

UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION--ELIGIBILITY FORM

(to be completed by parent or legal guardian)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child has been referred as a potential participant in the Appalachian State University Upward Bound program. Please read all of the information in this packet carefully. It will provide you with a good idea of what our program is about. Naturally, you will want to know more about Upward Bound and will have specific questions. We will hold an information session soon. A representative may call you but we encourage you to call us with any questions you may have.

Upward Bound is a valuable opportunity for your child. We will help him/her develop the academic and personal skills necessary for success in college. The program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education, and is hosted and supported by Appalachian State University. The cost per student exceeds \$4000 per year, but all services are provided at no cost to you or your child. We ask that you support our efforts by ensuring that your child participates fully in all program activities and works towards the goal of attending college.

We are very careful in selecting students. Your child's application will be evaluated based on interest in pursuing a college education, school performance, educational attainment within your family, and your family's financial status. To begin the selection process, we must gather information regarding your family income level and determine if either natural/adoptive parent of this student has a degree from a four-year college. If you have any questions about providing this information, please call (828) 262-2291 and ask for an Upward Bound representative. The information you provide will be maintained in strictest confidentiality. Thank you for your interest in Upward Bound.

Susan D. McCracken
Program Director

STUDENT NAME _____ SCHOOL _____ GRADE _____

Section 1. INCOME VERIFICATION:

If you are required to file a federal tax return, please write the TAXABLE INCOME figure from your MOST RECENTLY FILED TAX RETURN on the appropriate line below.

If using FORM 1040A, Line 24 _____

If using FORM 1040, Line 39 _____

If using FORM 1040EZ, Line 6 _____

The source of the above figure is my federal tax return from calendar year _____

Please attach a photocopy of the page of your tax return from which you gathered this information. We must have this as verification of your family income status in order to process your child's application. (On the back of this page is a sample copy of the information we require.)

If you are not required to file a tax return, please provide us with a copy of any federal form that will verify your income status. A social security wage statement, an AFDC or Medicaid check stub, a disability statement, or military pension information would provide this information

Section 2. PARENTAL EDUCATIONAL STATUS

Do either of this student's natural/adoptive parents with whom he/she currently resides have a college degree from a four-year institution? yes no

If yes, list parent names, institution attended, and degree obtained: _____

I certify that the information provided above is accurate, to the best of my knowledge.

signature of parent or legal guardian

date