, & MAC Homecoming



A Federally Funded Program

The Mineral Area College TRIO Upward Bound 1 program is funded with a five-year, \$359,828 per year grant from the U.S. Department of Education. This represents 100% of the program cost. Mineral Area College provides 25% of indirect costs to support the program.

The Mineral Area College Upward Bound 2 program is a TRIO program funded with a five-year, \$324,979 per year grant from the U.S. Department of Education. This represents 100% of the program cost. Mineral Area College provides a portion of indirect costs to support the program.

Upward Bound is one of five programs established by Congress to help low-income, first-generation students enter college and graduate. These programs are referred to as the TRIO programs.

For more information on Upward Bound 1 or 2 or for information on how to apply, contact the Upward Bound office located at Mineral Area College, at (573) 518-2156. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday

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Mission

The mission of Upward Bound at Mineral Area College is to serve eligible high school students by providing academic enrichment, cultural experiences, and a support network to ensure their success in attaining a four year college degree.

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