SIXTY PATERNON PUBLIC SCHOOLS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS COMPLETE UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM AT RAMAPO COLLEGE

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PATERNON – Paterson Public Schools officials announced today that 60 students from the district’s high schools completed Ramapo College’s Upward Bound program this summer. The program serves motivated students who would be the first in their families to attend college.

“These students have spent a good part of their summer break working hard to prepare for success in college,” said Schools Superintendent Eileen Shafer. “They have been immersed in rigorous classes and they’ve been living in a college environment. That is a tremendous help in demystifying what it’s like to be in college. Most importantly, our students have had a chance to prove to themselves that they can be successful if they choose to pursue higher education.”

The Paterson students spent six weeks living at Ramapo College as they took classes in mathematics, science and English Language Arts. The Upward Bound program is designed to serve students who have the ability to go to college and are willing to put in the work required to get accepted and succeed in college. The program benefits students who may have trouble getting into college because of limited financial or educational resources.

The students participated in the Upward Bound program at no cost to them.

Attached photo: Paterson Public Schools students attend the Upward Bound awards ceremony at Ramapo College.

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