

TRiO Newsletter

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Wallace Community College

Upward Bound Visits Utah

Special Edition

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Upward Bound students from Wallace Community College, who took part in the Jump Start program, traveled to Salt Lake City, Utah during August. The group included: Dashon Cromwell, Jerrell Young, Riley Ross, Brittany Summers, Brittany Paige, Chelsea Ayeni, Charla Pugh, Katelynn Johnson, Breanna McCray, Tahjmare Dale with their chaperones, Mr. Mickey Baker, Director of Upward Bound, Mrs. Mary Pearl Morris, and Ms. Jertavia Lyman.



Just as with many long trips, this trip began with an airport wait. The students made good use of the time by learning to read the arrival and departure boards.

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The students also used their airport wait to catch up on social media. Left to right are Chelsea Ayeni, Dashon Cromwell, Riley Ross, and Breanna McCray.



Brittany Paige







Charla Pugh

Tahjmare Dale

Katelynn Johnson and Brittany Summers



The Upward Bound students pose on the campus of the University of Utah. Left to right they are: Breanna McCray, Dashon Cromwell, Charla Pugh, Brittany Paige, Jerrell Young, Riley Ross, Katelynn Johnson, Brittany Summers, and Ms. Jertavia Lyman.

Seated in front are: Tahjmare Dale and Chelsea Ayeni.

Upward Bound students and staff embarked on a life time experience traveling to Salt Lake City to meet students at the University of Utah. The primary purpose of the trip was to focus on exploring collaborative efforts among students from different cultures and expand their educational awareness. This experience caused the students to quickly adapt to an unexpectedly diverse group of students with challenges like theirs. Like our UB students, the Utah students were enrolled in a Jump Start program designed to bridge from high school to college by taking similar collegiate courses such as Ethics and Society. This collaboration created the opportunity to challenge our students to dream beyond the borders of Alabama and become global minded students as they begin their educational pursuit. TRiO really does work, because this picture speaks volumes for this opportunity.

—Mr. Mickey Baker, TRiO Upward Bound and Student Support Services Director

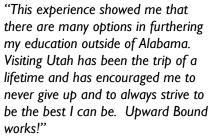
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Upward Bound students tour the University of Utah.



Bowling at the University of Utah with the Utah Jump Start Group



—Brittany Summers

The University of Utah was established in 1850 as the University of Deseret. The name was changed in 1892, four years before Utah became a state. The university has many famous alumni. Among them are Karl Rove, Deputy Chief of staff in the George W. Bush administration; Dr. William DeVries, who performed the first transplant of a totally artificial heart; and Ed Catmull, co-founder of Pixar.



"We were able to meet with another group from Utah. They were pretty cool, and we had fun with them."

—Tahjmare Dale

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Seeing the Sights in Salt Lake City



Upward Bound students pose with the bronze sculpture of a downhill skier near City Creek Center in Salt Lake City. The sculpture is dedicated to the volunteers of the XIX Olympic Winter Games.

Left to right are: Dashon Cromwell, Katelynn Johnson, Brittany Paige, Breanna McCray, Tahjmare Dale, Riley Ross, Jerrell Young, Charla Pugh, Brittany Summers, and Chelsea Ayeni.



Left is the Utah state capitol building in Salt Lake City.

The building on the right was once the Salt Lake City Hall. It is now home to the Utah Office of Tourism and the Utah Film Commission. Charla Pugh poses with a replica of a buffalo.





Mr. Baker, Breanna McCray, and Jerrell Young are ready to board a trolley to see the sights of Salt Lake City.

Among the iconic sites was the Salt Lake Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Temple Square. The temple, completed in 1893, required 40 years to build and is the largest of the LDS temples by floor area.





"I learned how the Mormons founded their own land to practice their beliefs and established a culture that has continued for generations."

—Riley Ross





TRiO on the Wallace Community College Sparks and Dothan Campuses is made up of three programs: Student Support Providing Hope Services, Upward Bound and Talent Search. They are federally

funded programs by the U. S. Department of Education that provide support and opportunity for eligible students-middle school through college.

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"Don't let the noise of other's opinions drown out your own inner voice. And most important, have the courage to follow your heart and intuition. They somehow already know what you truly want to become. Everything else is secondary."

-Steve Jobs 2005





No TRiO trip is complete without new dining experiences.









Salt Lake City police welcome TRiO Upward Bound students from Alabama

