



MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY  
UPWARD BOUND MATH AND SCIENCE  
A U.S. Department of Education-funded program: \$324,979, per year



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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

PLEASE MAIL OR FAX TO:

UPWARD BOUND MATH AND SCIENCE  
MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY  
252 BLACKBURN  
MURRAY, KY 42071  
PHONE 270.809.5429 FAX 270.809.4351

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IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PROGRAM PARTICIPATION IN UPWARD BOUND MATH AND SCIENCE, PLEASE BE SURE TO:

- COMPLETE EACH SECTION OF THE APPLICATION
- PROVIDE STUDENT SIGNATURES WHERE REQUESTED
- PROVIDE PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURES WHERE REQUESTED
- COMPLETE ALL WRITING PROMPTS
- PROVIDE TEACHER NAMES FOR LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

TRANSCRIPTS, TEST SCORES, CURRENT GRADES, ABSENCES, AND DISCIPLINE REPORTS WILL BE REQUESTED FROM YOUR SCHOOL.

ONCE ALL MATERIALS ARE RECEIVED BY UPWARD BOUND MATH AND SCIENCE AND REVIEWED, YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED ABOUT ACCEPTANCE INTO THE UPWARD BOUND MATH AND SCIENCE PROGRAM



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**PART A: PERSONAL INFORMATION**

PLEASE USE INK. PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION.									
NAME:	FIRST		MI		LAST		DOB	/	/
GENDER:	<input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> NON-BINARY					STUDENT CELL:	(       )		
PREFERRED PRONOUNS:	<input type="checkbox"/> SHE/HER/HERS <input type="checkbox"/> HE/HIM/HIS <input type="checkbox"/> THEY/THEM								
MAILING ADDRESS:		STREET OR BOX NUMBER				CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	
CURRENT GRADE LEVEL:	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 12 <sup>th</sup>					STUDENT EMAIL:			
RACE (ETHNICITY):	<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian or White <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Two or more races								
CITIZENSHIP STATUS (SELECT ONE):									
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a U. S. citizen or national or a permanent resident of the United States.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and can provide evidence from the Immigration and Naturalization Service of my intent to become a permanent resident.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a permanent resident of Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a resident of the Freely Associated States – the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau.								

**PART B: GUARDIAN AND FAMILY INFORMATION: PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS THAT APPLY**

<b>PARENT/GUARDIAN (1)</b>	STUDENT CURRENTLY LIVES WITH THIS PERSON :	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
NAME:		
PHONE NUMBER :	(       )	RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT:
EARNED A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
<b>PARENT/GUARDIAN (2)</b>	STUDENT CURRENTLY LIVES WITH THIS PERSON :	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
NAME:		
PHONE NUMBER:	(       )	RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT:
EARNED A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

IS THE STUDENT IN A FOSTER CARE PROGRAM? ☐ YES ☐ NO

DOES THE STUDENT HAVE A COURT-APPOINTED GUARDIAN? ☐ YES ☐ NO

DOES THE STUDENT CURRENTLY RECEIVE FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM AT SCHOOL?

☐ FREE ☐ REDUCED ☐ NO



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IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF YOUR INCOME STATUS OR DO NOT FILE FEDERAL TAXES, YOU MAY SUBMIT A SIGNED UNITED STATES INCOME TAX RETURN OR OTHER GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS THAT VERIFY FAMILY INCOME.

	PLEASE MARK YOUR FAMILY TAXABLE INCOME IN THE TABLE BELOW			
	EFFECTIVE JANUARY 12, 2022, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE			
		SIZE OF FAMILY UNIT		TAXABLE INCOME LESS THAN:
TO DETERMINE YOUR TAXABLE INCOME, REFER TO YOUR 2019 FEDERAL TAX RETURN:  LINE 6 ON 1040 EZ LINE 27 ON 1040A LINE 43 ON 1040	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$21,870
	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$29,580
	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$37,290
	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$45,000
	<input type="checkbox"/>	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$52,710
	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$60,420
	<input type="checkbox"/>	7	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$68,130
	<input type="checkbox"/>	8	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$75,840

USING THE CRITERIA BELOW, ARE YOU CONSIDERED HOMELESS? ☐ YES ☐ NO

The current definition of "homeless" for this program is:

- Lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.
- Primary nighttime residence is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for humans.
- Share the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason.
- Currently living in a motel, hotel, trailer park, or campground due to lack of alternative, adequate accommodations.
- Currently living in an emergency or transitional shelter.
- Currently living in car, park, public space, abandoned building, substandard housing, bus or train station, or similar setting.

**PART C: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND SIGNATURE**

I VERIFY, BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS INFORMATION WILL BE HELD IN COMPLETE CONFIDENCE BY THE TRIO PROGRAMS AT MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY AND BY THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

STUDENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_



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**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU, THE STUDENT, COMPLETE EVERY SECTION OF PART D**

**PART D: PERSONAL AND SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION**

NAME:		
HIGH SCHOOL:		
CURRENT GRADE LEVEL:	<input type="checkbox"/> Rising 9 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 12 <sup>th</sup>	
EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL:	<input type="checkbox"/> 4-YEAR COLLEGE	<input type="checkbox"/> 2-YEAR COLLEGE
	<input type="checkbox"/> VOTECH	<input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFICATION
	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	
CAREER CHOICES:	1.	2.
	3.	4.

CHECK ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TRIO PROGRAMS IN WHICH YOU CURRENTLY PARTICIPATE:

☐ UPWARD BOUND      ☐ EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH      ☐ UPWARD BOUND MATH AND SCIENCE

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF: EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AWARDS, HONORS, INTERSTS, AND HOBBIES.

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TELL US HOW UBMS CAN HELP YOU MEET YOUR GOALS FOR BECOMING WHAT YOU WANT TO BE.

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IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH US? WE WOULD LOVE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT YOU.

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DO YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TECHNOLOGIES?

DESKTOP COMPUTER ☐ YES ☐ NO  
LAPTOP COMPUTER ☐ YES ☐ NO  
IPAD OR ANOTHER TABLET ☐ YES ☐ NO  
INTERNET CONNECTION ☐ YES ☐ NO  
SMART PHONE ☐ YES ☐ NO

PART E: RECOMMENDATION REQUESTS

PLEASE LIST THE NAME AND SCHOOL FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING. PLEASE CHOOSE TEACHERS THAT KNOW YOU WELL ENOUGH TO PROVIDE A COMPLETE RECOMMENDATION.

SCIENCE TEACHER	
NAME:	
SCHOOL:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
MATH TEACHER	
NAME:	
SCHOOL:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	



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PART F: STUDENT INFORMATION RELEASE FORM

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MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY  
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The information you provide to the Upward Bound Math and Science Program and/or Murray State University is for UBMS, Murray State University, and the U.S. Department of Education use only. The information provided in this application is necessary to determine eligibility for the program and may be used for research purposes. Only UBMS, Murray State University personnel, and U.S. Department of Education personnel have access to these records.

PLEASE INITIAL EACH SECTION AND PROVIDE STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURES AND DATES.

1. I give consent to release the following information to the Murray State University Upward Bound Math and Science Program as requested:

\_\_\_\_\_  
INITIALS

**Standardized Test Results (ACT, SAT, CTBS, PSAT, etc.)**  
**High School Grade Reports**  
**High School Transcripts**  
**College Admission and Financial/Aid Records**  
**College Grade Reports and Transcripts**

2. Further, I give consent for UBMS/Murray State University staff and my child's school representatives to discuss my child's academic progress and general school activities for the purposes of identifying needs, coordinating services, and documenting my child's overall scholastic progress. I and my child fully understand that UBMS will track my child's academic progress and admission status until he/she is no longer attending an institution of higher learning.

\_\_\_\_\_  
INITIALS

3. I give consent for UBMS/Murray State University to use **photographs** of my child for news releases, publicity, and other information about the program released to the public.

\_\_\_\_\_  
INITIALS

4. I give consent for this release to remain in effect until my child's completion of college and/or post-graduate work is completed, if selected as a UBMS Program participant. If not selected for the Program, I give consent for the information provided in this application and information released as described above to be used by UBMS for research projects.

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INITIALS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Student (printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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PART G: PERMISSION AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

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MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY  
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I/we hereby give my/our consent for \_\_\_\_\_ to attend Upward Bound Math and Science sponsored activities with Murray State University. These activities may include **field trips, cultural events, and workshops**. I /we understand my/our child will be provided transportation to and from these events and hereby agree to same. As parent (s) or the natural guardian (s) of the above named student, I/we release Murray State University, its Board of Regents and individual Regents, directors, officers, agents, and employees, the Director of Upward Bound Math and Science and any staff member of Upward Bound Math and Science (hereinafter referred to as "released parties") from any and all liability for injury to the above named child, including death, which may arise from any causal factor, including negligence. In the event my/our under-age child should subsequently bring legal action and obtain judgment against the released parties, or any of them, I/we hereby bind and obligate myself/ourselves to indemnify said released parties up to and including the full amount of the judgement.

Furthermore, I/we understand that I/we forever release the released parties from all claims, damages, actions, or causes of actions which may occur due to any decisions made with respect to the **medical care or treatment** of my/our child. I/we further authorize agents of the Upward Bound Math and Science Program and/or employees/agents of Murray State University to **authorize emergency medical treatment** for my/our child in the event that I/we are unavailable to provide such consent and hereby agree to hold said released parties harmless as to any and all decisions in regard to said medical care.

This release is unlimited in duration, and applies to any and all Upward Bound Math and Science sponsored activities in which the above-named individual participates.

This permission and release form is entered into voluntarily and of my/our own free will and volition. I/we further understand and agree that this agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by Kentucky law, and that if any portion of this agreement is held invalid, the balance shall continue in full legal force and effect. My/our signature(s) indicate(s) that the above-named child resides in my/our home, and I/we are the custodial parent(s)/guardian(s) of said child.

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Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

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Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

#### PART H: COMMITMENT CONTRACT

The partnership between Upward Bound Math and Science at Murray State University and its students, parents, and school liaisons is unique and dependent upon shared responsibilities. It is critical that everyone works together to provide a structured plan for student success in the program. Please read the following commitments carefully, as your signature below will indicate your full support of the Upward Bound Math and Science program.

##### STUDENT COMMITMENT

###### I AGREE TO:

1. Attend high school (scheduled classes, labs, and required testing) regularly.
2. Enroll in an academically rigorous schedule of courses that meet college entrance requirements.
3. Attend monthly school meetings and two weekend program workshops per semester, in order to participate in the Summer Component of the program.
4. **Display behavior and attitudes that are respectful, appropriate, and bring credit to myself, my family, my high school, Upward Bound Math and Science, and Murray State University.**
5. Attend at least one Summer Program Component to be eligible to participate in the Bridge Component of the program.

***Students who neglect their responsibilities to UBMS by failing to comply with the conditions listed above may be dismissed from the program.***

##### PARENT/GUARDIAN COMMITMENT

###### I AGREE TO:

1. Grant permission for my child to participate in the Upward Bound Math and Science program.
2. Fully support and facilitate my child's involvement in the Upward Bound Math and Science program.
3. Attend Upward Bound Math and Science program activities involving parents/guardians during the Academic and Summer Components of the program.

##### UPWARD BOUND MATH AND SCIENCE STAFF COMMITMENT

###### WE AGREE TO:

1. Meet with each student on a regular basis, provide information, tutoring, and activities that will help him/her to achieve his/her full potential.
2. Seek parental involvement in Upward Bound Math and Science program activities.
3. Work closely with parents/guardians and school personnel to ensure that each student is receiving the best combination of services.

#### ACADEMIC PROBATION AND DISMISSAL POLICY SUMMARY

Reasons for probation may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. A student does not maintain a GPA of 2.50 or higher after two (2) quarters. Interventions such as tutoring and mentoring may be required.
2. A student does not participate in at least two workshops per semester without pre-arranged notice with program staff.
3. A student displays an attitude not conducive to learning.
4. A student shows a lack of initiative in completing assignments or responsibilities, including regular attendance (at school or in the program).
5. A student displays a willful disregard for program guidelines.
6. A student demonstrates disruptive behavior with peers or staff.

#### DISMISSAL:

Because of the extensive resources invested in each student, the Upward Bound Math and Science Program cannot afford to support students who are not serious about academic improvement or pursuing higher education. Failure to comply with the above guidelines will result in dismissal from the program.

We have read the commitments and the "Academic Probation and Dismissal Policy" above and we agree to adhere to the conditions set forth.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Coordinator Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Program Director Signature Date





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**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION**

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You have been asked to provide a recommendation for the following student. The recommendation and supporting documents may be returned in the postage paid envelope.

MSU Upward Bound Math and Science (UBMS) is a federally-funded program designed to prepare high school age students for college and careers in STEM. Your honest assessment of this student will assist in determining if this student would benefit from our services. Upward Bound Math and Science seeks students who are motivated academically but need assistance academically and financially.

STUDENT NAME:		CURRENT GRADE LEVEL:	
COUNSELOR NAME:		SCHOOL NAME:	
COUNSELOR EMAIL:		SCHOOL PHONE:	(       )

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE HISTORY FOR STUDENT:

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STATEMENT OF REFERRAL HISTORY FOR STUDENT:

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PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS IN THE RECOMMENDATION FOR THE STUDENT

1. CURRENT COURSE SCHEDULE
2. CURRENT GRADE REPORT (IF AVAILABLE): FOR NEW 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS, 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TRANSCRIPT ACCEPTABLE
3. MOST RECENT HS TRANSCRIPT (IF AVAILABLE): FOR NEW 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS, 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TRANSCRIPT ACCEPTABLE
4. AVAILABLE STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES
5. IEP/504 PLAN (IF APPLICABLE) NOTE: DOES NOT PREVENT A STUDENT'S PARTICIPATION IN UBMS

PLEASE CHECK ANY APPLICABLE CHALLENGES THAT YOU FEEL THIS STUDENT FACES:

Low standardized test scores	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of career goals and/or need for accurate career information in STEM	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of confidence, self-esteem, or social skills	<input type="checkbox"/>
Diagnosed learning disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low educational aspirations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low income family and/or community	<input type="checkbox"/>
Low course grades	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of opportunity/support in taking challenging course work	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

DO YOU FEEL THIS STUDENT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN A TWO OR FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE (EVEN IF NOT PRESENTLY ACHIEVING)?      YES \_\_\_\_\_      NO \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU RECOMMEND THIS STUDENT FOR THE MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY UPWARD BOUND MATH/SCIENCE PROGRAM?      YES \_\_\_\_\_      NO \_\_\_\_\_

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COUNSELOR SIGNATURE

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**SCIENCE TEACHER RECOMMENDATION**

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<b>STUDENT NAME:</b>		<b>CURRENT COURSE AVERAGE:</b>	
<b>TEACHER NAME:</b>			
<b>SUBJECTS TAUGHT:</b>		<b>EMAIL:</b>	
<b>SCHOOL NAME:</b>		<b>SCHOOL PHONE:</b>	(     )

HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE STUDENT? \_\_\_\_\_ IN WHAT CAPACITY? \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RATE THE STUDENT IN COMPARISON WITH THE STUDENT'S PEERS:

	OUTSTANDING	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE
ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY				
RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDE				
CURRENT LEVEL OF ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE				
ACADEMIC POTENTIAL				
HIGH INTEREST IN MATH AND/OR SCIENCE				

PLEASE CHECK ANY APPLICABLE CHALLENGES THAT YOU FEEL THIS STUDENT FACES:

Low standardized test scores		Lack of career goals and/or need for accurate career information in STEM		Lack of confidence, self-esteem, or social skills	
Diagnosed learning disability		Low educational aspirations		Low income family and/or community	
Low course grades		Lack of opportunity/support in taking challenging course work			

DO YOU FEEL THIS STUDENT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN A TWO OR FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE (EVEN IF NOT PRESENTLY ACHIEVING)?      YES \_\_\_\_\_      NO \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU RECOMMEND THIS STUDENT FOR THE MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY UPWARD BOUND MATH/SCIENCE PROGRAM?      YES \_\_\_\_\_      NO \_\_\_\_\_

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TEACHER SIGNATURE

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**MATH TEACHER RECOMMENDATION**

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<b>TEACHER NAME:</b>			
<b>SUBJECTS TAUGHT:</b>		<b>EMAIL:</b>	
<b>SCHOOL NAME:</b>		<b>SCHOOL PHONE:</b>	(     )

HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE STUDENT? \_\_\_\_\_ IN WHAT CAPACITY? \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RATE THE STUDENT IN COMPARISON WITH THE STUDENT'S PEERS:

	OUTSTANDING	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE
ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY				
RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDE				
CURRENT LEVEL OF ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE				
ACADEMIC POTENTIAL				
HIGH INTEREST IN MATH AND/OR SCIENCE				

PLEASE CHECK ANY APPLICABLE CHALLENGES THAT YOU FEEL THIS STUDENT FACES:

Low standardized test scores		Lack of career goals and/or need for accurate career information in STEM		Lack of confidence, self-esteem, or social skills	
Diagnosed learning disability		Low educational aspirations		Low income family and/or community	
Low course grades		Lack of opportunity/support in taking challenging course work			

DO YOU FEEL THIS STUDENT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN A TWO OR FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE (EVEN IF NOT PRESENTLY ACHIEVING)?      YES \_\_\_\_\_      NO \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU RECOMMEND THIS STUDENT FOR THE MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY UPWARD BOUND MATH/SCIENCE PROGRAM?      YES \_\_\_\_\_      NO \_\_\_\_\_

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TEACHER SIGNATURE

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