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Meet Our New Counselors



Becca Phillips

Becca has a Bachelor of
Science in marketing and
a Master of Education in
instructional leadership
and student affairs. Becca
is a mother to one
human boy, a cat, and a
dog. She is very creative
and loves to participate
in artsy projects,
including helping with our
social media. Check it out!



Kimmy Locy

Kimmy has a bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology and two master's degrees in social work and in instructional design and technology. She also has a minor in religious studies. Kimmy is a parent, which includes being a cat mom. She loves exploring and enjoying life outdoors.



Student Tips

<u>Jada's Time-Management Tricks</u>

- Write all assignment due dates and exam dates on a calendar.
- -To limit procrastination, break up your assignments throughout the week; make a weekly homework schedule to meet deadlines. This saves you from having to write an entire paper in one day because it's due at 11:59 PM that night. Prioritize.
- Study at a time you are most motivated. For example, I like to take evening naps, but I know that if I take a nap first, I will never do my homework. The key is knowing yourself in order to set proper goals of time management for yourself.
 - Remove non-essential activities. I used to be on my phone 3+ hours every day when I could have been doing more beneficial things for my health and education.

Setting S.M.A.R.T. Goals

5- Specific: State exactly what you want to achieve. Then, break a large task down into smaller ones. Set real times and deadlines.

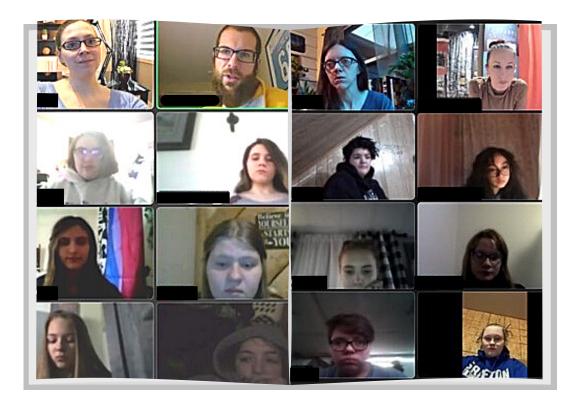
M- Measurable: Make sure you are able to accurately assess how well you are doing at the small tasks to achieve your goal.

A- Attainable/Action-Oriented: Work towards a goal that is challenging, but possible. What skills, objects, or actions do you need to accomplish this goal?

R- Realistic: Know your abilities (your skill level) and your capabilities (your capacity to balance a number of tasks at the time). Start small. Someone else's goal may not be capable for you to achieve at your current state.

T- Time-Bound: Decide how much time you need to accomplish the goal.





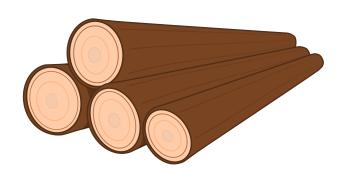
For our first two Saturday programs of the semester, students partnered with the Cass Scenic Railroad and the Watt's Museum on a historical service project. Students dove into online historical records, testimonials, and credible sources to research and collect facts about life in Cass, WV during the logging era in the early 1900s.



VVhat can you do to create the culture you want?

- Become a Foster Parent
- Volunteer to Clean Up Litter
- Be Educated about Issues
- Shine a Spotlight on VV's Good Qualities in Media
- Encourage Progressiveness and Inclusivity in My School

Cass Scenic Railroad



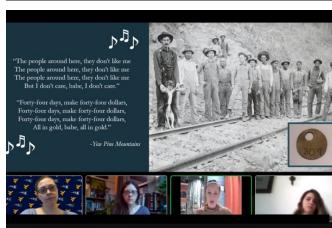
The information collected by students will be used to help the Cass Scenic Railroad create a new, historically accurate, household exhibit featured at the state park

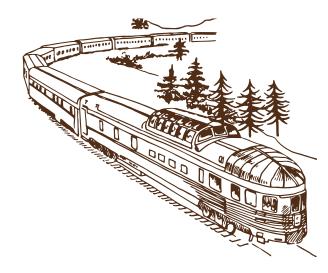








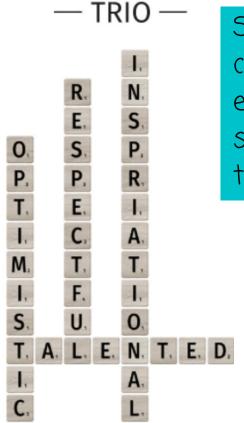




National TRIO Bay

In honor of National TRIO Day on February 27, students learned about the history of TRIO and why it was created. We learned the difference between equity and equality, discussed case studies to find solutions for inequitable situations students may encounter, and celebrated TRIO.



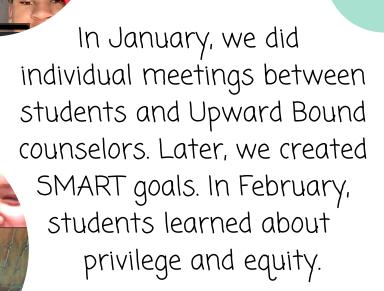


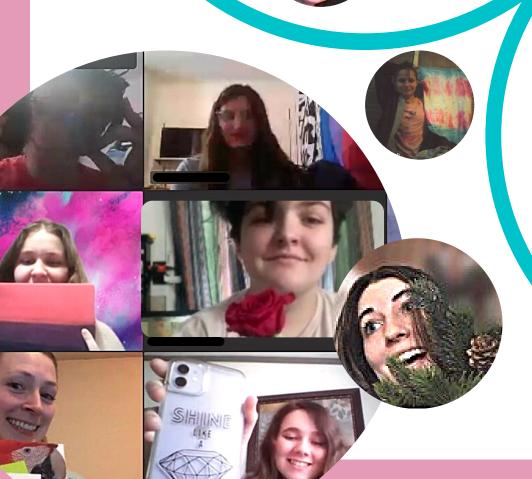
Students worked in groups to create logos and performances that express who they are, and they showcased their unique talents through theater, poetry, and art!













In March,
juniors and
seniors focused on
college prep while
freshmen and
sophomores
assessed career
interests and
researched
different
jobs.



Socials



Students spoke and we listened! Socializing with their friends in Upward Bound is important to students and their success, especially during the isolation created by the pandemic.

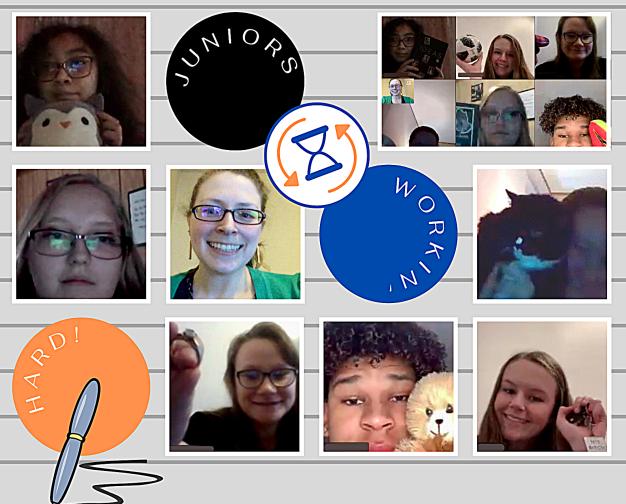


This semester, Upward Bound hosted various socials, including a game night, murder mystery, and a Jack-in-the-Box night.

College Prep

Juniors and seniors have been very busy this semester with college prep!





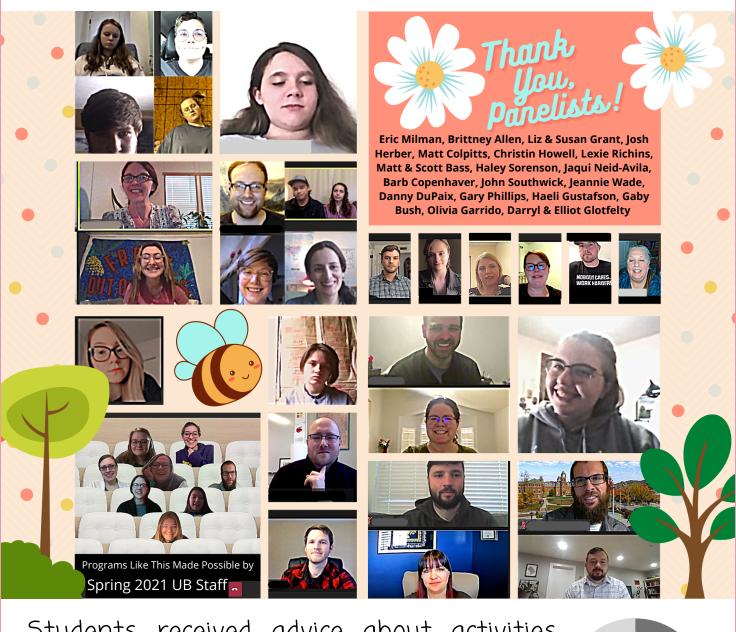


Thanks for your hard work!

Many students met individually with Upward Bound counselors to finish college applications, fill out FAFSA applications, write, and rewrite scholarship essays.

Career Panels

On March 18, students had the opportunity to talk with panelists on Upward Bound's Virtual Career Day. The fields represented included business, communications, education, health sciences, AG, STEM, and more.



Students received advice about activities they could get involved in now, skills they could work on developing, and navigating college. See highlights on the next page!



"Get involved. Do things that scare you! Fear is just adrenaline, like excitement." -Christin Howell

"Learn about motivational interviewing. You need to be good at talking to people." -Jaqui Neid-Avila

"Your interests
develop over time.
Don't worry so
much about who
you are now. Figure
out who you want
to become."
-Gary Phillips

"Live on-campus
at least during your
first year or two, even if you
go to a college close to home.
You learn so much from the
conversations you have with
your roommates or friends
down the hallway."
-Matt Colpitts

"See everything as an opportunity. Be a lifelong learner." -Lexie Richins

"If I fail at one thing, it's okay. Try again. Keep going." -Haley Sorensen

"You're going to fail sometimes, and that's okay." -Liz Grant

"Don't get too down on yourself when things don't go exactly the way you planned." -Matt Bass

"You'll probably qualify for work study in college, so get a part-time job on campus. And whatever happens, don't quit! Take a day or a week off, and then keep going. You have to finish your degree."

-Matt Colpitts

"There is a

lot of licensure to

keep up on and things

like the national registry
you need to do as a dietician
and with other healthcare
careers. I wish I would have
known to prepare for the
extra training and
financial costs."

-Jaqui Neid-Avila

Advice for Health Sciences

"There are plenty
of ways to get involved
now. Apply online to volunteer
with an organization or at a
hospital. Or try medical scribing.
It's easy to learn, and you can
work for a physician
who can recommend you for

med school." -Haley

Sorensen

"You probably won't know exactly what you want to do when you first enter the field. Find a mentor who can answer questions. You can save yourself a lot of time and money if you know what you want to do instead of figuring it out through your first job after college and going back to school."

-John Southwick