School Name/Code: Sherman Junior High School/006401

Survey Type: Student

Grade Level: 7th and 8th

Number of Respondents (N): 203

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**School Level Response Rates:**

Surveys Administered:

7th grade - 124

8th grade - 118

Surveys Received:

7th grade – 103

8th grade - 100

School Response Rate:

7th grade – 83.1%

8th grade – 84.7%

**Results (Percentages) by Survey Question**

1. **What is your gender?**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** |  | **8th Grade** |
|  | Female | 48.5% |  | 44.0% |
| Male | 51.5% |  | 56.0% |
| *No Response* | *0.0%* |  | *0.0%* |

1. **What is your race?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade %** | **8th Grade %** |
|  | White | 91.3% | 95.0% |
| Black or African American | 1.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 1.0% | 0.0% |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Two or more races | 6.8% | 5.0% |
| *No response* | *0.0%* | *0.0%* |

1. **What is your ethnicity?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | Hispanic or Latino | 0.0% | 2.0% |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | 99.0% | 97.0% |
| *No Response* | *1.0%* | *1.0%* |

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

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | English | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| Spanish | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Other | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| *No Response* | *0.0%* | *0.0%* |

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

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | $30,000 or less | 6.8% | 6.0% |
| $30,001 - $60,000 | 7.8% | 8.0% |
| $60,001 - $100,000 | 8.7% | 8.0% |
| $100,001 or more | 6.8% | 8.0% |
| I'd rather not say | 69.9% | 70.0% |
| *No Response* | *0.0%* | *0.0%* |

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | | **8th Grade** | |
|  | | **Mother** | **Father** | **Mother** | **Father** |
|  | Some high school | 4.9% | 9.7% | 13.0% | 15.0% |
| High school diploma/GED | 20.4% | 29.1% | 24.0% | 31.0% |
| Some college | 9.7% | 10.7% | 12.0% | 9.0% |
| 2-year college degree | 7.8% | 2.9% | 7.0% | 1.0% |
| 4-year college degree | 13.6% | 6.8% | 11.0% | 6.0% |
| Master's degree | 4.9% | 1.9% | 9.0% | 6.0% |
| Ph.D. or higher | 1.0% | 1.0% | 2.0% | 1.0% |
| Don't know | 37.9% | 36.9% | 22.0% | 31.0% |
| *No Response* | *0.0%* | *1.0%* | *0.0%* | *0.0%* |

**7. If you have other brothers or sisters, how many have attended college in the past or are in college now?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | 1 | 18.4% | 12.0% |
| 2 | 5.8% | 5.0% |
| 3 | 3.9% | 1.0% |
| 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| 5 or more | 1.0% | 1.0% |
| I don't have other children | 69.9% | 79.0% |
| *No Response* | *1.0%* | *2.0%* |

**8. Do you plan to continue your education after high school?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | No | 2.9% | 8.0% |
| Yes | 96.1% | 91.0% |
| No Response | 1.0% | 1.0% |

**8b. If you answered No, what are your main reasons you do not plan to continue your education?**

I don’t want to go to college, it’s too hard I don’t understand a lot of things and I don’t think that I could do good in college.

**9. As you think about your current skills, how confident are you of your ability in the following areas?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Math Skills | **Very Confident** | **Confident** | **Don’t Know** | **Not Confident** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 18.4% | 46.6% | 4.9% | 29.1% | 1.0% |
| **8th Grade** | 32.0% | 49.0% | 5.0% | 14.0% | 0.0% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| English/Language Arts | **Very Confident** | **Confident** | **Don’t Know** | **Not Confident** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 43.7% | 47.6% | 2.9% | 5.8% | 0.0% |
| **8th Grade** | 33.0% | 52.0% | 2.0% | 13.0% | 0.0% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Science | **Very Confident** | **Confident** | **Don’t Know** | **Not Confident** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 32.0% | 48.5% | 6.8% | 11.7% | 1.0% |
| **8th Grade** | 32.0% | 51.0% | 2.0% | 14.0% | 1.0% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Study Skills | **Very Confident** | **Confident** | **Don’t Know** | **Not Confident** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 31.1% | 42.7% | 6.8% | 19.4% | 0.0% |
| **8th Grade** | 21.0% | 50.0% | 5.0% | 23.0% | 1.0% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Ability to pass the end-of-year tests (e.g., WESTEST 2, Smarter Balanced Assessment* | **Very Confident** | **Confident** | **Don’t Know** | **Not Confident** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 33.0% | 41.7% | 11.7% | 12.6% | 1.0% |
| **8th Grade** | 42.0% | 36.0% | 11.0% | 11.0% | 0.0% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Ability to do well in college level courses in the future* | **Very Confident** | **Confident** | **Don’t Know** | **Not Confident** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 45.6% | 31.1% | 14.6% | 6.8% | 1.9% |
| **8th Grade** | 35.0% | 34.0% | 21.0% | 10.0% | 0.0% |

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

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **7th Grade** | | **8th Grade** | |
|  | **Would like to get?** | **Expects to get?** | **Would like to get?** | **Expects to get?** |
| **High school or less** | 5.8% | 9.7% | 8.0% | 10.0% |
| **Some college** | 6.8% | 13.6% | 12.0% | 19.0% |
| **Two-year associate's college degree** | 8.7% | 13.6% | 4.0% | 12.0% |
| **Four-year bachelor's college degree** | 30.1% | 38.8% | 25.0% | 29.0% |
| **More than a 4-year college degree** | 48.5% | 24.3% | 50.0% | 29.0% |
| *No Response* | 0.0% | 0.0% | 1.0% | 1.0% |

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **7th Grade** | | | **8th Grade** | | |
|  | **No** | **Yes** | **No Response** | **No** | **Yes** | **No Response** |
| **Availability of Financial Aid** | 61.2% | 38.8% | 0.0% | 67.0% | 32.0% | 1.0% |
| **College Entrance Requirement** | 60.2% | 38.8% | 1.0% | 55.0% | 45.0% | 0.0% |

**12. Are you knowledgeable about financial aid and the cost and benefits to you of going to college?**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
| No | 48.5% | 50.0% |
| Yes | 50.5% | 50.0% |
| No Response | 1.0% | 0.0% |

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **7th Grade** | | | **8th Grade** | | |
|  | **A public 4-year college** | **A public community/ technical college** | **A public career/ technical center** | **A public 4-year college** | **A public community/ technical college** | **A public career/ technical center** |
| Definitely Not | 2.9% | 2.9% | 5.8% | 4.0% | 2.0% | 2.0% |
| Probably Not | 3.9% | 5.8% | 3.9% | 10.0% | 9.0% | 8.0% |
| Not Sure | 26.2% | 27.2% | 27.2% | 19.0% | 24.0% | 21.0% |
| Probably | 47.6% | 46.6% | 36.9% | 42.0% | 35.0% | 40.0% |
| Definitely | 18.4% | 16.5% | 25.2% | 25.0% | 29.0% | 28.0% |
| No Response | 1.0% | 1.0% | 1.0% | 0.0% | 1.0% | 1.0% |

**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 | 5.8% | 21.4% | 14.0% | 24.0% |
| $4001 - $8000 | 26.2% | 19.4% | 19.0% | 17.0% |
| $8001 - $11000 | 22.3% | 25.2% | 16.0% | 25.0% |
| $11001 - $16000 | 15.5% | 12.6% | 25.0% | 19.0% |
| $16001 - $21000 | 12.6% | 9.7% | 18.0% | 10.0% |
| $21001 - $26000 | 9.7% | 5.8% | 3.0% | 4.0% |
| >$26000 | 6.8% | 4.9% | 5.0% | 0.0% |
| No response | 1.0% | 1.0% | 0.0% | 1.0% |

**15. How aware are you about the following topics (by percentage)?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | *Grade* | *Extremely*  *(Percent)* | *Moderately*  *(Percent)* | *Slightly*  *(Percent)* | *Not at All*  *(Percent)* | *No Response (Percent)* |
| **FAFSA** | 7th | 3.9% | 6.8% | 14.6% | 73.8% | 1.0% |
| 8th | 2.0% | 5.0% | 31.0% | 62.0% | 0.0% |
| **College Savings Plan/529** | 7th | 13.6% | 19.4% | 35.0% | 32.0% | 0.0% |
| 8th | 7.0% | 8.0% | 38.0% | 46.0% | 1.0% |
| **ACT /SAT** | 7th | 10.7% | 31.1% | 35.9% | 22.3% | 0.0% |
| 8th | 27.0% | 25.0% | 29.0% | 19.0% | 0.0% |
| **WV Higher Education Grant** | 7th | 6.8% | 21.4% | 38.8% | 31.1% | 1.9% |
| 8th | 9.0% | 14.0% | 26.0% | 50.0% | 1.0% |
| **Federal Pell Grants** | 7th | 2.9% | 5.8% | 27.2% | 61.2% | 2.9% |
| 8th | 2.0% | 9.0% | 18.0% | 71.0% | 0.0% |
| **Federal Student Loans** | 7th | 17.5% | 31.1% | 34.0% | 17.5% | 0.0% |
| 8th | 13.0% | 23.0% | 37.0% | 27.0% | 0.0% |
| **Federal Work-Study** | 7th | 9.7% | 11.7% | 37.9% | 40.8% | 0.0% |
| 8th | 4.0% | 11.0% | 31.0% | 54.0% | 0.0% |
| **Scholarships** | 7th | 39.8% | 33.0% | 21.4% | 4.9% | 1.0% |
| 8th | 30.0% | 28.0% | 21.0% | 19.0% | 2.0% |
| **Requirements for College Acceptance** | 7th | 19.4% | 36.9% | 36.9% | 5.8% | 1.0% |
| 8th | 19.0% | 26.0% | 28.0% | 27.0% | 0.0% |
| **The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education** | 7th | 35.0% | 29.1% | 22.3% | 12.6% | 1.0% |
| 8th | 42.0% | 20.0% | 18.0% | 20.0% | 0.0% |
| **High School Graduation Requirements** | 7th | 42.7% | 26.2% | 24.3% | 5.8% | 1.0% |
| 8th | 46.0% | 25.0% | 13.0% | 15.0% | 1.0% |
|  | | | | | | | | |

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

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **7th Grade** | *Extremely*  *(Percent)* | *Moderately*  *(Percent)* | *Slightly*  *(Percent)* | *Not at All*  *(Percent)* | *No Response (Percent)* |
| **College or university websites** | 12.6% | 29.1% | 30.1% | 27.2% | 1.0% |
| **College Foundation of WV website** | 11.7% | 20.4% | 23.3% | 43.7% | 1.0% |
| **Other college planning websites** | 6.8% | 19.4% | 29.1% | 44.7% | 0.0% |
| **College fairs** | 4.9% | 17.5% | 28.2% | 49.5% | 0.0% |
| **Television** | 27.2% | 27.2% | 30.1% | 15.5% | 0.0% |
| **Radio** | 14.6% | 20.4% | 35.0% | 28.2% | 1.9% |
| **Direct mail** | 12.6% | 9.7% | 23.3% | 51.5% | 2.9% |
| **E-mail** | 12.6% | 9.7% | 23.3% | 51.5% | 2.9% |
| **Brochures and pamphlets** | 18.4% | 29.1% | 27.2% | 24.3% | 1.0% |
| **Magazines/newspapers** | 15.5% | 24.3% | 32.0% | 27.2% | 1.0% |
| **Signs, posters, or billboards** | 20.4% | 29.1% | 25.2% | 24.3% | 1.0% |
| **Text messages** | 11.7% | 11.7% | 10.7% | 64.1% | 1.9% |
| **School counselor** | 23.3% | 29.1% | 26.2% | 20.4% | 1.0% |
| **Family members** | 30.1% | 30.1% | 27.2% | 11.7% | 1.0% |
| **GEAR UP staff** | 7.8% | 10.7% | 21.4% | 58.3% | 1.9% |
| **College admissions representatives** | 11.7% | 16.5% | 27.2% | 43.7% | 1.0% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **8th Grade** | *Extremely*  *(Percent)* | *Moderately*  *(Percent)* | *Slightly*  *(Percent)* | *Not at All*  *(Percent)* | *No Response (Percent)* |
| **College or university websites** | 16.0% | 25.0% | 29.0% | 30.0% | 0.0% |
| **College Foundation of WV website** | 5.0% | 19.0% | 37.0% | 39.0% | 0.0% |
| **Other college planning websites** | 4.0% | 22.0% | 28.0% | 45.0% | 1.0% |
| **College fairs** | 8.0% | 21.0% | 23.0% | 48.0% | 0.0% |
| **Television** | 20.0% | 28.0% | 31.0% | 21.0% | 0.0% |
| **Radio** | 8.0% | 23.0% | 42.0% | 27.0% | 0.0% |
| **Direct mail** | 8.0% | 17.0% | 26.0% | 49.0% | 0.0% |
| **E-mail** | 8.0% | 17.0% | 26.0% | 49.0% | 0.0% |
| **Brochures and pamphlets** | 13.0% | 27.0% | 28.0% | 32.0% | 0.0% |
| **Magazines/newspapers** | 7.0% | 30.0% | 28.0% | 35.0% | 0.0% |
| **Signs, posters, or billboards** | 15.0% | 28.0% | 31.0% | 26.0% | 0.0% |
| **Text messages** | 5.0% | 12.0% | 26.0% | 57.0% | 0.0% |
| **School counselor** | 11.0% | 30.0% | 34.0% | 25.0% | 0.0% |
| **Family members** | 41.0% | 25.0% | 22.0% | 12.0% | 0.0% |
| **GEAR UP staff** | 6.0% | 14.0% | 15.0% | 65.0% | 0.0% |
| **College admissions representatives** | 7.0% | 16.0% | 19.0% | 58.0% | 0.0% |

**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 (%)** | **8th (%)** |
| More advanced classes (e.g., AP) | | 38.8% | 46.0% |
| Information about participating in GEAR UP events | | 45.6% | 34.0% |
| Tutoring | | 45.6% | 41.0% |
| Opportunities to participate in college visits | | 74.8% | 59.0% |
| Information about college entrance requirements | | 65.0% | 59.0% |
| Information about college financial aid/scholarships | | 61.2% | 60.0% |
| Leadership opportunities | | 44.7% | 37.0% |
| Summer activities | | 40.8% | 33.0% |
| Career exploration activities | | 54.4% | 49.0% |
| Test preparation | | 63.1% | 47.0% |
| Assistance with the college entrance process | | 54.4% | 50.0% |
| Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA) | | 39.8% | 38.0% |
| Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish) | | 31.1% | 30.0% |
| Other | Information about student loans and scholarships | | |