Upward Bound

Program Description

Upward Bound is a federally funded college preparatory program for potential first-generation college and low-income Boston public high school students. The program serves 86 students who are recruited from either target high schools or target neighborhoods.

- The target high schools served are Brighton High School, Community Academy of Science and Health, The English High School, Margarita Muñiz Academy, and Snowden International High School at Copley
- The target neighborhoods are Dorchester, East Boston, Mattapan, and Roxbury.

Program Services

Services are based on the Boston University campus, which provides students with access to the University's resources. Students participate in academic and social enrichment activities to prepare for college entry and success, including mentoring and field trips.

Students participate in both school year and summer components upon entry into the program until high school graduation:

- School year: after-school tutoring and college prep classes
- Summer: academically intensive six-week residential program

The program is cost free to families and students receive a small stipend for their participation.

Eligibility & Application

In order to be eligible to participate in the Upward Bound program, students must meet the following criteria:

- Meet TRIO low-income guidelines and/or be first generation college (meaning neither parent has a U.S. bachelor's degree)
- Currently enrolled in public high school
- Attend one of the target high schools or attend a public school and live in one of the target neighborhoods

Interested students can obtain an application from their guidance counselor or by contacting Reggie Jean at 617-353-5195 or reggie@bu.edu

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