School Name/Code: **Sherman Junior High School (006401)**

Survey Type: **Parent**

Grade Level: **7 and 8**

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**School Level Response Rates:**

Surveys Administered:

7th grade - 124

8th grade - 118

Surveys Received for:

7th grade - 73

8th grade - 67

School Response Rate:

7th grade –58.8%

8th grade – 56.8%

**Results (Percentages) by Survey Question**

1. **What is your relationship to the child who brought this survey home?**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | Parent or Guardian | 91.8% | 85.0% |
| Step or foster parent | 2.7% | 0.0% |
| Grandparent | 2.7% | 7.5% |
| Other | 0.0% | 3.0% |
| *No Response* | 2.8% | 4.5% |

1. **What is your race?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade %** |
|  | White | 95.9% | 94.0% |
| Black or African American | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Two or more races | 2.7% | 1.5% |
| *No response* | 1.4% | 4.5% |

1. **What is your ethnicity?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | Hispanic or Latino | 0.0% | 1.5% |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | 89.0% | 86.6% |
| *No Response* | 11.0% | 11.9% |

1. **What is the main language you speak at home?**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | English | 98.6% | 95.5% |
| Spanish | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Other | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| *No Response* | 1.4% | 4.5% |

1. **Which of the following options best describes your family's total annual income?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | $30,000 or less | 27.4% | 17.9% |
| $30,001 - $60,000 | 16.4% | 20.9% |
| $60,001 - $100,000 | 23.3% | 23.9% |
| $100,001 or more | 15.1% | 14.9% |
| I'd rather not say | 15.1% | 13.4% |
| *No Response* | 2.7% | 9.0% |

**6. What is the highest level of education obtained by your child's Mother/Father?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **Mother** | | **Father** | |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | *No Response* | 5.5% | 6.0% | 6.8% | 11.9% |
| Some high school | 11.0% | 7.5% | 16.4% | 6.0% |
| High school diploma/GED | 21.9% | 31.3% | 45.2% | 41.8% |
| Some college | 24.7% | 23.9% | 20.5% | 17.9% |
| 2-year college degree | 17.8% | 13.4% | 4.1% | 4.5% |
| 4-year college degree | 9.6% | 13.4% | 5.5% | 10.4% |
| Master's degree | 8.2% | 1.5% | 1.4% | 3.0% |
| Ph.D. or higher | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Don't know | 1.4% | 3.0% | 0.0% | 4.5% |

**7. If you have other children, how many have attended or are currently attending college?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | 1 | 12.3% | 13.4% |
| 2 | 4.1% | 3.0% |
| 3 | 4.1% | 4.5% |
| 4 | 0.0% | 1.5% |
| 5 or more | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| I don't have other children | 26.0% | 32.8% |
| *No Response* | 53.4% | 44.8% |

**8. Have you talked to your child about attending college?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | No | 5.5% | 3.0% |
| Yes | 93.2% | 92.5% |
| No Response | 1.4% | 4.5% |

**9. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Attending college is important to my child's career goal and future.** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 50.7% | 37.0% | 4.1% | 1.4% | 6.8% |
| **8th Grade** | 53.7% | 28.4% | 3.0% | 3.0% | 11.9% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **It's too early to think about my child going to college.** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 9.6% | 0% | 17.8% | 69.9% | 2.7% |
| **8th Grade** | 9.0% | 0% | 17.9% | 68.7% | 4.5% |

**10. What is the highest level of education that you think your child . . .**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Would like to get?** | | **Expects to get?** | |
|  | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
| **High school or less** | 4.1% | 1.5% | 5.5% | 4.5% |
| **Some college** | 8.2% | 16.4% | 20.5% | 19.4% |
| **Two-year associate's college degree** | 4.1% | 7.5% | 12.3% | 10.4% |
| **Four-year bachelor's college degree** | 31.5% | 25.4% | 34.2% | 28.4% |
| **More than a 4-year college degree** | 27.4% | 25.4% | 19.2% | 25.4% |
| *No Response* | 24.7% | 23.9% | 8.2% | 11.9% |

**11. Has anyone from your child’s school or GEAR UP ever spoken with you about…**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **College Entrance Requirement** | | **Availability of Financial Aid** | |
|  | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
| *No Response* | 2.7% | 4.5% | 4.1% | 4.5% |
| No | 87.7% | 80.6% | 84.9% | 77.6% |
| Yes | 9.6% | 14.9% | 11.0% | 17.9% |

**12. Do you know about financial aid and the cost and benefits to your child of pursuing a postsecondary education (e.g., going to college)?**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
| *No Response* | 6.8% | 7.5% |
| No | 31.5% | 32.8% |
| Yes | 61.6% | 59.7% |

**13. Do you think that your child could afford to attend one of the following types of colleges using financial aid, scholarships, and your family’s resources?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **A public 4-year college** | | **A public community/ technical college** | | **A public career/ technical center** | |
|  | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
| Definitely Not | 1.4% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Probably Not | 4.1% | 1.5% | 1.4% | 1.5% | 1.4% | 3.0% |
| Not Sure | 19.2% | 22.4% | 16.4% | 13.4% | 13.7% | 13.4% |
| Probably | 34.2% | 38.8% | 24.7% | 34.3% | 26.0% | 31.3% |
| Definitely | 31.5% | 29.9% | 43.8% | 38.8% | 42.5% | 40.3% |
| No Response | 9.6% | 7.5% | 13.7% | 11.9% | 16.4% | 11.9% |

**14. How much do you think it costs for one year of in-state tuition (your estimate should not include the cost of food, housing, or books) at…**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **7th Grade** | | **8th Grade** | |
|  | **4-year University or College** | **Public University or Technical College** | **4-year University or College** | **Public University or Technical College** |
| Up to $4000 | 1.4% | 17.8% | 4.5% | 28.4% |
| $4001 - $8000 | 17.8% | 35.6% | 23.9% | 22.4% |
| $8001 - $11000 | 24.7% | 12.3% | 11.9% | 11.9% |
| $11001 - $16000 | 17.8% | 6.8% | 20.9% | 9.0% |
| $16001 - $21000 | 8.2% | 11.0% | 7.5% | 10.4% |
| $21001 - $26000 | 9.6% | 1.4% | 10.4% | 4.5% |
| >$26000 | 11.0% | 4.1% | 13.4% | 3.0% |
| No response | 9.6% | 11.0% | 7.5% | 10.4% |

**15. How aware are you about the following topics?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **7th Grade** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **FAFSA** | 28.8% | 27.4% | 17.8% | 21.9% | 4.1% |
| **College Savings Plan/529** | 30.1% | 30.1% | 21.9% | 12.3% | 5.5% |
| **ACT/SAT** | 6.8% | 30.1% | 26.0% | 31.5% | 5.5% |
| **WV Higher Education Grant** | 32.9% | 24.7% | 20.5% | 15.1% | 6.8% |
| **Federal Pell Grants** | 26.0% | 24.7% | 21.9% | 20.5% | 6.8% |
| **Federal Student Loans** | 13.7% | 27.4% | 31.5% | 19.2% | 8.2% |
| **Federal Work-Study** | 41.1% | 28.8% | 13.7% | 11.0% | 5.5% |
| **Scholarships** | 15.1% | 30.1% | 31.5% | 16.4% | 6.8% |
| **Requirements for College Acceptance** | 12.3% | 26.0% | 37.0% | 16.4% | 8.2% |
| **The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education** | 8.2% | 6.8% | 24.7% | 52.1% | 8.2% |
| **High School Graduation Requirements** | 5.5% | 9.6% | 37.0% | 39.7% | 8.2% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **8th Grade** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **FAFSA** | 23.9% | 25.4% | 26.9% | 19.4% | 4.5% |
| **College Savings Plan/529** | 35.8% | 17.9% | 31.3% | 9.0% | 6.0% |
| **ACT/SAT** | 6.0% | 23.9% | 31.3% | 29.9% | 9.0% |
| **WV Higher Education Grant** | 26.9% | 28.4% | 26.9% | 10.4% | 7.5% |
| **Federal Pell Grants** | 19.4% | 28.4% | 25.4% | 20.9% | 6.0% |
| **Federal Student Loans** | 22.4% | 25.4% | 25.4% | 19.4% | 7.5% |
| **Federal Work-Study** | 34.3% | 34.3% | 17.9% | 7.5% | 6.0% |
| **Scholarships** | 16.4% | 26.9% | 37.3% | 13.4% | 6.0% |
| **Requirements for College Acceptance** | 17.9% | 20.9% | 41.8% | 11.9% | 7.5% |
| **The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education** | 10.4% | 17.9% | 17.9% | 46.3% | 7.5% |
| **High School Graduation Requirements** | 6.0% | 17.9% | 32.8% | 35.8% | 7.5% |

**16. How important have the following resources, individuals, or tools been in gathering information about your child’s options for college?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **7th Grade** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **College or university websites** | 24.7% | 16.4% | 39.7% | 11.0% | 8.2% |
| **College Foundation of WV website** | 32.9% | 26.0% | 24.7% | 6.8% | 9.6% |
| **Other college planning websites** | 31.5% | 26.0% | 24.7% | 6.8% | 11.0% |
| **College fairs** | 39.7% | 19.2% | 19.2% | 11.0% | 11.0% |
| **Television** | 27.4% | 32.9% | 27.4% | 4.1% | 8.2% |
| **Radio** | 37.0% | 34.2% | 16.4% | 4.1% | 8.2% |
| **Direct mail** | 43.8% | 28.8% | 12.3% | 5.5% | 9.6% |
| **E-mail** | 47.9% | 23.3% | 11.0% | 6.8% | 11.0% |
| **Brochures and pamphlets** | 31.5% | 24.7% | 26.0% | 9.6% | 8.2% |
| **Magazines/newspapers** | 38.4% | 30.1% | 19.2% | 5.5% | 6.8% |
| **Signs, posters, or billboards** | 35.6% | 32.9% | 16.4% | 6.8% | 8.2% |
| **Text messages** | 58.9% | 16.4% | 11.0% | 4.1% | 9.6% |
| **School counselor** | 37.0% | 20.5% | 16.4% | 13.7% | 12.3% |
| **Family members** | 17.8% | 16.4% | 35.6% | 21.9% | 8.2% |
| **GEAR UP staff** | 47.9% | 20.5% | 11.0% | 9.6% | 11.0% |
| **College admissions representatives** | 46.6% | 15.1% | 15.1% | 12.3% | 11.0% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **8th Grade** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **College or university websites** | 25.4% | 23.9% | 29.9% | 14.9% | 6.0% |
| **College Foundation of WV website** | 31.3% | 22.4% | 31.3% | 6.0% | 9.0% |
| **Other college planning websites** | 29.9% | 26.9% | 23.9% | 9.0% | 10.4% |
| **College fairs** | 35.8% | 25.4% | 22.4% | 7.5% | 9.0% |
| **Television** | 29.9% | 34.3% | 25.4% | 3.0% | 7.5% |
| **Radio** | 44.8% | 28.4% | 16.4% | 3.0% | 7.5% |
| **Direct mail** | 40.3% | 23.9% | 23.9% | 3.0% | 9.0% |
| **E-mail** | 38.8% | 29.9% | 19.4% | 3.0% | 9.0% |
| **Brochures and pamphlets** | 28.4% | 34.3% | 25.4% | 4.5% | 7.5% |
| **Magazines/newspapers** | 34.3% | 37.3% | 16.4% | 1.5% | 10.4% |
| **Signs, posters, or billboards** | 38.8% | 34.3% | 17.9% | 1.5% | 7.5% |
| **Text messages** | 47.8% | 25.4% | 13.4% | 3.0% | 10.4% |
| **School counselor** | 26.9% | 22.4% | 32.8% | 9.0% | 9.0% |
| **Family members** | 22.4% | 22.4% | 34.3% | 13.4% | 7.5% |
| **GEAR UP staff** | 41.8% | 20.9% | 20.9% | 7.5% | 9.0% |
| **College admissions representatives** | 46.3% | 16.4% | 14.9% | 13.4% | 9.0% |

**17. Which of the following do you need from your school or GEAR UP to help you be more successful in school and more prepared for college (check all that apply)?**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Support Needed** | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
| More advanced classes (e.g., AP) | 38.4% | 37.3% |
| Information about participating in GEAR UP events | 57.5% | 53.7% |
| Tutoring | 50.7% | 38.8% |
| Opportunities to participate in college visits | 69.9% | 62.7% |
| Information about college entrance requirements | 68.5% | 67.2% |
| Information about college financial aid/scholarships | 71.2% | 73.1% |
| Leadership opportunities | 39.7% | 37.3% |
| Summer activities | 39.7% | 23.9% |
| Career exploration activities | 52.1% | 56.7% |
| Test preparation | 58.9% | 58.2% |
| Assistance with the college entrance process | 54.8% | 49.3% |
| Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA) | 56.2% | 49.3% |
| Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish) | 15.1% | 11.9% |
| Other | 4.1% | 3.0% |