



A Note from the Director - Dave Kamrad



As the first marking period comes to an end, we look forward to continuing a productive partnership with our schools and working with students and our participants to achieve their highest potential. We recognize that to be successful in school, all students need support from home, school, and programs like ours. As partners, we share the responsibility for our students' success and we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. Important guidelines, to keep in mind, to ensure success for students:

- Attend classes daily and arrive on time
- Complete all homework assignments
- Read daily to improve literacy skills
- Set a daily study schedule
- Share school experiences/participate in school activities
- Identify and take advantage of additional support systems
- Set goals and expectations

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TRIO Pre-College Programs help each of our participants meet all these guidelines through interactive presentations, exclusive group and individual meetings, college campus visits, leadership conferences, etc. Please contact one of our staff at keweenatrio.org with any questions about how we can further assist in a student's educational needs.

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Summer Program Culminates with Trip to Seattle, WA

After a successful five-week span on campus, TRIO Upward Bound students are always excited to venture out on the Summer Program trip, but this year's trip brought an extra level of excitement. TRIO Upward Bound was setting out for Seattle, Washington via airplane. Of the 30 students, at least fifteen of them had never been on a plane before.

Students took a Duck Boat Tour to kick off their time in Seattle, which allowed them to see the city as a whole, both on land and water. Tour guides provided interesting facts and quirky ways to include everyone involved.

While in Seattle, students had the opportunity to tour Seattle University and visit the Boeing Factory, Space Needle, Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park, Seattle Underground, Seattle Public Market, Museum of Pop Culture, and Wings over Washington.

On the final day, students visited the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation where they learned how the Gates family is working to eradicate disease, decrease homelessness and increase education for women across the globe. Students then spent time creating infographics about the international lack of clean water, brainstorming ways to help their community and preparing care packages to give to the homeless in Seattle.



TRIO UB student, Autumn France, says, “My favorite part of the Seattle trip definitely had to be the Space Needle. I loved the amazing view, along with the fact that I was there with my friends. It’s a memory I’ll never forget.”

TRIO Talent Search Helps Families with Financial Aid

While the FAFSA has become more user friendly throughout the years, it still has a reputation as a big scary form. TRIO Talent Search advisors want to make the FAFSA quick and seamless, therefore, they offer their expertise at Financial Aid & FAFSA assistance events.

This year, ten schools in the TRIO Talent Search service area scheduled Financial Aid & FAFSA Assistance events throughout the months of October and November. Families can find out when their schools Financial Aid event is on the events calendar at keweenawtrio.org or follow TRIO Pre-College Programs on Instagram (@trioprecollege).

If families need additional assistance, please call (906) 487-7343.

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TRIO Pre-College Staff Attend COE Conference in NYC

Seven members of the TRIO Pre-College Programs staff attended the 37th annual Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) conference in New York, New York on September 13-16. The conference theme was “Investing in Futures & Empowering Families.”

This year’s theme was particularly fitting as COE presented it’s first-ever Family Achievement award to the Davis Family. The matriarch of the family, Mae Alice Davis, was present, as well as her four daughters who credit involvement with TRIO Upward Bound in Central Falls, Rhode Island to their personal and family success.



Actress, Viola Davis (*The Help*, *How to Get Away with Murder*), was present to accept the award with her sisters and mother. “Upward Bound made me feel worth,” said Davis, “They saw me and they saw my worth.” Davis called her involvement with TRIO a story of legacy.

COE President Maureen Hoyer said, “When one sibling enrolls in a program like Upward Bound and goes onto college, frequently younger brothers and sisters, and even parents, follow. Everyone benefits — especially our country. That is why we are so thrilled to present this award to the Davis family. They are an inspiration.”

TRIO Upward Bound Revamps Study Labs

TRIO Upward Bound is up and running for the 2018-2019 academic year, complete with Saturday Academies and Study Labs.

Previously, Study Labs ran two weeks per month on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, with each lab combining multiple schools. Study Lab’s ran from 3:30 to 5:30pm.

This year, TRIO Upward Bound’s academic coordinators are arriving at the scheduled school at 2:30 on Study Lab days, and stay until 4:30pm. This allows students to stay after school if able, or meet with their coordinator during the last period of the day, if their schedule allows.

If you have any questions about the new study lab schedule, please contact Catherine (Catherine.Jordan@finlandia.edu) or Frank (Frank.Pergande@finlandia.edu).

A graphic titled "TRIO UPWARD BOUND STUDY LABS" on a lined paper background. It lists the schedule for Weeks 1 & 3 and Weeks 2 & 4. Week 1 & 3 includes Monday - Lake Linden, Tuesday - Dollar Bay, Wednesday - Jeffers, and Thursday - Baraga & L'Anse. Week 2 & 4 includes Monday - Calumet, Tuesday - Hancock & Houghton, and Wednesday - Chassell. There are icons of a stack of books and a pencil pointing to a document.

TRIO Pre-College Programs Alumni Spotlight



My name is Shayla Cornish. I graduated from Calumet High School in 2017. I am attending Finlandia University and majoring in nursing to get a BSN. I am a TRIO Upward Bound alum and am currently enrolled in TRIO SSS at Finlandia University.

What I enjoy about college is the new friends you make while there. My freshman year I didn't talk to or make friends with many people. Now being in my sophomore year in the nursing program I've made friends with all of my classmates since we are a small class.

What I wish I knew before coming to college is that you learn how to deal with the crushing stress and workload that is being put on you. It feels very overwhelming at first. Even into my sophomore year, it does, but you will become used to it and be at peace with your stress and workloads.

The most valuable thing from being in TRIO is the importance of being part of a little community and how fun it is to be involved in group activities. I learned to come out of my shell and how to be comfortable doing new things, which carried over to starting college.

Advice I would give either my high school self is to NOT PROCRASTINATE. I was a person who would push off assignments for a while but still managed to get them done. You can be a procrastinator and still get your work done, but you can prevent so much stress by just doing your work, even if it's bit by bit so that it doesn't all have to be done at once.

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