SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY UPWARD BOUND FORT BRAGG FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Who is eligible to enroll in Upward Bound Fort Bragg?

Students eligible for the Upward Bound Fort Bragg:

- Must meet citizenship status (i.e., U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident)
- Attend or plan to attend Fort Bragg High School
- Meet one (or more) of the following criteria:
 - Low-Income (as outlined by the federal government)
 - First-Generation (the student's parents have not graduated from a four-year college/university in the United States)
 - Foster or Homeless Youth

2. When are the Upward Bound Fort Bragg Applications due?

All completed applications must be postmarked by January 31, 2019.

Completed applications can be mailed, faxed, or delivered to:

Sonoma State University Upward Bound Programs 1801 E. Cotati Avenue, Bldg. 49 Rohnert Park, CA 94928-3609 Phone: (707) 664-3273 Fax: (707) 664-2886

3. What application documents are required?

- Application (including the seven short answer questions and the Personal Statement)
- Income Verification Form
- Current transcript with final December grades
- Counselor Recommendation Form
- Teacher Recommendation Form
 - Math, Science, English, or AVID teacher

You can download the complete application packet (an application, the Income Verification Form, and the Recommendation Forms) from our website at www.sonoma.edu/precollege.

4. What if my parent(s)/guardian(s) did not file 2017 taxes?

If your parent(s)/guardian(s) did not file **2017** taxes (1040 or 1040A Tax Form), they are still required to fill out the *Income Verification Form*. You can find this form in the application packet or on our website at <u>www.sonoma.edu/precollege</u>. This form must be completed and submitted with the application materials by the application deadline.

5. When will I be notified of my status?

Letters will be mailed regarding applicants admission status in April 2019.

6. How are students selected for admission to the program?

Students are chosen for the program based on their completed application, short answer responses, personal statement, teacher/counselor recommendation forms, and the student-parent interview. Point values are given to all items, which are then totaled. Students are then ranked by this total point value from greatest to least within their respective school and grade level.

7. How do I remain eligible?

To remain eligible students in the program must participate in program activities throughout his/her years of high school, by attending the Upward Bound class at Fort Bragg High School and by participating in the 6-week summer academic program. Students must also attend all relevant Upward Bound Fort Bragg workshops, field trips, events, and outreach meetings.

Students must enroll in the following "A-G" college preparatory high school classes throughout high school: English (4 years); Math (3+ years); Science with a Lab (2+ years); Foreign Language (2+ years); Social Science (2 years); Visual and Performing Arts (1 year); College Prep Elective (1 year). Upward Bound Fort Bragg students must maintain good grades in all classes.

8. What is involved in the level of commitment?

Upward Bound Fort Bragg participants remain in the program through their high school graduation and must attend all school-day and summer academic sessions.

9. Are there any costs to participate in Upward Bound Fort Bragg?

All services provided by Upward Bound Fort Bragg are <u>free</u>. Students may want to purchase personal items not covered by the programs on the various field trips; however, all <u>transportation</u>, <u>meals</u>, <u>supplies</u>, and <u>tickets</u> for all events are included at no cost for the Upward Bound participants.

10. Are meals provided?

All meals are provided at no cost for Upward Bound events.

11. What are the dates of the summer academic program?

The 2018 summer academic program will be held from **June 10** through **July 18, 2019**, Monday through Thursday. Summer workshops and field trips will be held on Fridays or Saturdays. Students and parents will be notified in advance of all field trips.

12. Who should I call if I have questions about Upward Bound Fort Bragg?

If you have any questions regarding your application or the application process, please call (707) 664-3273. To learn more about Upward Bound Fort Bragg, please visit our website at www.sonoma.edu/precollege.