



Upward Bound Piner



NEWSLETTER



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April Student Spotlight:

This month's student spotlight is Priscilla Rivas, one of our awesome sophomores. She took some time to talk with Ms. Penning about her experience in the program.



- Why did you apply to UPB?
"I applied to UPB because I heard from friends and teachers that it was a very good college preparation program that helps low-income first-generation students follow their dreams, which is something that I was and wanted to be a part of. My parents didn't know anything about applying to college so I knew that UPB would support me in furthering my education."
What do you like about UPB?
- "What I like about UPB is the support and community that we have. One example is the networking lunches that they put on so that we can have fun and talk to our fellow classmates. UPB supports us in many ways like mental support and helping us with our JC classes (buying our textbooks and paying our fees)."
What has UPB encouraged you to do?
- "I heard a lot about this program helping students achieve their dreams of becoming first generation college students which is something I related with. The program also encouraged me to become more open and seek resources to help me further my education."
How has UPB helped you?
- "UPB has helped me by leading me on what I want to do. The UPB class has given me lots of knowledge about becoming a college student. I learned what classes to take in college, organization skills, careers, and more. I feel more calm and relaxed with the college process because of how much UPB has helped me."

April Shout-out: This month's shout-out goes to senior Estefany Godoy, who has completed her FAFSA, college applications, and is deciding which campus to attend in the fall. We're so proud of you!

Curriculum Updates

- 9th Grade: Financial Literacy
- 10th Grade: Financial Literacy
- 11th Grade: Science Research Projects
- 12th Grade: Homework Support and Preparing for College



Important Dates

- ❖ Mid-April | UPB Admissions Decisions
- ❖ April 19 | UBMS Outreach in I91
- ❖ April 20 - April 26 | Ms. Perez on vacation
- ❖ April 21 | Quarter 4 IPR Due
- ❖ April 26 | UPB Networking Lunch
- ❖ April 28 | Progress Reports Due

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