Upward Bound Program
New Student Application *2022*

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Thank you for your interest in the Waubonsee Community College Upward Bound Program, a college completion program serving students at East Aurora High School and West Aurora High School, Aurora, IL.

We provide the support and motivation necessary to graduate high school and earn a college degree. Students participate until they graduate from high school and receive all services at no cost. Students are not required to attend Waubonsee Community College.

Year-round services offered include:

- Tutoring in mathematics, science, English, social sciences, and foreign language;
- Academic, personal development, and college readiness workshops;
- Opportunities to earn college credit;
- Career exploration activities and internship opportunities;
- Academic advising and individual assistance with the college admissions and financial aid process;
- College visits, cultural enrichment activities, and special events;
- An optional six-week academic summer program on the Waubonsee Sugar Grove campus.

Admission decisions are based on a careful review of the New Student Application, academic records, recommendation letters, and family interview.

To be eligible, a student must be a citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States and enrolled (or planning to enroll) at East Aurora High School or West Aurora High School, Aurora IL.

Please feel free to contact me or another staff member if you have questions or need assistance.

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TRIO / Upward Bound Manager
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Application Process

STEP 1 - Complete and submit the New Student Application and attach the following documents:

- ☐ Unofficial transcript or most recent grade report;
- ☐ Copy of student's Birth Certificate, U.S. Passport, Permanent Residency Card, or Form I-797, Notice of Action;
- ☐ Copy of student's Social Security Card; and
- ☐ **Signed and dated** copy of parent / guardian's U.S. Individual Income Tax Return for the previous calendar year (Form 1040, 1040-SR).

STEP 2 - Once your application is processed, we will contact you to schedule a family interview. Flexible scheduling and bilingual staff are available.

STEP 3 - New students must successfully complete a 10–60-day observation period before being admitted into the program. ***Students are expected to participate until they graduate high school, and maintain academic and participation standards.***

Applications not completed within thirty days will be destroyed.

Applications may be submitted in person, or mailed to:

Waubonsee Community College
Upward Bound Program
East Aurora High School – Room 201
West Aurora High School – Nexus

Waubonsee Community College
TRIO Upward Bound Manager
Route 47 at Waubonsee Drive
Sugar Grove, IL 60554

(630) 299-8155 – UB EAHS Office
(630) 301-6560 – UB WAHS Office
upwardbound@waubonsee.edu
waubonsee.edu/upwardbound
facebook.com/wccub

Upward Bound is funded by the U.S. Department of Education and is a department within Student Development at Waubonsee Community College.

Waubonsee does not discriminate on the basis of any individual's actual or perceived characteristic protected by law in its programs or activities. Inquiries regarding this policy may be directed to: Michele Needham, Title IX/ADA/Section 504 Coordinator, Route 47 at Waubonsee Drive, Sugar Grove, IL 60554, compliance@waubonsee.edu.

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Section 1 – Student Information

Student Name: _____ Today's Date: ____ ____ _____
Last *First* *Middle* *Month* *Day* *Year*

EA / WA No.: ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ Social Security No.: ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Date of Birth: ____ ____ _____ Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female Pronouns: ☐ He / Him ☐ She / Her ☐ They / Them
Month *Day* *Year*

Home Address: _____
Street Address *Apartment / Unit No.* *City* *State* *Zip*

Telephone: Telephone:
Student *Parent / Guardian*

E-mail Address: _____

School Currently Attending: Select School Current Grade Level: ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12

School Counselor: _____

Do you have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or a Section 504 Plan? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please attach a complete copy including the most recent review.

This information is requested to comply with federal and state laws. Your response will not affect consideration of your application.

Ethnic Background:
Are you Hispanic or Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Check one or more of the following race/ethnicity groups with which you identify:

☐ American Indian/ Alaska Native
☐ Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander
☐ Black/ African American
☐ Asian
☐ White
☐ _____
other not listed

Is English your native language? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, please list your native language: _____

Are you a U.S. citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, are you a Permanent Resident of the U.S., or have you applied for Permanent Residency? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please attach a copy of form(s).

Are you interested in participating in the optional six-week academic summer program on the Waubonsee Sugar Grove campus?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Sure

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Section 2 – Student Essay

The student essay is an important part of the selection process because it gives us more insight into who you are. Take time to think about the questions. Create an outline, write a good first draft, and ask your teacher or a friend to take a second look.

In the space below or on a separate typed sheet, please answer the following questions in essay format.

1) Why are you applying to the Waubonsee Upward Bound Program?
2) What are your academic strengths and challenges?
3) What are your career interests?
4) Why should we accept you?

Section 3 – Student Needs Survey

Please select the areas you would like assistance with.

☐ Tutoring ☐ Finding your College FIT ☐ Financial Aid & Scholarships ☐ Choosing Courses ☐ Goal Planning
☐ Career Exploration ☐ Time Management ☐ Study Skills & Note Taking ☐ Public Speaking ☐ Test Preparation
☐ Improving your Grades ☐ _____

Other not listed

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Section 4 – Parent / Guardian Information

Parent / Guardian A

_____
Last *First* *Middle* *Cell Phone*

_____ _____
E-mail Address *Employer* *Occupation*

Have you received a Bachelor's degree? ☐ Yes ☐ No. Primary language spoken: _____

Parent / Guardian B

_____
Last *First* *Middle* *Cell Phone*

_____ _____
E-mail Address *Employer* *Occupation*

Have you received a Bachelor's degree? ☐ Yes ☐ No Primary language spoken: _____

Who does the student live with? ☐ Parent A only ☐ Parent B only ☐ Parent A and Parent B ☐ Other _____

Is the student a youth in the care of DCFS? ☐ Yes ☐ No Does the student reside in foster care? ☐ Yes ☐ No

In the previous 12 months has the student or family experienced homelessness? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Number of family members in your household **(including the applicant)**? _____

What was your family's **taxable income** for the preceding year? $ _____
Form 1040 (U.S. Individual Income Tax Return), line 15

In the previous 12 months at any time did you receive SNAP, TANF, Housing Voucher, etc.? ☐ Yes _____ ☐ No
If yes, which?

If you were not required to file a federal income tax return for the previous calendar year, please submit verification of your nontaxable income. You will also be required to complete an Upward Bound Program Income Verification Form.

Section 5 – Household / Financial Information

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information furnished is true and complete. I understand that if it is found to be otherwise, it is sufficient cause for dismissal.

_____ _____
Parent / Guardian A Signature *Date* *Father/ Guardian B Signature* *Date*

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Student Signature *Date*

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Authorization to Release Information

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Last *First* *Middle* *Month* *Day* *Year*

Student Number: ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ WCC X Number: ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____
If unknown leave blank

I hereby consent release of my secondary and post-secondary academic and student records to the Upward Bound Program.

The Upward Bound Program requires my academic information to determine eligibility for admission; for advisement purposes while I am a high school student; annual reporting standards, and to track my progress towards completion of a post-secondary degree.

Access to my academic records is required by the Upward Bound Program's funding agency (U.S. Department of Education).

Information requested by the Upward Bound Program will include grade and progress reports, attendance and behavioral records, transcripts, standardized test and assessment scores, special education records, enrollment records, financial aid awards, and related material not otherwise listed.

I fully understand that the Waubonsee Upward Bound Program will request information for only the purposes mentioned above, and that they will observe my confidentiality through the proper maintenance of records in secured files.

For more information, contact the TRIO Upward Bound Manager at (630) 466-6800, upwardbound@waubonsee.edu, or visit waubonsee.edu/upwardbound

_____
Student Name ***Signature*** ***Date***

_____
Parent/ Guardian Name ***Signature*** ***Date***

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