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# UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM

# APPLICATION



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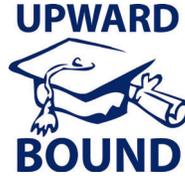
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- Print clearly in ink.
- Be sure to answer all questions.



## PART I | STUDENT APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

High School/Middle School Currently Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ School ID # \_\_\_\_\_ MCC ID# \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address, Street and Apt. No. \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Gender  Male  Female

Citizenship:

United States Citizen  Permanent Resident Alien - Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnic Background: (Check as many as apply)

- African American or Black  American Indian  Asian/Pacific Islander
- Hispanic/Latino  White  More than one race
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Who do you live with?

Mother & Father  Father  Mother  Guardian  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Guardian, if you do not live with one of your parents:

\_\_\_\_\_

What language is spoken at home?

English  Spanish  Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to work this summer or school year?

Yes  No

If Yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_ How many hours a week? \_\_\_\_\_

What extracurricular activities are you involved in? (Example: Band, sports, clubs, etc.)



What is your current GPA? \_\_\_\_\_  Not Sure/Don't Know

What grades do you usually receive? (Check as many as apply)  A(s)  B(s)  C(s)  D(s)

What colleges are you interested in attending or obtaining information from?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

What are your career interests?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

What type of degree do you plan to obtain? (Check as many as apply)

- High School Diploma       Vocational or Technical School Certificate       Associate's Degree (Two years)  
 Bachelor's Degree (Four years)       Master's Degree       Doctoral Degree

Please check below the Math classes you have already taken:

- Pre-Algebra     Algebra I     Algebra II     Geometry  
 Pre-Calculus     Calculus     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check below the Science classes you have already taken:

- Integrated Physics & Chemistry (IPC)     Biology     Chemistry  
 Physics     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check below the Foreign Language classes you have already taken:

- Spanish     French     Latin     Italian  
 German     Chinese     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

What areas do you need help from our Upward Bound Program? (Check as many as apply)

- Managing time       Help with homework       Study effectively  
 Improving grades     Preparing for tests       Choosing a career/major

**PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT REPORT CARD TO THIS APPLICATION.**

**RELEASE OF SCHOOL RECORDS – STUDENT**

*I authorize the Upward Bound Program of McLennan Community College to access and/or receive copies of my student academic transcripts, grade reports, report cards, TAKS/STAAR/EOC scores, and any other academic information and test results necessary to complete the program's application and reporting process.*

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

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The personal essay is an important part of the selection process. In a 250 or more word essay, discuss **ONE** of the following topics:

- 1) Events and persons in your background that have influenced you in your educational and professional aspirations; **OR**
- 2) In regard to your purpose for applying to the Upward Bound Program, what you believe you will attain from the experience, and the contributions you can make to the program; **OR**
- 3) Your most impressive accomplishment, and how it has impacted you. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please give one Recommendation Form to a core subject teacher and one to your counselor at your school. Remind your teacher/counselor to email or fax the form to our office as soon as possible. They can also return the completed Recommendation Form to you in a sealed envelope to submit with this completed application.

## PART II | RECOMMENDATION FORM



(To be completed by a Teacher or Counselor)

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#### Dear Teacher/Counselor:

The student listed below is applying for admission into the Upward Bound Program (UB) of McLennan Community College. Your assessment of the student's conduct, character, and academic need for program services is an integral element in the admission process. Please give us your honest assessment of this student's desire and ability to learn. Please e-mail the completed Recommendation Form to the above address or fax to 254-299-6245. You may also return the completed Recommendation Form to the student in a sealed envelope to submit with his/her completed student application. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the UB Program Office at 254-299-8756. The time and effort you have taken to complete this form is sincerely appreciated.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Class/Course Subject \_\_\_\_\_ Current Class Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Place an "X" in the appropriate column for each characteristic listed below:

STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS	EXCELLENT	AVERAGE	FAIR	POOR
Student Characteristics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Conduct in Class	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Willingly Participates in Class	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Respects Others and Their Property	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ability to Follow Instructions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Completes Assigned Work on Time	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Study Skills/Habits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Analytical Thinking Skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Maturity/Integrity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Punctuality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Eager to Learn New Things	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Demonstrates Motivation to Complete a 6-Week Summer Program	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please provide comments on motivation, behavior, personality, strengths, or weaknesses that you feel are pertinent to the student's performance in the Upward Bound Program. Additional comments may be written on the back.

Teacher/Counselor Printed Name & Title \_\_\_\_\_ School Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Counselor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Teacher/Counselor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## PART III | UPWARD BOUND PARENT APPLICATION



(To be completed by Parent/Guardian)

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Has Mother received a 4-year degree from a college or university?  Yes  No

Has Father received a 4-year degree from a college or university?  Yes  No

### Household Income Information

Number of People Living in Your Household: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you receive public assistance (welfare, social security, food stamps, etc.)?  Yes  No

Does your child participate in the Free or Reduced Lunch Program as his/her school?  Yes  No

What was your **taxable** family income (line 15 from IRS 1040) for the most recent tax year? \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the information provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.**

### ANNUAL ACADEMIC RECORDS AUTHORIZATION

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Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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School \_\_\_\_\_

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(To be completed by Parent/Guardian)

**Dear Parent/Guardian:**

Your child has indicated an interest and/or has been nominated to apply for selection to the Upward Bound (UB) Program at McLennan Community College. Upward Bound (UB) is a free college preparatory program for high school students funded by the U.S. Department of Education and sponsored locally by McLennan Community College. UB is specifically designed to strengthen the math, science, English, and foreign language skills of eligible high school students to excel academically and pursue postsecondary degree.

Year-round services provided by the UB Program of McLennan Community College include:

- Instruction/Tutoring in math, science, English, and foreign language, including hands-on experience in computer facilities and field sites;
- A 6-week summer instructional component that is designed to simulate a college-going experience that includes daily coursework in math, science, English, and foreign language as well as other related activities such as field trips and special events;
- Activities that involve participants with opportunities to learn from professionals who are engaged in actions and careers within public and private agencies;
- Academic advising from UB staff and individual assistance with the college admissions and financial aid application processes.

Monday and Wednesday tutoring and Saturday Enrichment days during the school year (Academic Component) will take place at McLennan Community College as well as the six-week instructional session (Summer Component) that takes place during the summer. Please note that selected students and their parents must commit to remain active in the UB Program year-round (12 months) for a minimum of 3-4 years or until high school graduation.

In order to comply with federal regulations, all UB participants must meet the following criteria:

- Indicate an interest in attending college;
- Demonstrate academic need (low grades and/or low test scores);
- Qualify as low income and/or potential first generation college student (neither parent has received a 4-year college degree);
- Commit to remain active in UB until high school graduation

Please complete this application and return with your child's Student Application to the address, e-mail, or fax number listed above. You may also return your completed application to your child's school counselor. All completed applications will be reviewed and eligible applicants contacted within 14 days for a student & parent interview with program staff.

Thank you for your interest in the Upward Bound Program of McLennan Community College. Please call a UB staff member at 254-299-8756 if you have any questions or need additional assistance.

Sincerely,

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