Steps To Join

- Must be freshmen or sophomore who attends one of the following high schools:
  - Armwood
  - Blake
  - Chamberlain
  - Jefferson
  - King
  - Leto
  - Middleton
  - Tampa Bay Tech

- Demonstrate an academic need and the motivation to pursue college.
- Qualify under federal income guidelines or live in a household in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree.
- Complete the application with transcript, recommendation, and income statement.
- See your college and career counselor for details.

“Getting the college experience and staying on campus are the greatest benefits.”

Meet Your Dream Team

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Overview
The goal of the University of South Florida Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete high school and enroll in and graduate from college. The program strives to improve academic performance in GPA, FSA/ACT/SAT proficiency, rigorous curriculum, high school graduation, college enrollment, and college completion.

Upward Bound serves high school students from first-generation or low-income families. The program provides intensive preparation for college through academic year tutoring and rigorous summer instruction with a campus residential experience. **USF Upward Bound has served Tampa Bay for more than 50 years!**

*Summer Residential Component*

Students are exposed to six weeks of educational, cultural, and social experiences.
- Instruction in math, laboratory science, literature, composition, and Spanish
- Small class sizes where students are placed based on their individual needs
- Counseling, mentoring, cultural enrichment, and work study activities
- Three week residential component where juniors and seniors stay on campus and participate in supervised activities
- Career Collaborations with USF Medicine, Engineering, Business, Arts, Behavioral & Community Sciences, and Other Colleges

*Summer Services*
- Rigorous instruction
- Individualized and group academic counseling
- Career and college exploration
- SAT/ACT preparation
- Internships, hands-on labs, and mentoring
- Tours of colleges and universities
- Test/college application fee waivers
- Financial Aid/FAFSA Assistance
- Educational and cultural events
- Pageant and Summer Olympics

*Academic Year Component*

Upward Bound students come to the USF campus on select Saturdays and weeknights to receive tutoring in math, science, literature, composition, Spanish, social studies, and study skills. Additionally, students attend seminars that offer guidelines for enrolling and succeeding in college. Upward Bound counselors also visit students at their schools to provide academic advising.

*Academic Year Services*
- Individualized academic counseling
- Career and college exploration
- Rigorous tutoring and instruction
- College entrance exams preparation
- Peer, College, and Professional Mentoring
- Community Service & Student Government
- Tours of colleges and universities
- Test and college application fee waivers
- Assistance with college applications
- Assistance with financial aid/scholarships
- Educational and cultural events
- Parent Association

*UPWARD BOUND WITH PRIDE!*