



COMMUNITY SCOOP

7 Steps for Decision-Making

Identify the Decision

Gather Needed Information

Identify alternatives

Analyze Your Alternatives

Select the Best Option for You

Impliment the Decision

Review and Analyze Impacts

Monday Sessions:
November 10, 2025
January 26, 2026
February 23, 2026*
March 9, 2026
April 13, 2026
April 27, 2026

* February 23 is a make-up date in the event the January session is cancelled

School Visit Policy Update:

If you miss a school visit, it is your responsibility to reach out to staff. In order to get credit (and paid) for the missed visit, you must contact staff by the Sunday after the missed school visit. If you don't contact staff by Sunday, you can't get credit for the missed visit. Newsletters for the previous week will be posted in the Upward Bound BAND every Sunday.

Be sure to sign up for our
Upward Bound Band!



Your life does not get better by chance, it gets better by change.

- Jim Rohn

College Spotlight: Tufts University

Location: Medford, MA

Type: 4 year private

Number of undergraduate students: 7,061

Graduation rate: 93%

Student to Faculty Ratio: 10:1

Average net price: \$33,333

Acceptance rate: 12%

Average ACT of accepted students: 33-35 (some students are outside of this range)

Tufts Tuition Pact

Starting Fall 2026, U.S. undergraduate students from families earning less than \$150,000 will attend Tufts tuition-free! Students from families earning less than \$60,000 per year will receive financial aid with no loans. This may cover expenses included on-campus housing, meals, books and supplies.



Should you take the Science portion of the ACT?

THE SCIENCE SECTION IS NOW OPTIONAL, BUT THERE ARE GOOD REASONS TO KEEP IT ON YOUR TEST.

Boost your STEM path

A strong science score can make your application stand out for competitive STEM majors.

Balance your profile

If your science grades aren't your strongest, a great ACT science score can show your potential.

Stay flexible

Some colleges may require or prefer a science score- even if it's not listed up front. Check to make sure you meet specific requirements!

THE FIVE CRITICAL ELEMENTS OF SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY SERVICE INITIATIVES

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICE



Upward Bound is going to Berea College!

When: October 15-16

We will leave after school on October 15 and you will miss school on October 16

- No Berea students pay tuition! Each student receives a Tuition Promise Scholarship worth over \$200,000 over four years.
- One of 10 work colleges. Every student has a job on campus.
- Voted #1 Best Liberal Arts College and Best Bang for your Buck by *Washington Monthly* in 2024
- 1,513 students, 51% are first generation college students, 9:1 student to faculty ratio.
- Multiple ETSU Upward Bound SGA presidents have attended Berea!



To sign up, email Jessi (nicelyj@etsu.edu) by October 1. Priority will be given to seniors planning to apply to Berea. Remaining spaces can be filled by juniors and sophomores!