

September 2018



Upward Bound Rural students on a tour of Rice University; July 2018

Big Changes. Big Plans. Bigger than ever.

Upward Bound is funded by a federal grant. When the grant was renewed last fall, you may have felt certain growing pains while the program evolved to fit the changes. Change is good, though, and the gears are in motion to bring you a better program than ever before! Our two directors are teaming up and structuring your academic school year with new features designed to help you succeed, including our own podcasts and after school tutoring. Exciting outings are being planned throughout the year, leading up to a Summer you **WON'T** want to miss. If you've slipped with the program lately, now is the time to recommit yourself. Attendance is a **MUST** so make sure to set these dates in your calendar:

September 8th	Dr. Nguyen Griggs & Parent Meeting
October 27th	Community Service Activity
November 17th	Instructional Day
December 2nd	Educational Outing
December 15th	Cultural Outing

Meet your new Upward Bound Director!



Myra Barrera is a graduate of Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, with a B..A. in English with a secondary teaching certification from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, and a M.S. in Curriculum & Instruction.

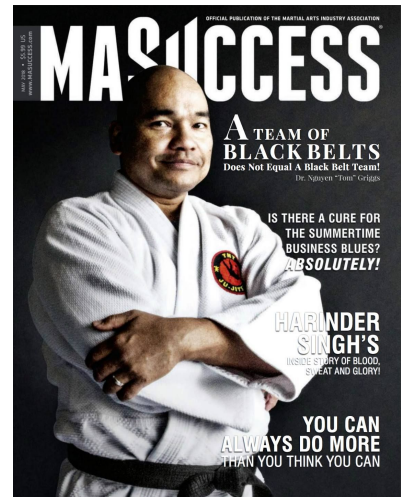
In 2008, Ms. Barrera was named a Gates Millennium Scholar by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Ms. Barrera joins our UB Rural Director, Val Stinson, to create some brand new TRIO collaborations. We're thrilled to have them both and can't wait for the exciting new changes taking place!

September 8th Meeting

As a best-selling author, speaker and Jujitsu expert, Dr. Nguyen Griggs has a lot to share. We are thrilled to have him help kick off our semester (that's a martial arts pun, if you didn't catch it.) In addition to holding black belts in Japanese Jujitsu and karate, Dr. Griggs is a motivational speaker who focuses on verbal and nonverbal communication.

Note: We're celebrating Back to School with a UB T-Shirt give away. We'll be giving away ALL of our old inventory of shirts so come grab some retro UB tees.



Dr. Nguyen Grigg on the cover of MA Success.



TRIO Bowl @ Coastal Bend College on 6/29/18

