Horizons-Upward Bound firmly believes that education is the best way to overcome barriers that prevent people from achieving their potential and improving our communities, cities and nation. We are committed to providing an environment designed and dedicated to overcoming the barriers among traditionally underserved student groups. In so many ways, the winter phase of Horizons-Upward Bound has become crucially supportive of what takes place during the six-week residential summer phase at Cranbrook. During our summer six-week residential phase, students attend classes and engage in a number of cultural, physical and artistic activities. In the winter phase we provide additional classroom work, counseling, tutoring and life skills lessons in challenging our students to continue their commitment towards college acceptance and completion. More and more HUB students appear to exhibit greater concern for academic achievement, as evidenced by the Saturday enrollment and attendance reports. The counseling process has provided a key linkage between both phases of the program and provides students with invaluable support to successfully deal with a multitude of problems and difficult situations.

One of the most vital functions of the winter phase is that of recruitment. Directly after the Christmas holidays, contact is made with our feeder schools to visit and explain program expectations, opportunities and rewards. Our projected opening for this year was approximately 55 new students and we received 155 applications. Our total enrollment for the 2011 Summer Phase will be 185. We are facing the difficult challenge of maintaining enduring and beneficial relationships with many long-time supporting public schools. Restructuring and closing of many Detroit Public Schools continue to be major areas of concern for Horizons-Upward Bound. Fortunately the new structure has allowed us to maintain some of our feeder schools and we have created new relationships with additional public schools.

In summary, this has been a most productive and successful winter phase. The needs of our students were met with the best of our resources and we continue to monitor all aspects of the program very closely to make the necessary adjustments that are indicated. We can be proud of the many accomplishments in both phases and know that these accomplishments rest firmly on four pillars: the Cranbrook Educational Community’s leadership; their dedication for supporting a mission for nearly fifty years with creative, committed people and resources has made significant improvements in the lives and communities of many students.

Mission Statement

The mission of Horizons-Upward Bound is to prepare students with limited opportunity from the Detroit metropolitan area to enter and succeed in post-secondary education.
Senior Reflections
by Jose Davila, H’12

Amber Wesley

Amber was involved in stage crew and many clubs at Cranbrook Kingswood School as well as the HUB Red Key program. She plans to study neuroscience in college.

Education: I was accepted into University of Michigan, Amherst, Case Western, Goucher, University of Pittsburgh, Denison, and John Hopkins. My final decision will be either the University of Michigan or Amherst.

For the University of Michigan the pros are: It is close to home; I know people there; they have a great pre-med program; and it has a considerably decent campus/dorms. However, the cons would be that it’s too close to home, public, and has a huge population. For Amherst the pros are that it is selective, private, the financial aid is beneficial, and it gives me independence because it’s far away from home. The cons are that I don’t know anyone there; I will miss my family because of the distance; it’s not very diverse; and no cars are allowed on campus.

How HUB Helped: HUB was very useful and gave me an unforgettable experience. My only suggestion would be that they could have given us more sufficient time to get our college information completed.

Advice to Future Seniors: I would tell them not to be overly stressed and make sure to keep on top of their college work!

Ted Dong

Ted has been a part of many volunteer experiences, such as the BTD’s community outreach at Clark Park including cleaning up, readying the ice rink area, preparing hockey equipment for use and repairing artwork on some of the murals. He also participated in HUB’s Red Key, HUB CAP, and attended Cranbrook Kingswood/HUB/University of Michigan Student Leadership Retreat. Ted has been enrolled in honors classes at Rochester and has been instrumental in planning and executing senior class activities such as passage of leadership and graduation festivities.

Education: I’ve been accepted to Hope College and Oakland University (I only applied to those two). My final choice is Oakland University. I chose Oakland because it’s close to home and my mother works there so I was fortunate enough to receive a discount. Hope College would be nice, but it’s far from home and too expensive.

How HUB Helped: I definitely received much help from HUB, I got great counseling and it really helped me develop social skills and networking.

Advice to Future Seniors: Don’t get lazy, and keep in mind that it’s just the beginning.

Tatiana Franklin

Tatiana has been an active member of her high school’s robotics team and has participated in HUB’s wilderness weekend her junior and senior years. She has an internship at Oakland University this summer and aspires to become an English as a second language teacher in a Spanish speaking country or Japan.

Education: I applied to three colleges - Wellesley University, Denison University and Oakland University. I was rejected by my first choice, Wellesley. With hope, I wish to gain a wonderful experience no matter where I attend school.

How HUB Helped: HUB introduced me to Wellesley and Denison, and helped me write essays for my college applications. Also, HUB helped me with my FAFSA application process.

Advice to Future Seniors: Don’t give up, if you don’t get into your first choice or even your second choice school. You can always go to community college for a year or two and then transfer. It’s not the end of the world. Also, you don’t have to know exactly what you want to do. I know I’ve changed my mind about my career three times since my senior summer. College is about finding what you like. Enjoy it.
Nana Achampong
Graduate of John Glenn High School
College Attending: University of Detroit Mercy

Abdul Bhuiyan
Graduate of Cass Technical High School
College Attending: University of Michigan

L’Lonta Anderson
Graduate of Troy Athens High School
College Attending: Oakland University

Sharmina Bhuiyan
Graduate of Cass Technical High School
College Attending: Wayne State University

Aaron Antonides
Graduate of Warren Woods Tower High School
College Attending: Saginaw Valley State University

Ashlee Bradford
Graduate of University High School
College Attending: Albion College

Kadesha Banks
Graduate of Martin Luther King, Jr. Senior High School
College Attending: Western Michigan University

Langston Brannon-Pugh
Graduate of Madison High School
College Attending: Clarkson University
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Kaja Braziel
Graduate of the Detroit School of Arts
College Attending: Albion College

Paige Driscoll
Graduate of Cass Technical High School
College Attending: Wilberforce University

Blake Calhoun
Graduate of Renaissance High School
College Attending: Undecided

LaSherryn Duncan
Graduate of Cass Technical High School
College Attending: University of Michigan

Edward Davis
Graduate of Renaissance High School
College Attending: Michigan State University

Shanice Eaton
Graduate of Pontiac High School
College Attending: Western Michigan University

Ted Dong
Graduate of Rochester High School
College Attending: Oakland University

Tatiana Franklin
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College Attending: Oakland University
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Graduate of Cass Technical High School
College Attending: Michigan State University

Evan Guzman
Graduate of Brandon High School
College Attending: Oakland Community College

Brianna Graves
Graduate of Madison High School
College Attending: Kellogg Community College

Anthony Harris
Graduate of Cranbrook Kingswood School
College Attending: Denison University

Donte Green
Graduate of Cass Technical High School
College Attending: Western Michigan University

Shannon Herring
Graduate of Southeastern High School
College Attending: University of Michigan

Joel Grissom
Graduate of Cranbrook Kingswood School
College Attending: Ohio Wesleyan University

Dajashinair Howard
Graduate of Berkley High School
College Attending: Michigan State University
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Graduate of Cranbrook Kingswood School
College Attending: University of Michigan

Mary Moua
Graduate of Waterford Mott High School
College Attending: Oakland Community College

Demetrius Patillo
Graduate of the Henry Ford Academy
College Attending: Central Michigan University

Olivia Pearson
Graduate of Fitzgerald High School
College Attending: Undecided

Kiandra Pittman
Graduate of Avondale High School
College Attending: Undecided

Jaylin Pitts
Graduate of Mount Clemens High School
Will be enlisting in the United States Marine Corps

Keon Ray
Graduate of Renaissance High School
College Attending: University of Michigan

Alexis Shirane
Graduate of the Detroit School of Arts
College Attending: College of Southern Nevada
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Jenae Thompkins-Rutland
Graduate of Crockett High School
College Attending: Hampton University

Amber Wesley
Graduate of Cranbrook Kingswood School
College Attending: University of Michigan

Ebonie Williams
Graduate of Kettering High School
College Attending: Albion College
New things are happening in HUB. Winter phase has been enhanced and the summer phase has more good things to follow.

During HUB winter phase, schedules changed providing a Saturday “class day” much like regular school. Teachers focused on math, English, and science skills. Students also experienced a “Life Skills” curriculum which included outside speakers and practical conversations about safe use of technology and best practices with study skills. One session featured MTV Twitter Jockey Gabi Greg, who is a Cranbrook alum from the class of 2004. The juniors underwent a comprehensive ACT preparation course throughout winter phase. Sophomores are currently taking the same course.

The summer phase is going to be even more exciting. Dr. Taylor met with the juniors to share the innovations on the horizon. These new initiatives include: a dedicated physical education program, weekend programming, and changes in the program day. The physical education program will include a Tai Chi class, focus on nutrition and work on a community garden. Students will learn about nutrition and appreciate the link to academic performance.

Another change will occur in the scheduling of study hall. Study period will take place during the day and during the evening. These will be opportunities for interns to take a more active role in extra help and tutoring. This will also allow students to finish classroom work during the designated time in the dorms.

HUB is going through some changes and from this student’s view, they seem for the better!

**HUB STUDENTS’ HONORS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**Jeremy Stevens** (on right) received first place honors in the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association’s recent solo and ensemble competition. Jeremy plays the double bass and is a freshman at Winans Academy.

**HUB junior Wesley Mathews** (on left) plays the wing/defenseman position for #1 in the nation Allen Park Huskies hockey team. He attends Cass Technical High School and has a 3.5 GPA.
HUB Program Administrator
Barbara Vettel Honored as 2011 Diversity Champion

On April 28, 2011, long-time HUB administrator Barbara “Barb” Vettel was recognized as a Diversity Champion at the 12th Annual Diversity Champion Honor Roll by the Race Relations and Diversity Task Force, a sponsored group of the Community House in Birmingham, Michigan. HUB assistant director Debra Whiting submitted the following nomination:

“Barbara Vettel epitomizes the qualities of a Diversity Champion. For over 25 years, she has served as the Program Manager for Cranbrook Schools Horizons-Upward Bound (HUB). She oversees the admissions process, manages the budget and ensures compliance with federal regulations. However, “Barb” is not just an administrator, she is a fierce advocate for all the students, regardless of race, creed or national origin, always putting their interests first. She has become the voice and face of HUB, maintaining contact over the years with many HUB alumni. She truly embodies the ideals of the program and upholds the premise that children from economically disadvantaged backgrounds can achieve academically if given the same opportunity as those from more privileged circumstances.”

Congratulations!

HUB Student Leaders

by Demasi Darby, H’12, LaSherryn Duncan, H’11 and Shannon Herring, H’11

Keon Ray is a senior in the Horizons-Upward Bound program. He will graduate from Renaissance High School and attend the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor in the fall. He has been committed to his involvement in the community. He is currently involved in French Honors Club, National Honors Society, JROTC, and Habitat for Humanity. Keon feels that is important to exhibit leadership skills to help someone else like someone helped him. He stands by this quote, “Leadership doesn’t only give you a sense of worthiness, but it also allows people to achieve just as highly as you.”

Mariah Hill, a rising junior at Southeastern High School, is in the Skills USA- Michigan Chapter, State Officer, Michigan Government, a member of the National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, and she is the President of the Science Club. She says, “It takes a leader to show what the village has taught.”

Brianna Pannell is a rising senior at John J. Pershing high school in Detroit, where she is representing Horizons-Upward Bound to the fullest. Brianna has always had leadership abilities and she is putting them to work with all of the extra-curricular activities that she is a part of. She was voted HUB Student Council Secretary during 2010’s summer phase. At her home school, Brianna was recently inducted into the National Honor Society, which requires a grade point average of at least a 3.2, which Brianna is well above. Brianna is also a member of Pershing’s softball team and has a marketing job in Detroit. What Brianna loves more, however, than all of these other groups is her position with the AJROTC program at Pershing, where Brianna serves as the liaison officer. Brianna is not the only one from HUB with great leadership roles and skills; however, she is one of the more outstanding ones!
The Horizons-Upward-Bound program is not an isolated one. Its members constantly look for ways to interact with society. Both staff and students actively engage with the community and HUB has recently taken several steps that help towards this cause.

During the summer of 2010, HUB offered several of its finest to join with several of Cranbrook Kingswood’s finest to create the Bridging the Divide (BTD) group. This group grew out of a Student Leadership Retreat workshop which developed plans to advance community engagement and bring people of different backgrounds together. The efforts continue to build upon themselves. Outreach has connected HUB students with the Clark Park Coalition and has developed even more innovative programming.

HUB students are not the only beneficiaries. Younger students, grades 5 through 8, from City Mission have recently been spending their Saturdays at the Cranbrook campus with HUB in a new initiative. During their stay, the young students are tutored by a group of HUB seniors, handpicked by the director, Dr. Taylor. The tutoring covers the general academic disciplines: mathematics, English and science.

Not all of the training has gone to pre-college students. HUB has always worked with interns from colleges and universities who work in the dorms or in the classrooms. This has been an excellent way to have an impact on the educational community, especially those who want to be teachers. During the winter phase, Tom Butwin, a graduate student at Oakland University, was introduced to the HUB program. For some weeks in the late winter phase, Tom has shadowed HUB English teacher Carla Young working primarily with the senior English classes. Tom aspires to be a teacher and volunteers his time to that end. Adam Gumushian, CK’11, no stranger to HUB after his tennis instruction initiative this summer, has also been spending his Saturday mornings with HUB students. His interest in peer support has made him an effective tutor and mentor. The support of the CK Math Club has also made a difference in the winter phase program. Additionally, HUB advisory board member Brian LaFerriere has provided instruction in financial literacy for HUB seniors.

HUB is constantly looking for new ways to interact with the community and build its reputation as a program that gives back. It is very likely that within a few years, there will be considerable progress with HUB’s connection with the world and many new initiatives, so keep our name in mind for the future.
1st Annual HUB Golf Classic

June 18th, 2011

For Golfers and Non-golfers — Donation: $95 ($32 is tax-deductible)

7:30 a.m. Registration ~ 8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

Golfers Pkg: 18 holes of golf w/cart · Snack at the Turn · Lunch · Prizes
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