UPWARD BOUND & HYSP PARENTS & SENIORS
COLLEGE APP KICK-OFF
Monday, September 10, 2012
6:00 – 7:30 pm
M-I Richardson Auditorium

Sign in – UB and HY
Refreshments available in the back

Welcome – Staff intros (FTs and mentors) & why have a senior/parent kick-off meeting?
6:00 – 6:10 - Stef
- Preparation and discipline
- Working in partnership – advocacy
- Understanding of OUR services
- Reflection on student and parent strengths and struggles and how to be PRO-active
And…a review of what we hope to accomplish tonight.

Questions parents have and questions students have? WRITE OUT on big paper
6:10 – 6:15 - Regina

Small group discussion – group of four – EXPECTATIONS and CONCERNS about taking
action on college this year, then to large group– 6:15 – 6:30 - Stef
- Students share what they expect to be doing this year and if they have a plan to approach
  it. Parents share how they hope to be supportive.
- Share as a large group. Does this seem realistic?
- Concerns – Cost of attendance, readiness for college, keeping up grades, making
decisions, how to keep parents involved, maturity, relationships, coping skills.

Review school year checklist, SERVICES available and workshop dates (all on handouts)
6:30 – 6:40 - Jacob
- see handouts
- What we provide – materials for organizations, letters for application waivers, ACT
  waivers, guidance, fall senior workshops (see schedule), senior mentors (college sts.),
  visits to colleges, talk with college staff, help with scholarship process, senior day

How can parents be supportive?
6:40 – 6:50 – Stef
Review letters, help student make a calendar, help them with organization, help them with online
apps, go along on a college visit. Brainstorm more with both parents and students.

What will distract seniors from applying and managing SENIORITIS!
6:50 – 7:05 – Regina
- Open discussion
- How can seniors be most productive? – time mgt, work with parents, communication
  with our staff, stay disciplined, stay organized. Ask for help. Plan ahead for college
  visits.

Students talk with parents about their goals
7:05 – 7:20 - Stef

Wrap-up – see resource list, college visit list, questions, etc.