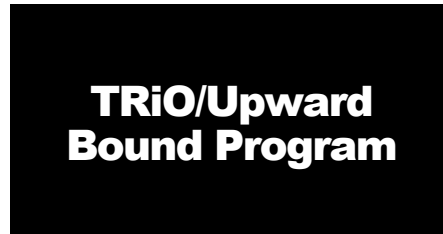




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227 Commons Living and Learning, Burlington, VT 05405



Phone: 802-656-2961 Fax: 802-656-0055

Date

Dear:

On behalf of the University of Vermont's Upward Bound Program, I would like to congratulate you on your acceptance into the program. The TRIO/Upward Bound college preparatory program offers you a unique opportunity to enhance your academic skills and to participate in cultural activities that can broaden your outlook on life. We plan to offer you experiences that challenge you, increase your motivation for learning, and build your self-confidence. Our goal is to help you enroll in the college of your choice with a financial aid package that works for you and your family.

We plan to meet with you on a weekly basis in your school. We also ask that you attend the monthly Saturday College on the first Saturday of each month in October, November, December, February, March, April, and May. In addition, you need to attend two 5-week Summer College sessions during the first two years that you participate in the program.

You are eligible to receive a stipend at the end of the first 3 months that you participate in the program; we make exceptions to this stipend policy based on circumstances. A stipend is calculated on your grades, your participation in Saturday College, and your participation in Summer College. During the first 3 months of the program, you are on probation. This probationary period allows us to make sure that Upward Bound meets your needs.

The forms listed below are enclosed for you to sign and return to us in order to complete your file. Once we receive the forms, we will know that you have agreed to participate in the program.

- Student Contract outlines Upward Bound activities.
- The Transportation Permission Form insures that your parents know that you are being transported to various events during our many activities.
- Talent Release Form allows us to use your picture or voice in the future with your permission.
- A sheet explaining the stipend award system is enclosed for your review.

The federal government encourages us to verify your family's income. **Please send in a signed copy of your family's 2007 income tax forms for your file.** Please let us know if this is a problem, so we can make alternative arrangements for verification of this information.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the enclosed forms and to send us your family's income tax return for 2007. We look forward to working with you and making college a reality for you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

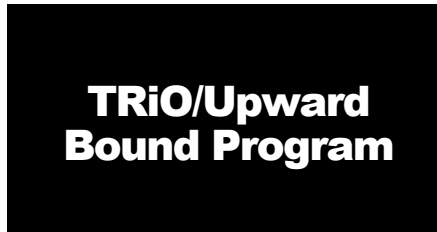
Sincerely,

Ted Ogaldez
Upward Bound Program Director



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Upward Bound Student Contract

2007-2008

Name: _____

I agree to:

1. Attend weekly meetings at my school as arranged by the Upward Bound staff.
2. Attend Saturday College seven times during the school year during the months of October, November, December, February, March, April, and May.
3. Attend two Summer College sessions usually during the first two years I participate in the program.
4. Maintain a satisfactory attendance record at school.
5. Work to improve academic performance in high school courses.
6. Agree to participate in a tutoring program if a grade in a class is lower than a C.
7. Maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average. 2.0 is the equivalent of a C. If my grades slip below 2.0, I agree to be placed on probation.
8. Maintain appropriate behavior both in school and in the Upward Bound Program.
9. I agree to take the PSATs in the fall of my junior year and the SAT exams in the spring of my junior year and the fall of my senior year.
10. During my senior year, I agree to apply to colleges for admission in fall of the next school year.
11. I agree to enroll in a post-secondary program after I graduate from high school.
12. I agree to let the Upward Bound Program know about any changes of address or phone numbers so I can be tracked through graduation from college.

By signing this contract, I understand I am making a commitment to participate in the Upward Bound Program. I understand the guidelines and agree to follow them. I understand that I am committing to attend college after I complete my high school education.

Signature

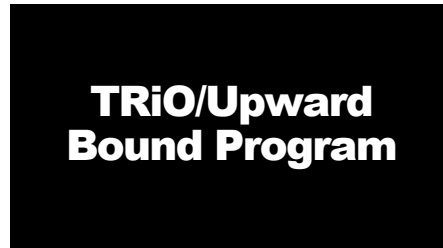
Date

Social Security Number



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Talent Release Form (Non-Commercial)

I, (print name) _____, on (date) _____ hereby irrevocably grant the TRIO/SSS program, at the University of Vermont, and those acting pursuant to its authority the right to record my likeness and/or voice on film, audio tape, and/or videotape, to edit such videotape at your discretion and to use or authorize the use of such recordings or any portion thereof in any manner or media at any time or times throughout the work in perpetuity and to use my name, likeness, voice, and any biographical information in connection therewith, including promotion in all media but not for the endorsement of any product or service.

I hereby release the TRIO/SSS program, at the University of Vermont, from any and all responsibilities, damages, or claims of personal liability during the above-mentioned productions.

I understand that the provisions of this release are legally binding.

Signature: _____

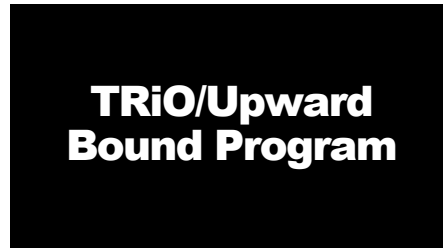
Address: _____





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University of Vermont Upward Bound Program Transportation Permission Form

I hereby give permission to the University of Vermont Upward Bound Program to arrange transportation for my son/daughter, _____, to and from Upward Bound-sponsored events in school vans or in other vehicles driven by competent adults.

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian