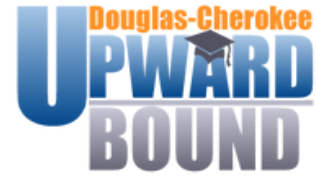


# Parent Newsletter



January 2025



## Upcoming Events and Important Program Information

Welcome to our Upward Bound newsletter! We would like to share with you important information about TN Promise, the 25-26 FAFSA, the importance of tutoring, and much more!

### TN Promise

Tennessee Promise is a last-dollar scholarship that funds tuition and mandatory fees not paid by state or federal funds for up to five semesters at a community college or eligible four-year institution.

Seniors must attend a mandatory TN Promise meeting at their high school to keep their eligibility.

### Meeting Schedules

**Coalfield High School** - 1/27/25 at 10AM

**Sunbright High School** - 2/5/25 at 1PM

**Wartburg Central High School** - 2/5/25 at 4PM

**Grainger and Cherokee High School** - students must watch a virtual meeting by 3/15/25

### FAFSA

The 25-26 FAFSA is now available!

Parents, you must create your FSA ID! This process can take 1-3 days to get your account verified before you can fill out the parent section

You might need the following documents to fill out the form:

- 2023 Tax returns
- Records of child support received
- Current balances of cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Net worth of investments, businesses, and farms

Your child has to invite you to contribute on their form using your FSA ID information. They must fill out the student section, and you must fill out the parent section in order to submit the form. Once submitted it will take a few days to process before you can see their estimated financial aid.

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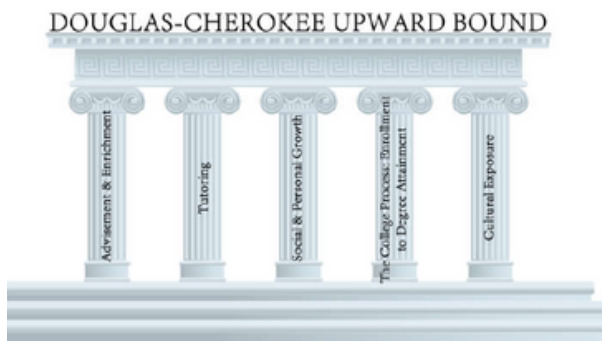
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## The Importance of Tutoring

**Tutoring** is one of the 5 Pillars in Upward Bound because of its important role in student success. If students fall below an 80% in any class, they must go to mandatory tutoring. Tutoring can be completed by an Upward Bound adviser, a teacher, or by peers.

### Why is tutoring important?

Tutoring helps students bring their grades and test scores up by spending extra one-on-one time going over lessons and concepts that they had difficulty with in class.

Tutoring can help students develop good study habits like better note-taking, time management, and organization.

Students also become more confident and motivated to grow academically. They can feel more prepared for tests and assignments.

Tutoring also provides personalized learning that is tailored to each student's needs. Everybody learns differently, so one-on-one tutoring can adapt to different learning styles that they may not get during classroom instruction.

Tutoring is a staple in our program and we encourage our students to attend their sessions!



## ACT Test Dates

### TEST

**February 8th**  
**April 5th**  
**June 14th**  
**July 12th**

### Register By

**January 3rd**  
**February 28th**  
**May 9th**  
**June 6th**



## 24-25 Eagle Day Schedule

- September 28th:** Carson-Newman
- October 19th:** Carson-Newman
- November 16th:** College Visits
- December 14th:** Christmas Trip
- January 25th:** Carson-Newman
- February 22nd:** TRIO Day at University of Tennessee-Knoxville
- March 15th:** Carson-Newman (Senior Sash Day)
- April 5th:** Spring Trip
- May 3rd:** Carson-Newman

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