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## *Alcorn State University Upward Bound Program*

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### **“Motivating and Cultivating Young Minds to Meet Future Challenges”**

## **Director Remarks**

Greetings:



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We have planned an exciting program, academically and socially. Remember, success depends on you, and we hope for success. We encourage participants and parents to take advantage of the many services designed to enhance academic and social skills.

The Upward Bound Program is eager to assist students, staff, teachers, and parents in having a wonderful and successful experience throughout participation and cooperation with the Upward Bound Program.

Sincerely,  
Lucille Donaldson  
Director of Upward Bound Program



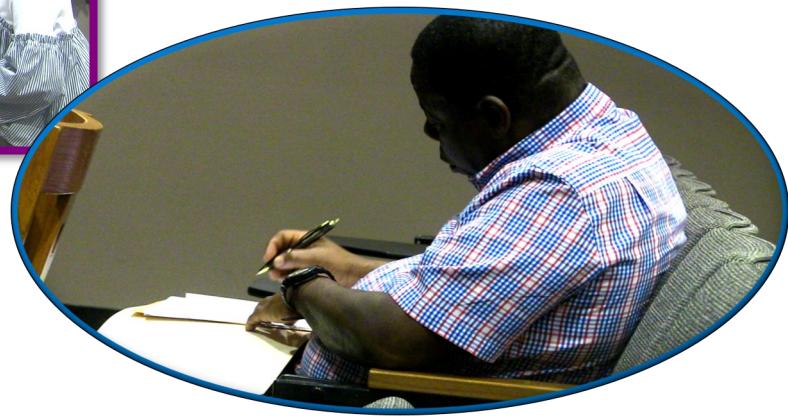
## **Advancement of STEM**

On September 28, 2018, Alcorn State University in collaboration with the Department of Advance Technology received a monetary award of \$40,000. These funds will be used to provide fulfillment and advancement of students interested in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

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## **Steps to Success**



On Saturday, September 29, 2018, the Alcorn State University Upward Bound Program hosted a staff encampment. Teachers met with program director, Lucille Donaldson to devise an educational and cultural plan to benefit students during the academic phase.

Several topics were discussed ranging from program objectives, plan of operation for academic and cultural activities to performance evaluation and recruitment. The Upward Bound program is eager to begin the 2018– 2019 Academic Phase, and the staff anticipates having a successful year!

### **Staff Feedback:**

“The 2018 Summer phase was very wonderful. I believe the academic phase will be memorable, as well.” — *Tawanna Gibson, Reading Instructor*

“This is an excellent group of students. I am eager to continue interacting with them.” — *LaTarsha Thomas, English Instructor*



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## An Adventure Awaits

On Saturday, September 29, 2018, the Alcorn State University Upward Bound Program hosted its 2018-2019 Academic Phase Orientation. Program staff, students and parents were invited to attend.

Students were given an opportunity to reflect on the program's success and the impact it made on them. Parents had the chance to openly discuss the program's mission and goals with the staff and teachers. A session for questions, concerns and suggestions was hosted to provide valuable feedback for the staff.

## Walking with TRIO

On Saturday, October 6, 2018, the Upward Bound students participated in Alcorn State University's annual homecoming parade.

The students were enthusiastic to begin their academic phase by walking in the parade. They wore their vibrant uniform shirts and khaki pants while donning big, beautiful smiles for the crowd to see.

### Students' Feedback:

"It was nice and cool. I enjoyed seeing my friends and family as we walked along the parade route. I had fun." — *Mikeria Wallace*

"I enjoyed interacting with the different organizations. It was great to see multiple bands and ROTC programs up close and personal." — *MarQuayvious Porter*





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## **Moving Forward with PLATO**

Mr. Jerry Johnson, who has over 24 years of experience in providing teaching, counseling and consulting services, served as the guest speaker for the Upward Bound Program's Professional Development Workshop. Mr. Johnson informed the program teachers and staff about the positive benefits of incorporating an educational program such as PLATO into the Upward Bound Program's educational curriculum.

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### **Possible Upward Bound – Courseware**

- Academic Success
- Accuplacer
- ACT
- ACT WorkKeys
- High School Core Courses
- Advanced Courses
- Basic Courses
- African American Studies
- ASVAB Courses
- Allied Health
- Career & Technical
- Electives
- Developmental (Intermediate)
- Finance Management

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## **Cheerful Celebration!**

On December 1, 2018, the Alcorn State University Upward Bound Program attended the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Football Championship game between Alcorn State University and Southern University. This awesome event was hosted on the Lorman campus. The Upward Bound participants were excited to experience the highly charged and enthusiastic atmosphere for this competition. Even more spectacular for the student's game-day experience was the Alcorn Braves win against the Southern Jaguars.



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**Calendar of Events:**

*September 29, 2018: Orientation  
October 06, 2018: Homecoming Parade  
October 13, 2018: Class Meeting  
October 27, 2018: Class Meeting/  
Mandatory ACT  
November 03, 2018: Class Meeting  
November 17, 2018: Class Meeting  
December 01, 2018: SWAC Championship  
December 08, 2018: Class Meeting  
January 05, 2019: Class Meeting  
January 12, 2019: Class Meeting  
January 26, 2019: Class Meeting*

**Birthdays**

*August 3rd: Zyria Queen  
August 4th: Kyra Day  
August 7th: Zariah McGee  
August 24th: La'Caela McClain  
August 26th: Marviyanna Ratliff  
September 8th: Devarious Harried  
September 8th: Jibri Buck  
September 10th: Xaria McClain  
September 23rd: Promise Middleton  
September 25th: Marquavious Porter  
September 26th Krysta Gamble  
October 2nd: Tre'Vionne Claiborne  
October 2nd: Amani Williams  
October 7th: Ja'Cari Hayes  
October 12th: Myla Stewart  
October 14th: Montrea O'Quinn  
November 4th: Jaquan Nelson  
November 5th: Jekuayvious Martin  
November 12th: Jo'leecia Moore  
November 21st: dadarius Cosey  
November 23rd: Dante'vion Torrain  
December 18th: Lakendrick Claiborne  
December 20th: Kayla Thomas  
December 22nd: Qyneisha Hayes  
January 1st: Mikeria Wallace  
January 7th: Breanna Scott  
January 7th: Amber McCalpin*

**Alcorn State University**

Dr. Donzell Lee  
*Interim President*

Dr. Valerie Thompson  
*Dean of University College*

*Happy New Year!  
We look forward to providing  
services to your child's success.*