# THE WICHITA STAR

The Student Newsletter for Upward Bound Math Sceince at WSU

#### **Message from the Director**

#### By Mr. Derrick Veasey

I cannot believe this year is almost over! I want to continue to be positive and dedicated to your educational goals. We the UBMS staff want to help you through this uncertain time. Remember we are just a phone call, text, or email away!

Seniors we are proud to see that the majority of you have applied to a variety of colleges and also completed your FAFSA. Now let's kick it up a notch and get all the scholarship money you can! It's yours for the taking. It seems tedious to write essays for all the different scholarships you will be applying for but it will be worth it when you don't have to worry about saving for a rainy day while you are in college.

UBMS students, the staff understands that you are busy with lots of other priorities besides school. We want you to continue your commitment to the UBMS program. When you initially committed yourself to the program, the UBMS staff pledged to help you to the end of the program and we are truly here to make that possible. All we ask is that you hang in there through the good, the bad, and the ugly. We pledge to hold your hand and honor your success.

So please don't give up and continue to march on to your goal and academic success moving toward the 2023 school year. I want to wish you and your family Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year! See you in 2023

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GOOD THINGS COME IN GOOD TIME

# SATURDAY SESSION

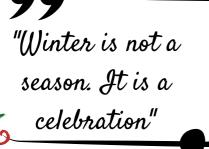
## FAFSA Finish Line:

Each year in October, UBMS puts on a FAFSA Finish Line to help our seniors complete their financial aid applications. This year all of our local seniors and many of their parents showed up to complete their FAFSA with the help of Wichita State University's Financial Aid Department. Kansas City, Kansas also participated in their own FAFSA Finish Line, with the help of Kansas City, Kansas Community College's Financial Aid Department. Great job showing up seniors and parents!











# **Community Service**

### **Back2School Community Service**

STUDENTS THIS PAST AUGUST, WERE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 7TH ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD BACK TO A SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY HOSTED BY LAUNCHPAD, A COMMUNITY CENTER FOCUSED ON WORKING WITH YOUTH AND GUIDING THEM TO NEW EXPERIENCES AND EXPLORATION. STUDENTS CAREER MANED Α UBMS **INFORMATION BOOTH HELPED SET** UP AND MONITOR GAMES FOR CHILDREN TO PLAY AND MONITORED LITTLE ONES AT THE BOUNCE HOUSE. THIS WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE FOR OUR STUDENTS TO GIVE BACK AND WE HOPE TO CONTINUE TO PARTNER WITH LAUNCHPAD IN THE FUTURE!





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# ADVANCED ROBOTICS

This year we continued our robotics workshops taught by Drew Coleman. Students learned the fundamentals of robotics and how to make the robots move.





# SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

## Class of 2023 has been accepted into:



### Marie Hutchins

Kansas State University Pittsburgh State University Park University



### Diego Tavares

Butler Community College Wichita State University



### Robert Nicolas

Kansas City Kansas Community College University of Kansas

"Your Positive action combined with positive thinking results in success"

## <u>Scholarships</u>

- https://www.growyourgiving.org/scholarshi ps/
- https://www.nitrocollege.com/nitroscholarship-application
- https://www.cocacolascholarsfoundation.org/apply/
- https://www.campusreel.org/scholarships/l ocation/kansas-scholarships
- https://bold.org/scholarships/collegexpress
  -no-essay-scholarship
- https://scholarshipowl.com/

#### HOW TO GET A SCHOLARSHIP: 10 TIPS FOR SUCCESS

Incoming college students want to know how to get scholarships to pay for school. The good news is that there are thousands of great scholarships out there, and all you need to do is apply. Here are a few simple tips to help you find scholarships that can lower your college costs.

- 1. Start early
- 2. Use a scholarship matching tool.
- 3. Lean on your advisor.
- 4. Tap into your network.
- 5. Polish your online presence.
- 6. Look beyond your grades.
- 7. Collect letters of recommendation.
- 8. Apply for MANY scholarships! Big and small!
- 9. Write a great essay.
- 10. Practice your interview skills.

# Refer-A-Friend

We are recruiting! If you know someone who may be interested in the program please refer them! You have the chance to earn \$5.00 per referral. The student must complete 60-day probation and fully participate in the program.

The student you refer must meet the following criteria:

- First Generation and/or Low income.
- Freshmen or Sophomore in high school.
- Must be from the same high school or community.

Please direct your referral to: <u>https://bit.ly/3lgrO3t</u>

## **TIPS FOR SUCCESS:**

#### 10 TIPS:

- 1. Set realistic goals!
- 2. Break down tasks and monitor your progress
- 3. Learn from your mistakes
- 4. Don't be afraid to ask questions!
- 5. Practice time management!
- 6. Develop positive relationships with your teachers
- 7. Know and use your campus resources.
- 8. Practice time management!
- 9. Honesty is the best policy
- 10. Remember to have fun

An investment in knowledge pays the best interest

### <u>BIRTHDAYS:</u>



K'lynn Lawrence - 01/01/2007 Ariyana Norphlet - 01/04/2007 Armando Ortiz - 01/10/2008 Angel Salas - 01/13/2008 Ashley Portillo-Gomez - 1/14/2008 Jose Urbina Renteria - 1/14/2006 Nakayah Smith - 1/28/2008 Ethan Leiker - 2/10/2006 Brenda Guzman-Zarazua - 2/11/2005 Santana Richard - 2/27/2005 Chaney Beights 2/28/2005 Timothy Stroud - 2/28/2008 Wendy Escoto-Padilla - 3/9/2006 Diego Tavares - 3/16/2005 Paola Rodriguez - 3/21/2008 Chance Johnson - 4/1/2007 Clarence Brown - 4/7/2005 Alanna Comer - 4/15/2008 Juan Flores-Hernandez - 4/17/2007 Chloe Chanthavong 4/23/2005 Jackson Perkins 4/23/2007 Gracie Smith 5/3/2008 Mariela Ortiz-Delrio - 5/23/2007 Robert Nicolas-Estrada - 5/26/2005

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### SATURDAY SESSIONS:

J<u>ANUARY 7:</u> LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

J<u>ANUARY 21:</u> WSU FITNESS AND NUTRITION

<u>FEBRUARY 4:</u> LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

FEBRUARY 18: RELATIONSHIP WELLNESS

> MARCH 4: MENTAL WELLNESS

> > MARCH 25: STEM FAIR

<u>APRIL 8:</u> THE ART OF DISCIPLINE #2 <u>APRIL 29:</u> END OF YEAR CELEBRATION

<u>MAY 13:</u> LAST SATURDAY SESSION OF ACADEMIC YEAR