



## TRIO PROGRAMS 2019 YEAR IN REVIEW





Middle Georgia Center for Academic Excellence, Inc.

#### Greetings:

This is the TRIO Yearbook for 2019. It was our desire to capture the accomplishments that were achieved by each of you during the year and for you to have a yearbook to reflect upon in the coming years of your TRIO experiences.

As we indicated in your acceptance letter to you, the purpose of the program is to help you learn skills and techniques that will increase the options available to you upon graduation from high school. Through the activities of TRIO you will be able to identify problems and barriers before you analyze them, consider solutions to them, and implement problem solving strategies to correct them. The skills you learned this year will assist you in making life more tolerable and satisfying, perhaps more exciting and surely more successful.

In the acceptance letter, we challenged each of you to use the resources of TRIO to help you become whatever you want to be. We also challenged you to come to the Program with a willingness to invest in yourself and to develop self-control methods that would help you follow your own wishes, rather than be controlled by negative circumstances and influences around you.

You met the challenges head-on and I congratulate you on your many accomplishments during the year.

Sincerely,

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Samuel F. Hart, Sr. Executive Director

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## ABOUT...

At the Middle Georgia Center for Academic Excellence, our ultimate goal is to help students graduate from college by equipping them to be successful with meeting their specific academic needs. Through our Federal TRIO and Georgia Department of Human Services programs, we mentor over 1,400 students annually and have assisted with the college enrollment of over 2,500 students.

The Middle Georgia Center for Academic Excellence was established in 2002 by Executive Director, Samuel F Hart, Sr. After spending over thirty years in higher education, Mr. Hart created the Center to continue growing his vision for expanding college and post-secondary education opportunities for low- income and potential first-generation college students.

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## PROGRAMS



#### **UPWARD BOUND**

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#### **UPWARD BOUND MATH & SCIENCE**

Upward Bound Math & Science students receive the same types of tutoring and activity options as Upward Bound students, but with a specific emphasis on STEM subjects. This program focuses primarily on cultivating interest and aptitude in STEM and, ultimately, helping students graduate college in a STEM-related discipline.



#### EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH

Educational Talent Search is a more flexible program designed to meet student's specific needs and interests. Some students may require just a few tutorials during the school year, while others may need weekly help. Students also receive helpful services like college admissions assistance. Students in this program enjoy a host of workshop and field trip activities.



#### **UPPER LEVEL THINKING**

Upper Level Thinking (ULT) is the Georgia Center for Academic Excellence's state-funded program. ULT is an esteem-based, after-school tutoring program focused on raising students' critical thinking abilities. All students receive subject tutorials, supplemental assistance, help with homework, and daily physical activity.

## **PARTNERSHIPS**



The Middle Georgia Center for Academic Excellence is beyond thankful for the helpfulness and generosity of all our partners, Middle Georgia State University and the Bibb County Board of Education. We are pleased to be backed by some incredible groups and organizations. Without this kind of support, many of the unique activities and opportunities we provide students in our Upward Bound, Upward Bound Math & Science, Educational Talent Search, and Upper Level Thinking programs would not be possible.



Middle Georgia State University's assistance has been crucial throughout our various programs. By providing us with access to their beautiful campuses, we have been able to host multiple events, including our summer programs. They played an integral part with the creation of our Upward Bound Math & Science program; a great deal of which is taught by their professors. Middle Georgia State has, also, been instrumental in identifying capable tutors who devote time and attention to our students.



Without the Bibb County Board of Education, we would not have nearly as significant an impact as we currently do with students in the region. The Board of Education has graciously provided us with their full support, allowing us to work within many of our local schools, particularly Westside High School, where we have developed a strong collaborative relationship.

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## Upper Level Thinking at the Harriet Tubman Museum







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## Upward Bound





## Southwest 9th Graders (Registered for the PSAT) Pizza Party







## Awards Ceremony



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