

OUTCOMES. . .

- By the end of the program participants will indicate that they intend to further their education beyond their high school graduation
- Participants will take the ACT college entrance examination prior to the start of or completion of their high school senior year
- An increase by an aggregate average of 2 points of the ACT test scores for students that complete the prep training as measured by pre- and post tests
- Parents of the students who complete the training will receive education and instruction pertaining to the application process for financial aid (FAFSA, scholarships, loans, etc.)
- Participants will visit at least three college campuses prior to the start of or completion of their high school senior year



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COLLEGE BOUND. . .

Operation REACH, Inc. (ORI) developed the College Bound Program to ensure that underserved and low-wealth students are not denied access to college solely because of financial obstacles or because of their college entrance exam scores. Our objectives are to expose students and their families to the college experience (deciding on a college to attend, admissions process, financial aid opportunities, etc.), offer individualized tutoring sessions to improve academic performance, and increase ACT scores.



The College Bound program is made up of several inter-locking components:

Saturday workshops: Every Saturday for six weeks, College Bound students participate in ACT preparation and college preparation workshops. Workshops take place at Xavier University to expose College Bound students to a university campus.

Parent workshops: The College Bound program provides a workshop for parents on the college application process and common financial aid questions to address fears particularly for the parents of first generation college students.

College tours: Each class of College Bound students will take a tour of colleges and universities in the State of Louisiana, working with College Bound staff to identify their interests and factors in choosing an appropriate college or university.

Mentoring: College Bound students are assigned individual college student mentors who will provide one-on-one support and assistance to their mentees.

Registering for the ACT: To complete the program, every student is required to register to take the ACT college entrance examination.



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