

UPWARD BOUND BULLETIN

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A snapshot of what is happening in the CCCC TRiO Upward Bound Programs



Kemiah McDuffie



Layla Hall



Haywood Davis

THE BIG ENVELOPE

This moment is what they have been working towards. They participated in clubs, sports, and extracurricular activities. They worked hard to earn their grades. They wrote their essays and submitted their applications; the moment they have been eagerly awaiting has arrived. Please help us congratulate our seniors on their success! We are so very proud of them and know they are going to accomplish so much!

Abigail Braunstein



THE BIG ENVELOPE

That piece of mail that our seniors have been waiting for has finally arrived!

THANKSGIVING KITS

Last year was tough which made the holidays feel a little different – see how we helped to create some normalcy.

TEAM TALK

In this issue meet team member – Trevor Dobbins!

THANKSGIVING KITS

During a year of so many changes we all had to miss out on a lot – birthday parties, celebrations, visiting with friends and family... Thanksgiving is a time to be together. Our participants had the opportunity to sign up to pick up a Thanksgiving kit that consisted of everything their family would need for the special meal. An aluminum pan held vegetables, bread mix, dessert, dressing, cranberry sauce, a Food Lion gift card for a turkey and more!

“It was really good to see our students and their families right before the holiday season”
 -Amanda Alston
 Program Coordinator
 Counselor for Overhills and Harnett Central



FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

This time of the year is always exciting as a new year and a new semester brings hope and foreshadowing of great things to come. After enduring a pandemic-laden 2020, the Upward Bound programs are eager to continue to engage our students with more support and programming to enhance their academic development through virtual learning. This semester we anticipate the start of offering a new Robotics program for our Science & Math students and a new interactive Cyber Cafe that allows all students to cultivate relationships with their peers and the staff. So here is to starting off 2021 with a bang!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Part 2

Last issue we had some exciting news to share about participant, Gabriel Allen – Triton High School, he had been chosen as a QuestBridge Finalist! We are now very proud to share that Gabe is a QuestBridge Scholar and was matched with Colby College in Maine on a full-ride scholarship!

TEAM TALK – TREVOR DOBBINS

As a 2017 NC State graduate, (go PACK) Trevor serves as our College Advisor where he supports our participants in making that big transition from high school. When asked about his position he says, “One of the things I enjoy most about my role is that I am able to be a support to our students during their educational journeys. I am able to help and encourage them to take the next steps in their education by applying and enrolling in college. In doing so, I am fighting the battle to help make sure all of our students have an equitable opportunity to pursue their higher education aspirations.”

Outside of work Trevor enjoys friendly competition playing chess, soccer ping pong and any other sport or outdoor activity as well as spending time with his wife and fur baby!

