April 9, 2020

To Parents, Partners and Collaborators:

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, all Upward Bound staff at BMCC will continue to work remotely from home utilizing email for correspondence and virtual meetings for face to face interactions.

For any questions pertaining to the services, programs or activities with Upward Bound, please email the Director, Oriel Straker at ostraker@bmcc.cuny.edu or Assistant Director, Jovanne Augustine at jaugustin@bmcc.cuny.edu with your questions or concerns.

In the meantime, Upward Bound continues to support our participants by conducting weekly academic support workshops to students in grades (9-12) through virtual face to face sessions as scheduled on weekdays from 4-6 p.m..

In addition, our Road to College workshop series for high school Juniors and Transition to College for Seniors continue weekly through online face to face sessions to ensure Upward Bound participants have a smooth transition into their senior year and freshman year of college.

The End of Year Celebration, scheduled for May 30, 2020 has been cancelled due to the pandemic.

For information regarding the Upward Bound Summer Enrichment Program, our services will be in accordance with the New York City Department of Education regulations pertaining to students return back to school. At this time, no additional information is available, updates will be provided upon notification.

On behalf of Upward Bound, we encourage you and your family to practice social distancing and proper hygienic practices so that we can flatten the curve and get back to our business of preparing first-generation students to be college-ready.

Regards,

Oriel Straker
Director