



UNIVERSITY of MARYLAND  
SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

# **A Bridge to Academic Excellence**

**PARENT/STUDENT ORIENTATION**

**2023-2024**



[studentorg.rx.umaryland.edu/abae/](https://studentorg.rx.umaryland.edu/abae/)

# What is ABAE?

## **Mission**

A Bridge to Academic Excellence's mission is to provide tutoring and mentoring for middle/high school students in the Baltimore Metro area

## **Goals**

ABAE participants are tutored by UMB student volunteers from programs in pharmacy, law, medicine, physical therapy, social work, graduate and dentistry.

- To provide academic support to high school students
- To unite professional school organizations and the high school students so that they can serve as mentors for the students
- To develop a community outreach initiative in which students can actively participate in giving back to the community.
- To plan, coordinate, and implement activities to enhance the interest in and success rate of applicants in the health professions, law and social work

# Executive Board

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# ABAE History

Established in 2000

- Began as community service project for Pharmacy students with 12 students from Patterson High School
- Other professional schools on campus were included by the following semester

Partnerships

- CURE Scholars Programs
- Greater Baltimore Urban League
- Next Gen SWOCOS
- ASCEND Program, Morgan State University

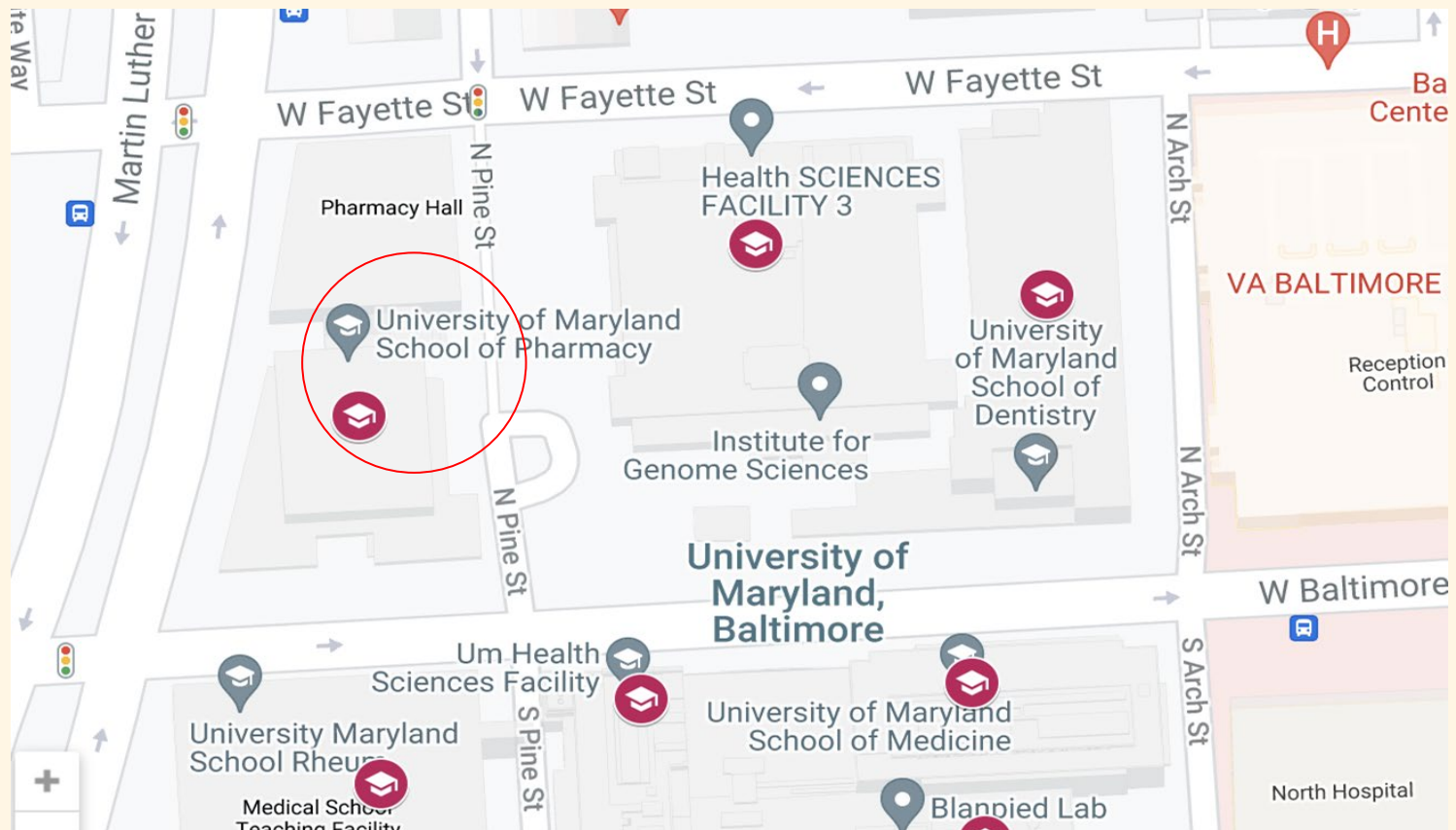


# Tutoring sessions location

Location: Pharmacy Hall at UMB

20 N Pine St., 2nd Floor

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



# Tutoring Procedures

9:45am: Registration opens

- Student Check in
- Bring your student ID for security
- Snacks available

10:00 - 12:00pm: Tutoring

- Tutees go to the assigned subject rooms
- Breaks when needed

12:00pm: Dismissal

- Let staff/officers know if you need to leave early
- Parents/caregivers can stay or pick up

# Expectations of Participants

- Students are expected to **use their class materials and/or homework**. It is mandatory that all students come prepared with homework and questions. The only exception permitted is for those taking SAT classes.
  - Homework, textbook, notes, computer, **questions**
  - Please notify ABAE rep if you need to leave early
  - May switch between rooms/subject
  - Do not use electronics for personal use
- Be **respectful** towards the tutors, your fellow students, and the facilities being used
  - Do not wander the building/leave the tutoring area
- Attendance not mandatory, however we recommend attending at least 5 sessions for maximum benefit

# Attendance

- If UMB, BCPSS or BCPS school systems are closed on Friday due to inclement weather, then Saturday tutoring session will not be held. (Check the UMB Campus Web site: <http://www.umb.edu/alerts> or call 410-706-8622 for weather information).
- Do not come to campus if you are exposed to someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or have symptoms of illness including fever, vomiting, diarrhea
- Will send out calendar appointments
  - Google survey



# Disciplinary Policy

Listed below is the process ABAE personnel will follow if a student is disruptive or uncooperative at/or during a tutoring session. Disruptive or uncooperative behaviors include and are not limited to not bringing textbook and homework, using unapproved electronic devices during tutoring sessions, or hindering the learning of other students, leaving the tutoring session without permission, etc.

UMSOP is a professional school, and we expect professionalism from our tutors and participants.

## ***1<sup>st</sup> Occurrence***

- Verbal warning to the student
- If disruptions continue, parent will be notified

## ***2<sup>nd</sup> Occurrence***

- Warning letter mailed home to the parent and to the school's official contact, when appropriate

## ***3<sup>rd</sup> Occurrence***

- Dismissal from the ABAE program

# Expectations of UMB Tutors

- Provide a supportive, respectful learning environment for middle and high school students

Graduate and undergraduate students from across the University of Maryland campus volunteer their time for tutoring the subjects below: some days subject offerings may be limited due to tutor availability.

- Algebra
- SAT Prep
- Biology
- English
- Chemistry
- Geometry
- Calculus



- Lesson plans, Practice exams, Group work, Active learning activities
- ABAE tutors are not expected to teach material. Tutors will assist with understanding of homework and/or class materials. Please bring homework or questions to these sessions.

# For Parents

- Arrive at 10:00 a.m., pick up 12:00 p.m.
- Make sure your child brings appropriate materials
- Help us get your child's grade reports when they are available
- Check the ABAE website or UM alerts page in case of inclement weather
- Be patient with us – ABAE is run completely by volunteers!
- Accept calendar appointments for sessions your child will be attending 2 days ahead

# 2023 Fall

30-Sep-23	Orientation and Tutoring Session
7-Oct-23	Tutoring Session
<b>14-Oct-23</b>	<b>Baltimore Marathon: Virtual</b>
21-Oct-23	Tutoring Session
28-Oct-23	Tutoring Session
4-Nov-23	Tutoring Session
11-Nov-23	Tutoring Session
18-Nov-23	Tutoring Session
<b>25-Nov-23</b>	<b>No Tutoring: Thanksgiving</b>
2-Dec-23	Last Tutoring Session

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Instagram:

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Website:

<http://studentorg.rx.umaryland.edu/abae/>

UMB Article:

<https://elm.umaryland.edu/elm-stories/2023/A-Study-in-Outreach-UMSOP-Offers-Tutoring-Hands-On-Learning-To-Youths.php>

