



#### **FALL 2020 NEWSLETTER**

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#### Welcome back everyone! Happy New Year!

Collinsville Upward Bound Math & Science has completed our second quarter of programming. Fall has given us a lot to celebrate about and we are eagerly anticipating this Spring semester.

Our summer plans are well on their way! We have tons of exciting opportunities – including: Girls Who Code summer immersion program, SAME US Air Force Engineering & Construction residential camp, and a GIMS Essential Group - Medical Prep summer program.

Hands-on STEM exploration kits will also be a big focus – so we can all learn by doing! We are uncertain as to whether our academy will be hosted in-person or remote. Our intention is to work in-person, because we miss our students. However, it is imperative that we follow district guidelines to provide a safe environment amongst the COVID-19 pandemic.

UBMS Summer Interest Forms are due MAY 12, 2021.

Only 30 spots available!



# Quarter 3

JANUARY: John "Jack" Easley 1/5 Tiarra Moore 1/13 Nile Peace 1/24

FEBRUARY: Carlee Owens 2/1



Jennifer Carrillo 2/10 Banelly Urbina 2/16 Ryan McIntyre 2/16

MARCH: Harben Filho 3/20 Cole Patrick 3/31



**CHS - UBMS** STUDENT

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO UBMS CLASS OF 2021!

We continue to have 100% senior graduation and college acceptance! Here are some of their acceptances: SIUE, SIUC, SEMO, Eastern IL University, Western IL University, Mizzou, UMSL, University of Kentucky, Missouri Institute of Science & Technology, McKendree & Saint Louis University COLLEGE

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#### UBMS FALL STUDENT RECOGNITION

32 UBMS students celebrated a variety of note-worthy accomplishments. They were recognized for grades, leadership roles, UBMS participation, recruitment efforts, Student of the Month acknowledgments, and more! Students joined staff at Tres Caminos or China Lin restaurants to select and take-home a delicious congratulatory meal! Yum!

DJ: became an official member of National Honors Society & a praetor in Latin Club, he also received the Vice-Presidents Scholarship to SLU!

Nile: was selected to compete in the Ms. Illinois Teen Pageant – which will air in March 2021! Ryan: received a 4.2 GPA & earned 1st place in freshmen weightlifting pound to pound & placed 9th against the entire school!

Sierra: made Honor Roll while maintaining a part-time job & received multiple college scholarships! Tre: was relieved he passed all of his classes!

America: made Honor Roll & became president of Brighter Future Club, as well as accepted onto the Illinois State Board of Education - Student Advisory Council & the District Student Advisory Board Claudia: made Honor Roll & invited to join National Latin Honor Society & District Student Advisory Board! Gabriela: made Honor Roll, straight As in all classes & was UBMS September Student of the Month! Herica: made Honor Roll!

Alejandra: passed chemistry with a 97% & was also recognized in the CHS Student Success Records!

Against all the odds 2020 has thrown our way due to COVID-19, many of our UBMS students persevered, thrived and demonstrated their academic resilience & rigor during Fall semester!



Semester



2: Benjamin Simpkins - 4.4

3: Fatima Gutierrez-Trejo - 4.33

Julianna Sotelo - 4.33

3: Cole Patrick - 4.33



Our UBMS students of the month are selected based upon their:

- GPA,

- UBMS participation & **UBMS** staff recommendation!



**NOVEMBER:** Claudia DeLaCruz

**DECEMBER:** Sandra DeLaCruz



Employees are nominated by both their peers & students!

Mrs. Haruka Kawata-Inglish





On Tuesdays from 7PM – 8PM, students can participate in a virtual hangout called, "TURN UP TUESDAYS".





We meet to socialize with other members of the program. Turn Up Tuesday features a combination of student and staff selected activities and games which includes playing Among Us, Pictionary, painting, listening to music, etc.

## Mastery Preparation College Access

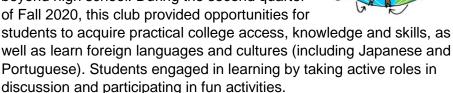
At the end of Fall semester our students received access to a brand-new service, MasteryPrep! MasteryPrep is an SAT study tool in which the students watch a series of modules on SAT strategies across the 4 subject areas. After, the students have unlimited access to SAT prep questions and tests. MasteryPrep is a brand-new SAT practice site that our students have found to be extremely helpful!



Our students who have taken the SAT previously have stated that MasteryPrep is more like the actual SAT than any other study tool that they have used. So far, our students have had several opportunities to use MasteryPrep, and we are excited to continue this service into the new year.

### **EXPLORERS CLUB**

Explorers' Club has allowed students to enhance their knowledge about the experiences and life beyond high school. During the second guarter of Fall 2020, this club provided opportunities for



Moving forward, during the third quarter of Spring 2021, Explorers' Club will be integrated into the part of Think Tank Thursday to offer this resourceful opportunity to all students in the program. Japanese and Portuguese languages and cultures will be taught on the third Think Tank Thursday of the month, and college access will be provided on Thursdays and Saturdays (Saturday Pre-Collegiate Academy). College access will focus on helping students smoothly transition to colleges, such as learning about scholarship applications, preparing for PSAT/SAT, and developing resumes and personal statements.

The Explorers' Club meets every Third Thursday from 2:00PM to 3:00PM. All UBMS students are welcomed to join!

Jan. 21st

Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>

3rd Quarter will begin with Japanese!



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## **UPWARD BOUND** Math-science



#### Have you been on our page yet?

Come check out our photos! See updates in REAL-TIME Join us via LIVE video footage!

"Send a shout out – Let us know you are watching!"

STAY IN THE KNOW! **UBMS STEM LEADERS IN ACTION!** THEY ARE COLLEGE BOUND!

### **OPPORTUNITIES!**

Are you aware that we have forged incredible partnerships for YOU with:

- HEALTH/MEDICAL (doctors, med students, nurses)
- **BOEING** (engineers)
- **FACEBOOK** (engineers)
  - STEM SIUe professors

It's your responsibility to inform your counselor if you are interested.



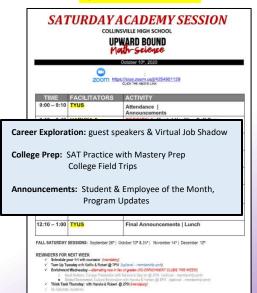
### SATURDAY STEM PRECOLLEGIATE ACADEMY



Saturday - STEM Precollegiate Academy (SPA) provides...

academic, socioemotional & authentic learning opportunities to become better equipped to complete college.

#### **QUARTER 1 & 2**



#### **QUARTER 3**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month

continue with the Q1 & Q2 adjusted schedule  $${\rm Jan}\,9^{\rm th}$$   ${\rm Feb}\,13^{\rm th}$ 

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month

hands-on STEM related activities

Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>

Feb 27<sup>th</sup>





#### FALL SEMESTER STIPENDS ARE PROCESSING...

Our students are eligible to **receive financial compensation** based upon their: GPA, UBMS participation and OnTrack completions. We issue three checks a year (or each semester and for our six-week long Summer Academy).

### **THINK TANK THURSDAYS**



Our Think Tank sessions take place on Thursdays from 2PM – 3PM.

Think Tank Thursday is a weekly afterschool program which provides students with opportunities to explore various skills and professions in the STEM field.

#### A FEW ACTIVITIES FROM QUARTER 2

- \* HTML coding to create an instructional website
- \* Predicting genotypes with Punnett Squares

#### **QUARTER 3 HANDS-ON STEM WORKSHOP DATES**

Jan. 28th

Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>

Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>





### STEM CAREER ACCESS

Throughout the year, students are using an online portal called **Virtual Job Shadow**® to further their knowledge about STEM related fields.

#### Virtual Job Shadow®

has a lot of resources, including a career interest survey, videos of real professionals describing their job,



and a resume builder. This site also provides videos for students to be able to learn about life skills such as time management, communication skills, or even how to be a well-balanced person. Additionally, we invite guest speakers to give students a firsthand account of what their job entails, education requirements, and other details that students might not know.



### REPORT CARDS, NEWSLETTER & CALENDARS WILL BE

### MAILED TO YOUR RESIDENCE BY THE SECOND WEEK OF FEBRUARY!

The purpose of **Bi-Weekly 1:1** advising sessions is to receive **on-going guidance**from an assigned UBMS counselor/tutor. Our counselors are here to assist

school, work, college-readiness & even life!

Counselors use this time to follow-up on all of our students

Individual Learning Plans. The ILPs ensure our students

are on course to graduate from high school & be prepared for a successful college experience – that inevitably leads to both a post-secondary graduation and the completion/obtainment of a degree in a STEM-related career field!

#UBMSProud #KahokProud #FutureSTEAMLeaders #TRiOWorks

All students must have a confirmed Bi-Weekly 1:1 time with their UBMS counselor.

Every day during the week from 2PM-3PM UBMS hosts a study hall session via Zoom called

Counselor's Corner

a.k.a. study hall.



### **COME DO YOUR HOMEWORK WITH YOUR UBMS FAMILY!!**

This time is dedicated for students to come in and work with counselors and fellow classmates on subjects they may be having difficulties with. Though many may use this time for tutoring it is not limited to tutoring. This time is also for students who want to have a designated time to work on homework, or even get the chance to socialize and network with peers. Please feel free to join us for "Dream Team Study Hall" during the week Monday-Friday from 2pm-3pm! Or you can schedule 1:1 tutoring with our counselor tutors.





#### HIGHEST THURSDAY THINK TANK WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION:

#### **100% ATTENDANCE**

Gabriela H. Sanda D. Banelly U. Herica C. Claudia D.



#### 75%+ ATTENDANCE

Danajah W.
Jack E.
Luis R.
Tre D.
Julianna S.
Lijanae W.
Carly W.
Alejandra A.
Draven R.
Ruby C.
Crista R.
Donald T.

Paulina G. Anjelica G.

#### HIGHEST SATURDAY STEM PRECOLLEGIATE ACADEMY (SPA) PARTICIPATION:

#### 100% ATTENDANCE

Sandra D.

Gabriela H.

Danajah W.

Tre D.

Banelly U.

Herica C.

Claudia D.



#### 75%+ ATTENDANCE

Delaney S.

Carly W.

Ijanae W.

Ruby C.

Crista R.

Abigail B.

Fatima G.

Jack E.

Donald T.

America G.

#### HIGHEST 1:1 (one on one) ADVISING ATTENDANCE WITH UBMS COUNSELOR:

#### **100% ATTENDANCE**

Fatima G. Jack E. Luis R. Gabriela H.

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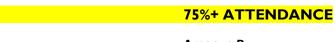
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