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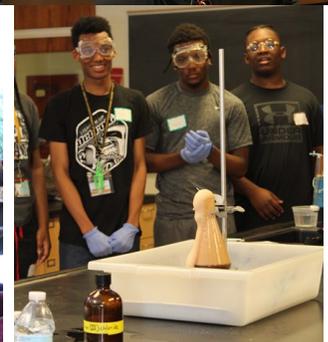
Geraldine E. Graham, Director

When the bus dropped us off after the final field trip, PUB had completed its **53rd consecutive Summer Academy!** I am honored to have participated in 29 of those summers, five as Assistant Director the rest as Director. And consistent with this year's theme, the 2019 Summer Academy was both "Turn't Up" and "Tuned In." So come with me on this trip down memory lane 2019 . . .

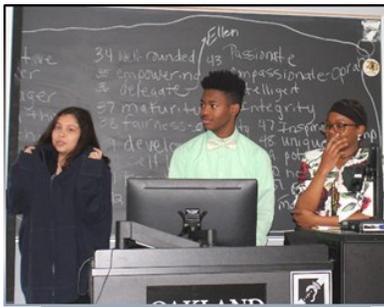
Of course our primary reason for being here is **academic** enrichment. So first things first: **87% of Summer Scholars earned A/B Honor Roll status** and **73% improved their SAT proficiency scores.** To the 13% still striving, PUB is in the trenches with you. Attending College Club can make a huge difference.

TURN'T UP 'n Tuned In

The 2019 PUB Summer Academy in Review



For the first time in several years, the 2018-2019 academic year calendars of all of PUB's target schools ended at the same time! That meant no staggered Summer Academy start dates; so everything was turn't up from day one. In the first week during PUB's **career-oriented Leadership Development Institute**, the natural student leaders rose to the top. Others needed a little more coaching, coaxing, and encouragement; but they eventually began to test the leadership waters.



Allen Orozco-Aguirre, Adrian Wilson Jr., DaMerra Douglas



Joeli Santiago, Cynthia Evans



Tranyce Ellis, Da'Ron Guthery, Tumani Wahhab



Desarae Carroll, Soren Garcia, Daryl Seay, Aiyanna Winston



Isa'Nique Hall-Etchen, Inyia Beck, Genard King, Jakayla Riddle

Ghost stories and s'mores around the campfire - always a great way to kick off the summer **social** calendar. Swimming, basketball, and racquetball helped lower stress levels; and the Bear Cave games room addressed the needs of less physically active Scholars. Wednesday night visits from parents and siblings were always welcomed; and **Family Day** helped fight off home sickness. But that nightly 75-minute **cell phone use** period was most popular of all! Topping off the social scene were the "**Final Exam Blow-Out**" where Scholars enjoyed an off-campus meal and a games night, and the **Pamper Party** – manicures and facials in preparation for the big trip!



Bear Cave



Swimming

The 2019 PUB Summer Academy in Review Cont . . .



S'Mores



Pamper Party



Family Day



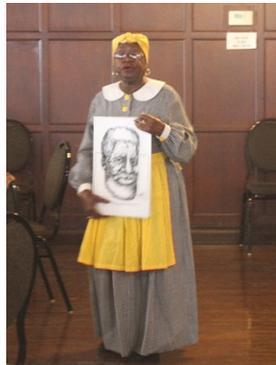
Dave & Busters



Excursions into **culture** enriched PUB's Summer Academy programming. PUB's "Classroom on Wheels" experiences included immersion into the **Underground Railroad Living Museum** literally on the underground level of First Congregational Church of Detroit; touring historic **Meadow Brook Hall** right here on Oakland University's campus – both on the National Register of Historic Places – then touring and chatting with a survivor at the **Holocaust Memorial Center** in Farmington Hills. First time summer Scholars experienced their first **PUB Etiquette Dinner** while returning Scholars assisted in delivering the etiquette presentation.



Etiquette Dinner



Underground Railroad



Holocaust Memorial



SeaLife Aquarium



Meadow Brook Hall



Freedom Walk Tour



A big hit this summer was the **"Say It with Music" workshop**. Who can resist the opportunity to be a star . . . if only for a day? Scholars were able to individually express their thoughts and feelings (first in writing and then orally) from which they **created a rap CD**. After that experience, Scholars seemed more confident, more positive, and better able to focus on learning. That CD has now become the background for some of PUB's marketing presentations. The SIWM facilitators applauded PUB Scholars for doing in the 3 days preceding the Independence Day Holiday what some professionals are unable to do in 10 days or more. Scholars were proud of their work and the PUB Team was elated with their accomplishments.



"Say it with Music"



Rounding out summer highlights were the **Weekly Star Ceremonies** to reward Scholars' PUB-appropriate behavior, **Parent Appreciation Day**, and the **Scholars' stage performances**. They sang, danced, shared spoken word, and presented their electives showcase to an audience of about 500 at the annual scholarship event. And, of course, they did the writing, production, and acting associated with their annual stage performance this year entitled "PUB School" and presented on the stage of Meadow Brook Theatre.



Stage Performance



Lady DJs

Weekly Star Ceremony



TLC



Crimson Stars



Team Titans



Resilient Nine



Scholars express "Why I appreciate my parent"

Parent Appreciation Day



Mr. Carl and "Crimson Stars" with Tasha Page-Lockhart (center)

GOSPEL EXPLOSION
Flagstar Strand Theatre
July 18, 2019

Featuring
BET's Sunday Best Winner
Tasha Page-Lockhart



PUB Choir at Annual Gospel Explosion



Academic Games
Winning Teams



2ND PLACE

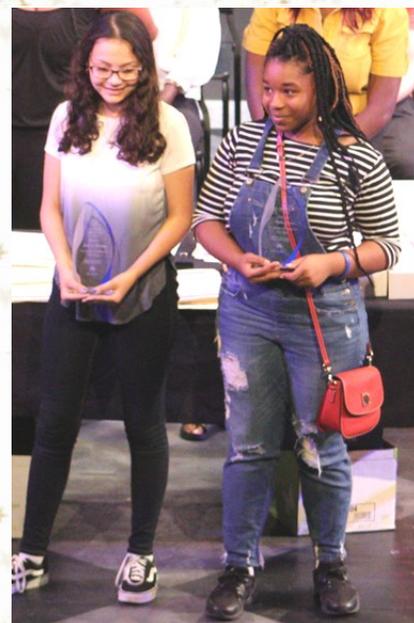


1ST PLACE

3RD PLACE



The **Summer Academy Awards** program was the “icing on the cake;” then off on the summer trip to explore New England college campuses and sites of cultural, historical, and social significance. Through it all, Summer Scholars’ excitement level was turn’t up and they were tuned in to learning.



“Greg Dokes Performing Arts” Award

Joeli Santiago and Kyliya Evans



Joeli Santiago receiving the “Spirit of Upward Bound” Award from Ms. Graham



Tranyce Ellis and Tumani Wahhab received the “Residential Role Model” Awards

ACADEMY AWARDS



Octavio Alvarez Hernandez receiving the “Academic Distinction” Award from Mrs. McDowell



PUB Drama II Teacher Renee Blunt and PUB Alum Cameron Blunt congratulate Tumani Wahhab



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HARVARD UNIVERSITY



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JFK MUSEUM



All this will not be finished
in the first one hundred days.
Nor will it be finished
in the first one thousand days,
nor in the life
of this Administration,
nor even perhaps
in our lifetime on this planet.
But let us begin.

Inaugural Address

BOSTON TEA PARTY SHIP



ARLINGTON CEMETERY



CAPITOL



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LIBERTY BELL





GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY



ROCKY BALBOA STEPS



GHOST TOUR



INDEPENDENCE HALL

Greetings PUB Family!

As most of you know, my time as the Graduate Assistant here at PUB is winding down. But I didn't just get to experience the Graduate Assistant position. I have held several other positions here in the Project, most recently Head Resident of Summer Academy 2019. Let me start by saying - whew! What a ride that was. Many nights I laid awake in my dorm room down the hall from the mentors and scholars thinking "wow I am responsible for over 40 young people." No pressure right? Wrong! It wasn't always easy having to be the most responsible, the oldest mentor, or the boss. Some days I wanted to sleep in; other days I wanted to relax on one of the hammocks and read a book by the lake outside. I look back on the adventure now, proud. Because even though I thought it was a big challenge - I stepped up to face it. I preach to PUB Scholars about developing their leadership skills and finding their own leadership styles. In Summer Academy 2019 I had to find my own in a way I had never experienced before.



Shayla McCullough

I am happy to have had this experience in my last summer with the Project. I admired the previous Head Residents for being able to successfully get through a Summer Academy, and now I can say I am one of those Head Residents.

I am thankful to say that in Summer Academy 2019 we made music, we made memories, we made traditions that'll last forever, we made bonds that will last a lifetime, and we all - including me - made ourselves into better leaders coming out of summer 2019 than we were going in.



FROM THE ACADEMIC COORDINATOR



Ava McDowell
Academic Coordinator

An old saying goes, “It’s only through change that we grow.” Considering all of the changes PUB is experiencing, you could say that PUB is growing by leaps and bounds!

Classroom on Wheels!! Summer Academy 2019 saw the return of PUB’s legendary Classroom on Wheels, a weekly Friday educational field

trip highlighting different aspects of society, culture, and academics. This year’s trips to the Underground Railroad Museum and Holocaust Memorial Center taught powerful lessons about the social and cultural climates of those times in history. PUB Scholars also had a STEM workshop about different species of fish and invertebrates at the SeaLife Aquarium at Great Lakes Crossing, and then finished with a tour of Meadowbrook Hall, learning about how the Wilson-Dodge (dairy-auto) family lived, and the importance of Meadowbrook Hall in American architecture and as a national historic site.



Sea Life Aquarium

Summer Academy II: Newly admitted PUB Scholars had an opportunity to experience a taste of Summer Academy during PUB’s new Summer Academy II programming. This two weeks of half-days added onto PUB’s classic six-week residential summer was led by PUB College Success Coach Mrs. Doris Roberson. SALL introduced new PUB Scholars to PUB and to Oakland University while preparing them for the social, cultural, and academic adjustments they would need



to make to be successful in high school. New PUB Scholars who participated in SALL reported feeling much more prepared for high school and were looking forward to their first day.

The New Saturday Academy!! With PUB’s impending move across campus, Saturday Academy is also changing into a new and exciting format. PUB will meet one Saturday each month for a mini-conference that will run from 8:30am to 3pm. Scholars will have workshops in math/science, English/language, Financial Literacy, and college and career planning. And there will still be programming for parents! Each session will have the monthly Parent Association meeting, with the opportunity for afternoon sessions with topics ranging from tips on supporting student learning to help understanding SAT scores. This new once-monthly schedule reflects Scholars’ suggestion to stay longer on one Saturday in exchange for having their other Saturdays free.



2019-2020 College Club Officers/PUB Student Council

HIGH SCHOOL	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	PEER RELATIONS COORDINATOR
Arts & Technology Academy (ATAP)	DaRon Guthery	Available	Available	Available
Avondale HS	Adrian Wilson, Jr.,	Kylia Evans	Delilah Clark	Shania Burkett
International Tech Academy (ITA)	Shalom Byrd	Evante’ Crenshaw	Johanna Ramos	Troy Byrd II
Oak Park HS	Briauna Travis	Tumani Wahhab	Dana Russell	Destiny Ballard
Pontiac Academy for Excellence (PAE)	Soren Garcia	Damerra Douglas	Available	Available
Pontiac HS	Destiny Jackson	Keyila Hollis	Tranyce Ellis	Kaden Hamilton





FROM THE PROJECT ADVISOR



As Project Director, it is my pleasure to welcome Mr. Adam Harris to the PUB Administrative Team. Mr. Harris joined us as Project Advisor on Monday, September 23 and has already contributed great ideas and made strong connections with some PUB Scholars. He brings with him a wealth of experience working with youth as well as the energy and enthusiasm to help motivate PUB Scholars to achieve their goals. Presenting Mr. Adam Harris in his own words . . .



Adam Harris
Project Advisor

Happy Fall Season PUB Scholars!

Welcome to the 2019-2020 School year!

I consider this opportunity a huge honor and privilege to serve you as you prepare for college in the near future. As many of you may already know, Project Upward Bound is the longest serving com-

munity initiative in Oakland University's history; 53 years and counting. That's what I call legacy and tradition. I am truly humbled to serve all of our Scholars in this capacity, and I can't wait to meet all of you.

My excitement for this role comes from a well of energy in knowing firsthand the capabilities and potential of youth throughout Metropolitan Detroit. Over the past several years, I have served in several roles to motivate, inspire and encourage young people like yourselves. I am always in awe of the determined spirit that youth have throughout metro Detroit. When I meet all of you soon, I plan to tell you more about who I am and why I consider this new venture in my career a dream opportunity. However, at this moment, I will share with you **my 3 personal goals for working with you this year**. They are

To assist you . . .

- On your high school journey of reaching your potential.
- With understanding college expectations and how to prepare for college.
- With personal growth and development.

If you consider the goals that I have mentioned above, you should know that my energy, efforts and time spent

with you throughout the academic year will always be in alignment with accomplishing those 3 goals every time we meet. In addition, you should also notice that my personal goals align with the goals of Project Upward Bound. At the end of the day, **my purpose and mission as the Project Advisor is to develop and create ways that will best serve you and the PUB Academy in your development in preparation for college.**

With all that I have said above, I can't wait to begin working with you during this academic school year. We are winding down 2019, and we will experience together a historic year where we turn over another decade into 2020; a year of vision. I am excited to get to know all of you on this journey, and I am thrilled to assist you in reaching your full potential. Thank you in advance for kindly welcoming me aboard!

Sincerely,
Adam Harris

Message for Scholars:

With the 2019-2020 academic school year underway, Scholars make sure you are giving full effort toward your academic studies. I will be meeting with many of you soon to establish your **Student Success Plans**. Also, please contact me if you are a senior who did not attend the FAFSA workshop after PUB Orientation on Saturday, October 26th and/or haven't yet submitted your FAFSA.

Any PUB Scholars who are interested in applying for the **MI-CAPP Scholarships**, please make sure to ask our Academic mentors for assistance during College Club afterschool. They are willing to help you with writing your essay for the scholarship, and assisting with any additional information for the scholarship you may not understand.

Lastly, if there are any PUB Scholars who have completed at least a summer and a full academic year in the program and you would like to serve on the **Admission's Interview Committee**, please email me at adamharris@oakland.edu. We have a few slots to fill up our program to capacity. The hours you serve can also count toward community service time.



PUB WELCOMES ALUMNI TO OU!



Xeng Cheng

Freshman Grizzlies



Andrew Edwards



Ashley Mosley



Paige Watkins

Returning Undergraduate Grizzlies



Wang Chang



Nou Cheng



Cameron Clark



Joshua Davis



Christopher Dowell



Melany Giron



Nezerena Graves



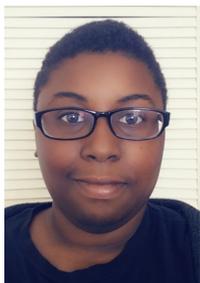
Mariah Kelley



Ariana Louris



Lisandro Munoz



Kayla Murphy



Mariane Oliver



Bianca Sanders



Taylor Smith

Photos unavailable for:

- Skylar Clark
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2019 / 2020 ACADEMIC YEAR PREVIEW

PUB COLLEGE CLUB

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>TIME & DAYS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
International Technology Acad	2:30 – 4:30 p.m., Mondays	Room N16/17
Arts & Technology Academy	3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Mondays	Room 206
Avondale High School	2:30 – 4:30 p.m., Tuesdays	Room D12
Pontiac High School	2:30 – 4:30 p.m., Tuesdays	Room C7
Pontiac Academy for Excellence	3:15 – 5:15 p.m., Wednesdays	Room 109
Oak Park High School	3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Thursdays	Media Center

PUB SATURDAY ACADEMY

<u>PLACE/TIME</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>
Oakland University 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Oakland Center	2	7	11	15	14 28

PUB CLUB

<u>SCHOOL/TIME/PLACE</u>	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>APR</u>
Tuesdays: Avondale High School 9:00 a.m., Media Center	10/8	11/12	12/10	1/14	2/11	3/10	4/14
Wednesdays: International Technology Academy 10:00 a.m. Room: E28	TBD	11/20	12/18	1/15	2/19	3/18	4/15
Wednesdays: Arts & Technology Academy 10:40 a.m. Room 209	10/9	11/13	12/11	1/15	2/12	3/11	4/15
Thursdays: Oak Park High School 9:00 a.m., Media Center	10/10	11/14	12/12	1/16	2/13	3/12	4/16
Thursdays: Oak Park Freshman Institute 9:55 a.m., Choir Room	N/A	11/21	12/19	1/23	TBD	3/19	4/16
Fridays: Pontiac Academy for Excellence 8:30 a.m., Computer Lab	10/18	11/22	12/20	1/17	2/21	3/20	4/17
Fridays: Pontiac High School 11:15 a.m., Room C-7	10/18	11/22	12/20	1/17	2/21	3/20	4/17

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2019 PUB Graduation & Recognition Celebration



Andrew Edwards receives the
Director's Mark of Excellence Award

Ashley Adams receives the
"Tool Box" Award



Social Media Update

#OUPUB is taking over the internet one social media platform at a time! Our first big change will be converting our Facebook page over to a business page allowing us to add events, post polls, and engage with Facebook users and non-users. That is right, coming January 2020 you will not have to have a Facebook page to view ours anymore!

In an attempt to become more online friendly, we will be using email communication with PUB Parents and Scholars to keep you all in the loop and up to date on all things PUB. Please reach out to Ms. Shayla (sdmccull@oakland.edu) to get the link to the contact form to be added to the PUB contact list. You will find that these emails are extremely interactive; click on the links to engage in more information, and click on the social media icons to follow us on other sites. All of this can be done from your emails so make sure you sign up to be a part of the #OUPUB takeover!

Be sure to use the hashtag, #OUPUB, so we can find one another's posts online and like, share, comment, and retweet!