Get ready! Fall is an extremely busy time if you are a senior. You have many items on your checklist which need to be addressed if you want to improve your chances of getting into your preferred college and being awarded scholarships.

Apply for the FAFSA as soon as possible. It is your gateway to financial aid such as the Pell Grant and subsidized loans. When you receive a subsidized loan the government will pay the interest for you while you are in college. If you didn't complete the FAFSA at your school and need help reach out to your UB advisor. Remember that you and your parents will need to create a FSA ID and you will need their most recent tax information, 2021 tax returns, to complete the FAFSA for the 2023-2024 academic year. Also, if you decide to apply for STEP, your parents must provide their 2020 tax returns to complete the 2022-2023 FAFSA.

It is also critical to know the college priority application. Many colleges have deadlines in November. The most accurate information about when and how to apply to college is on the college’s website. There, you should find application instructions and scholarship information. If you have any questions, please ask your advisor.

**Student News**

Elisabeth Barrington became an Eagle Scout. She is the first female Eagle Scout in her district.

Hannah Henson and Allison Yates got accepted to MAC.

Keeley Walker and Allison Edgy placed 3rd in their division for color guard at SEMBA.

Ashley Daly made Student Council.

Kirsten Jarrett made All-District Choir and top 20 in her section to try out for All-State Choir.

Shane Aldridge got his cast removed.

North County Marching Band won Best in Colorguard (Kaylee Cavins, Shelby Minchew), Best music and visuals, and placed third in finals at the Central Marching Band Invitational (Alexis Seabaugh).

Central Band took 2nd place with the music caption award (Elisabeth Barrington, Kaylee Green, Katarina Oliver) in the Ste. Genevieve Marching Invitational.
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.

The Mineral Area College Upward Bound I program is a TRIO program funded with a five-year, $1,799,140 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 II program is a TRIO program funded with a five-year, $1,562,400 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 I or II or for information on how to apply, contact the Upward Bound office located at Mineral Area College, (573) 518-2156. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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