



⇒ **Respect for Opportunity**

Personal technology (i.e. cell phones or music devices) is permitted during non-structured TRIO UB programming, but it is not part of the academy. Please review the daily schedule and trip itineraries for these times. When devices are stored away, people are more able to focus on those around them and on the immediate experience. TRIO UB offers personal connections, sights, sensation and sounds that are unique. TRIO UB academy is an opportunity to forsake distractions of regular routines for a while and focus on an experience that has the potential to be life changing. Also, a reality of living is losing items and petty theft. We will keep valuables locked up in secure places if asked. Parents or guardians may call the program at any time. A participant who chronically defies policies and established rules during the academy will have the device taken, locked up in a secure area, and returned at the completion of the academy. Each incident is handled on a case-by-case basis.

As part of the Upward Bound application process parents sign a commitment contract where they have agreed to:

1. Grant permission for my child to participate in the UB program.
2. Fully support and facilitate my child's involvement in the UB program.
3. Attend UB activities that involve parents during the year.

Fully supporting your child's involvement may include: providing sack lunches for activities when lunch is not provided, assisting with car pool and fundraising efforts, sharing ideas and feedback to UB staff, and attending parent events as scheduled. Of course, we are open to your ideas for other ways to get parents involved.

Your involvement in Parent Events is optional, although greatly appreciated. Two meetings are scheduled this year and your transportation to and from these meetings is your responsibility.

The tentative schedule for activities that involve parents for the 14-15 year is:

<b>September</b>	<b>Student/Parent Academic Year Orientation</b>
September 2	All Helena – Tuesday, September 2, 5:30-6:30 PM, Rm. HHS Cafeteria
September 3	Anaconda – Wednesday, September 3, 6:00-7:00 PM, Rm. 310
September 4	Butte – Thursday, September 4, 6:00-7:00 PM, Rm. 408
<b>September 20</b>	<b>Saturday Academy - Montana Tech Homecoming/UB 50<sup>th</sup></b>
	<b>Topic – 50<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration      Organizer: RuthAnne</b>
<b>October 2 &amp; 3</b>	<b>Saturday Academy – Billings (Overnight)</b>
	<b>Topic – <i>Be Engaged</i>      Organizer: Cory</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>Deadline for seniors and parent(s) to meet with coordinator to discuss college plans deadlines etc.</b>
<b>November 1</b>	<b>Saturday Academy – Dillon</b>
	<b>Topic – <i>Leadership</i>      Organizer: Theresa</b>



- November**                                      **Deadline for seniors to have all college applications completed and submitted.**
- December**  
**TBD**    **Saturday Community Service by Community**
- January**    Seniors will begin working on FAFSA's at weekly meetings. Parent will need to provide student with financial information.
- January 10**                                      **Saturday Academy – Anaconda**  
**Topic – *Wellness***    **Organizer: Brandon**
- February**    **College Financial Aid & FAFSA Priority Deadlines**
- February 20**                                      **Saturday Academy - TRiO Celebration - Helena**
- April 1**    **Deadline for TRiO Scholarships and Summer Intention Forms**
- April 14-15**                                      **Saturday Academy – Flathead Community College (Overnight)**  
**Topic – *College Exploration***    **Organizer - Theresa**
- May 29**    **End of the Year Banquet – Butte**  
  
**Organizer - Theresa**
- June**    **Student/Parent Summer Orientation Meetings**  
Anaconda – Tuesday, June 2, 6:00-7:00 PM, Rm. 310  
Butte – Wednesday, June 3, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, Rm. 408  
Helena – Thursday, June 4, 5:30 – 6:30 PM, HHS Cafeteria
- June 21 – July 17**                                      **Summer Academy**
- July 20 - 24**                                      **Upward Bound College Trip**