



# Upward Bound Headlines

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*"Intelligence plus  
character - that is the  
goal of true education."*

*-Dr. Martin Luther  
King, Jr.*

## Annual Upward Bound Career Fair

On Tuesday, March 25, Upward Bound students dressed for success and attended the annual Career Fair in EMU's Halle Library. Sixteen professionals from various disciplines, including a biologist, pediatrician, cardiac telemetry RN, chef, engineer, artist, and software developer, hosted small discussions with students to give them a glimpse of what it's like to work in that field day-to-day. They also answered questions about their own college experiences and

shared stories of how they achieved success in college and beyond.

Students moved in rotations and were able to ask questions about their fields of interest, something they have been preparing for during Upward Bound monthly Group Meetings. "There's just so many things I want to do and so many people I got to talk to today. I'm excited and confused all at once!" declared Kelley Greene, a senior at YNT.



## Scholarship Essay Writing Day



Students had the opportunity to take a tour of the science labs & tv studio at Madonna University.

On Saturday, March 29, five Upward Bound students joined 95 other students from across Mich-

igan to participate in Scholarship Essay Writing Day, an annual college readiness program designed to help students think about and write scholarship essays. The event is held at Madonna University in Livonia.

The lead presenter, Dr. Connie Tingson-Gatuz, is a reader for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the largest scholarship program in the world. She guides students through the steps to

effectively sharing their stories and competing for scholarship dollars. "I had no idea we would spend half the time just thinking, but it really made a difference when I started writing," said Clarence Broach, YCHS junior. All the students agreed they learned something and thought other UB students would benefit from the program in the future.

# Shining Stars

The week of April 12, **Destiny Caddell-Prince** had the opportunity to attend the Skills USA State Conference in Grand Rapids and compete against 15 other students in the Job Skills Demonstration category! "I showed the judges how to make fried plantains. Fried plantains are a side dish for the Caribbean, but most people mistake it for a banana." In addition to showcasing her culinary skills, she had the chance to explore Grand Rapids and meet new people, and said she'd recommend this experience for others with an interest in culinary arts.



**THANK YOU**  
parents,  
grandparents,  
siblings, aunts,  
uncles, teachers,  
cousins, &  
friends for  
helping your  
senior reach his  
or her goals this  
year!

## Senior Shout-Outs!

All year our seniors have been meeting in EMU's library on Saturday mornings to complete college applications, apply for scholarships, and work on their senior portfolios. We are so proud of all they have accomplished this year! They have been accepted at schools across the country, been offered scholarships in excess of \$520,000.00, and been invited to join honors colleges and collegiate athletic teams. When you see them take a moment to congratulate them on hard work paying off!

**Sierra Campbell:** Kent State University, \$31,000 scholarship, Psychology

**Tyrone Coleman:** Indiana Tech, \$60,000 scholarship, track team, Engineering

**Trenton Davis:** University of Michigan, Computer Science

**Endia Francois:** Middle Tennessee State University, track scholarship, Nursing

**Tyler Freitas:** Undecided, Physics or Engineering

**Kelley Greene:** Eastern Michigan University, \$4,000 scholarship, Criminal Justice or Communications

**Brittany Griggs:** Schoolcraft College, Undecided

**Jalen Harmon:** Undecided, Sports Medicine

**Debriana Jackson:** University of Toledo, \$62,000 scholarship, Honors College, Pre-Medicine

**Liasia Jordan:** Eastern Michigan University, Accounting

**Sade Kennedy:** Undecided, Athletic Training

**Lillie LaMarr:** Eastern Michigan University, \$10,000 scholarship, Psychology

**Jerrell Meads:** University of Michigan, Mechanical Engineering

**Jimmie Murry:** University of Toledo, Sports Medicine

**Shauntara Thomas:** Bowling Green State University, \$14,000 scholarship, Marine Biology

**Antonio Webster:** Eastern Michigan University, \$6,000 scholarship, Psychology

**CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2014!**

# Round of Applause

***A huge thank you to the dedicated teachers at Ypsilanti Community High School and Ypsilanti New Tech who have taken time out of their schedules to provide feedback on the progress of our students. We also would like to recognize Ypsilanti Community Middle School staff who have supported Upward Bound this year, as well as the counselors, principals, and other educators who make our work in the schools possible.***

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Gail Wolkhoff, Dedicated to Make a Change

***Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5th—9th***

## Summer Academy

Summer Academy is right around the corner! Orientation will be held in Boone Hall at EMU on Friday, May 16 at 6:00p.m. and is mandatory for participants and their parent/guardian. Students will move-in on June 22 and the formal program will conclude July 24; those who have earned the opportunity to attend the out-of-state college tour will depart from EMU on July 28 and return July 30. Detailed information will be provided during orientation. We are looking forward to an awesome summer!





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Upward Bound is a federally-funded, pre-college program designed to provide high school students with academic enrichment as well as the information and motivation necessary to obtain a college degree. There are over 900 Upward Bound programs in the United States; Eastern Michigan University's Upward Bound Program has consistently and successfully served Ypsilanti students since 1967.

### Important Dates

- ☑ **Last Day of College Club: May 8**
- ☑ **Summer Academy Orientation: May 16 & 17**
- ☑ **Summer Academy Move-In: June 22**

**It's not where you start, but where you finish. See you at the top!**

