



UPWARD BOUND WORKS

Want to go to college?

Don't know how to get there?

Upward Bound can help you.

Upward Bound is a federally funded TRIO program that helps students get into college and be prepared to succeed once they arrive. It is free to join and students **GET PAID** to participate.

Upward Bound students receive the following services:

- ACT prep
- Help with homework
- College and career advising
- Help finding financial aid and scholarships
- Educational and tourism trips all over the country
- Visits to college campuses
- Free school supplies
- Access to free laptops and graphing calculators

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DAKOTA COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE

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What is Upward Bound?

[DCTC Upward Bound](#) is part of the family of [Federal TRIO programs](#) funded by the U.S. Department of Education. TRIO programs ensure equal educational opportunities for all students by providing skills and information needed to overcome class, social and cultural barriers to higher education.

Upward Bound helps students succeed academically by giving them the tools they need to first graduate from high school before enrolling in and graduating from college. Upward Bound participants have "college potential," but are often unaware of the academic and career options beyond high school.

Who is eligible?

- Students entering that are in or entering 9th or 10th grade
- Low income and/or potential first-generation college student
- Grade Point Average of 2.5 or better
- Potential for academic success in postsecondary education
- Consistent class attendance
- Committed to graduating from high school
- Committed to pursuing a postsecondary program
- Committed to the Upward Bound program requirements
- Citizen or permanent resident of the United States

Upward Bound students receive the following services:

- ACT prep
- Help with homework/tutoring
- College and career advising
- Help completing college applications
- College visits
- Help finding financial aid and scholarships
- Fee waivers for standardized test and college applications
- Free education and tourism trip all over the country
- Free school supplies
- Student can earn a stipend of up to \$450 per year

During the School Year:

- All students meet 2x/week (after school) for ACT + college prep
- Monthly 1:1 advising meetings
- Monthly Saturday workshops
- College visits for seniors
- Occasional evening family workshops

During the Summer:

- 5-Week program on the DCTC campus
- We provide transportation to and from BHS as well as lunch and breakfast each day
- 1-week trip

***Check our website for application (typically opens end of September) or contact an Upward Bound advisor for more info!**

How to join:

Advisors begin recruiting in the fall and the application becomes available late September/early October. Students must complete and submit the application. If they meet our eligibility requirements they will be invited to start attending after-school sessions (online/Zoom sessions for first semester during distance learning).

New students must set up a parent/student informational interview with DCTC TRIO staff along with completing the online application (an advisor will contact you after initial review of your application to set up a meeting).

[Check our website](#) for application updates or email one of the advisors below to get put on a contact list for when the application does become available. Thanks!

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