How long do I have to tap into my Dream Scholarship Funds?
Dream Scholars have six years from their high school graduation to use their Dream funds toward higher education costs.

What are the eligibility requirements for this Scholarship program?
- Complete an entire academic year of full-time enrollment in higher education
- Maintain a minimum per semester and cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Keep UB informed of your current address and phone number.
- Keep UB informed of any changes in your college major, especially if you are or will be selecting a Math or Science major (this may affect your scholarship award)
- Submit your complete official college transcript to Upward Bound (UB) by June 1st of each year

Who gets the scholarship money?
Your award goes directly to your institution (unless you have already graduated, in which case it will be sent to you).

How do I know how much money I will get this year?
One quarter of your total escrowed Dream Scholarship funds will be disbursed each year you successfully satisfy the Dream Scholarship requirements, until your funds are exhausted or six years from your high school graduation (whichever comes first). For instance, if you’ve earned a total of $4000.00 for your UB participation, you would get $1000 after the successful completion of one academic year.

What if I major in a math or science academic program?
UB will double your entire scholarship should you be accepted into a Math or Science program, disbursing the added funds during your third and fourth years in school. UB requires an original copy of your acceptance letter into a Math or Science program to determine eligibility for scholarship doubling.

I’ve graduated, what information does Upward Bound now need for me to get my remaining scholarship earnings?
If you have graduated from your institution, please make sure to send us proof of your graduation. If you graduated from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, One Stop Student Services provides a “Certification letter” that confirms your graduation. If you did not graduate from the U of M, you will be required to provide similar documentation from your institution. A copy of your college diploma will not be accepted as a proof of graduation.

What happens if I fail to meet the eligibility requirements?
Failure to meet the eligibility requirements could lead to forfeiture of scholarship money, something we would very much like to avoid.

Who do I call if I have any further questions regarding the Dream Scholarship?
Please call the Dream Scholarship coordinator, Elizabeth Nelson at 612-624-0865 or email her at echa0001@umn.edu.