Upward Bound Executive Summary

The results of the learning outcomes for the Upward Bound Program for the 2008-2009 academic year are as follows. The information was collected throughout the academic year (September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009) in the Blumen Database and then reported to the Department of Education via the Upward Bound Annual Performance Report (APR). The Upward Bound Program is funded to serve 60 participants. Although 60 students were successfully recruited, only 56 (93%) were successfully served. Of the 10 senior participants served, 100% achieved a proficient level on state assessments in reading/language arts and math. Of the 9th, 10th, and 11th grade participants (a total of 46) served, 45 will continue to participate with the project in the upcoming yielding a retention rate of 98%. Of the eleven (11) summer “Bridge” participants (10 seniors and one junior (early graduate)), 8 enrolled in a program of post-secondary education in the fall 2009 semester. Upward Bound was successful in accomplishing 3 of the 4 objectives. The Upward Bound Program will use the data results to make improvements and enhance the program’s services for student success in the areas of retention, graduation and post-secondary enrollment.