



UPWARD BOUND

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March 2026 Newsletter

Concord Upward Bound students toured West Virginia State University and met with admissions.



Important Dates:

2026 Dates (Tentative)

Saturday Sessions:

04/18/2026

Summer Program:

06/21/2026–07/31/2026

Summer Bridge Program:

06/28/2026 – 07/31/2026

End of Summer Trip:

07/29/2026 -07/31/2026



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Congratulations!

ALEXIS HURLEY - Young Writer Winner for Summers County

MAKIYA RIFFE - Valedictorian at Montcalm High School

BRYANA MCLEOD - Salutatorian at Montcalm High School



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Sign up for the Upward Bound Summer Program

About Upward Bound:
Upward Bound is a federally funded TRIO program created in 1964 to help first-generation and low-income students prepare for college. Our mission is to provide academic support, college exposure, and personal development opportunities. We empower students in high school.

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In order to apply:

- Scan the QR or follow the link <https://forms.gle/AnRVL1exFyC9PZZX8>
- Fill out our application
- Deadline to apply is April 15th 2026

Summer Residential Program:
Experience college life at Concord University through academic classes, leadership development, and fun campus activities - all at no cost to eligible current upward bound students.

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SUMMER RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM '26
CONCORD UNIVERSITY | ATHENS, WV

- The Upward Bound Summer Residential Program is a **FREE** academic and leadership experience for current Upward Bound students.
- Students will live on campus, take engaging classes, participate in leadership development, and enjoy recreational activities as they explore college life.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
JUNE 21ST TO JULY 31ST

