School Name/Code: **Wirt County Middle School (094301)**

Survey Type: **Parent**

Grade Level: **7 and 8**

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**School Level Response Rates:**

Surveys Administered:

7th grade - 82

8th grade - 46

Surveys Received for:

7th grade - 44

8th grade - 16

School Response Rate:

7th grade –53.7%

8th grade – 34.8%

**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** |
|  | *No Response* | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Parent or Guardian | 97.7% | 94.1% |
| Step or foster parent | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Grandparent | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Other | 2.3% | 5.9% |

1. **What is your race?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade %** |
|  | *No response* | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 97.7% | 94.1% |
| Black or African American | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 2.3% | 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 | 0.0% | 5.9% |

1. **What is your ethnicity?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | *No Response* | 2.3% | 0.0% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 2.3% | 5.9% |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | 95.4% | 94.1% |

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

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

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

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | *No Response* | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| $30,000 or less | 38.6% | 17.6% |
| $30,001 - $60,000 | 22.7% | 29.4% |
| $60,001 - $100,000 | 13.6% | 17.6% |
| $100,001 or more | 4.5% | 11.8% |
| I'd rather not say | 20.5% | 17.6% |

**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* | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4.5% | 0.0% |
| Some high school | 6.8% | 17.6% | 18.2% | 17.6% |
| High school diploma/GED | 31.8% | 29.4% | 38.6% | 35.3% |
| Some college | 22.7% | 23.5% | 13.6% | 29.4% |
| 2-year college degree | 4.5% | 5.9% | 9.1% | 5.9% |
| 4-year college degree | 27.3% | 17.6% | 13.6% | 0.0% |
| Master's degree | 6.8% | 5.9% | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| Ph.D. or higher | 0.0% | 0.0% | 2.3% | 0.0% |
| Don't know | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 5.9% |

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

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | *No Response* | 52.3% | 29.4% |
| 1 | 15.9% | 17.6% |
| 2 | 6.8% | 0.0% |
| 3 | 2.3% | 11.8% |
| 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| 5 or more | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| I don't have other children | 22.7% | 35.3% |

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

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | **7th Grade** | **8th Grade** |
|  | No Response | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| No | 2.3% | 5.9% |
| Yes | 97.7% | 94.1% |

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **It's too early to think about my child going to college.** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 50.0% | 36.4% | 11.4% | 0.0% | 2.3% |
| **8th Grade** | 23.5% | 58.8% | 11.8% | 0.0% | 5.9% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Attending college is important to my child's career goal and future.** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** | **No Response** |
| **7th Grade** | 6.8% | 0.0% | 18.2% | 75.0% | 0.0% |
| **8th Grade** | 0.0% | 0.0% | 23.5% | 76.5% | 0.0% |

**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** |
| *No Response* | 6.8% | 5.9% | 13.6% | 11.8% |
| **High school or less** | 2.3% | 5.9% | 0.0% | 17.6% |
| **Some college** | 6.8% | 17.6% | 9.1% | 17.6% |
| **Two-year associate's college degree** | 6.8% | 0.0% | 6.8% | 0.0% |
| **Four-year bachelor's college degree** | 27.3% | 47.1% | 52.3% | 23.5% |
| **More than a 4-year college degree** | 50.0% | 23.5% | 18.2% | 29.4% |

**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* | 0.0% | 5.9% | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| No | 93.2% | 94.1% | 88.6% | 88.2% |
| Yes | 6.8% | 0.0% | 11.4% | 5.9% |

**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* | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| No | 27.3% | 29.4% |
| Yes | 72.7% | 64.7% |

**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?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **7th Grade** | ***Definitely Not*** | ***Probably Not*** | ***Not Sure*** | ***Probably*** | ***Definitely*** | ***No Response*** |
| **A public 4-year college** | 4.5% | 4.5% | 9.1% | 40.9% | 40.9% | 0.0% |
| **A public community/ technical college** | 0.0% | 2.3% | 6.8% | 45.5% | 43.2% | 2.3% |
| **A public career/ technical center** | 0.0% | 2.3% | 6.8% | 43.2% | 45.5% | 2.3% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **8th Grade** | ***Definitely Not*** | ***Probably Not*** | ***Not Sure*** | ***Probably*** | ***Definitely*** | ***No Response*** |
| **A public 4-year college** | 0.0% | 5.9% | 17.6% | 41.2% | 23.5% | 11.8% |
| **A public community/ technical college** | 5.9% | 5.9% | 17.6% | 35.3% | 29.4% | 5.9% |
| **A public career/ technical center** | 5.9% | 5.9% | 11.8% | 35.3% | 29.4% | 11.8% |

**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 | 2.3% | 9.1% | 0.0% | 23.5% |
| $4001 - $8000 | 13.6% | 27.3% | 29.4% | 17.6% |
| $8001 - $11000 | 25.0% | 18.2% | 11.8% | 11.8% |
| $11001 - $16000 | 20.5% | 6.8% | 11.8% | 11.8% |
| $16001 - $21000 | 11.4% | 15.9% | 5.9% | 5.9% |
| $21001 - $26000 | 4.5% | 0.0% | 17.6% | 0.0% |
| >$26000 | 18.2% | 13.6% | 17.6% | 11.8% |
| No response | 4.5% | 9.1% | 5.9% | 17.6% |

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

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **7th Grade** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **FAFSA** | 22.7% | 22.7% | 25.0% | 27.3% | 2.3% |
| **College Savings Plan/529** | 38.6% | 27.3% | 18.2% | 11.4% | 4.5% |
| **ACT/SAT** | 18.2% | 25.0% | 31.8% | 20.5% | 4.5% |
| **WV Higher Education Grant** | 31.8% | 20.5% | 25.0% | 18.2% | 4.5% |
| **Federal Pell Grants** | 25.0% | 22.7% | 29.5% | 18.2% | 4.5% |
| **Federal Student Loans** | 22.7% | 20.5% | 29.5% | 22.7% | 4.5% |
| **Federal Work-Study** | 34.1% | 22.7% | 20.5% | 15.9% | 6.8% |
| **Scholarships** | 25.0% | 13.6% | 27.3% | 29.5% | 4.5% |
| **Requirements for College Acceptance** | 22.7% | 18.2% | 34.1% | 20.5% | 4.5% |
| **The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education** | 15.9% | 9.1% | 15.9% | 54.5% | 4.5% |
| **High School Graduation Requirements** | 9.1% | 15.9% | 36.4% | 34.1% | 4.5% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **8th Grade** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **FAFSA** | 23.5% | 35.3% | 23.5% | 5.9% | 11.8% |
| **College Savings Plan/529** | 35.3% | 41.2% | 11.8% | 0.0% | 11.8% |
| **ACT/SAT** | 23.5% | 5.9% | 35.3% | 23.5% | 11.8% |
| **WV Higher Education Grant** | 52.9% | 17.6% | 17.6% | 0.0% | 11.8% |
| **Federal Pell Grants** | 35.3% | 23.5% | 29.4% | 0.0% | 11.8% |
| **Federal Student Loans** | 29.4% | 11.8% | 47.1% | 0.0% | 11.8% |
| **Federal Work-Study** | 52.9% | 11.8% | 23.5% | 0.0% | 11.8% |
| **Scholarships** | 29.4% | 41.2% | 17.6% | 0.0% | 11.8% |
| **Requirements for College Acceptance** | 29.4% | 29.4% | 29.4% | 0.0% | 11.8% |
| **The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education** | 11.8% | 17.6% | 29.4% | 29.4% | 11.8% |
| **High School Graduation Requirements** | 17.6% | 11.8% | 47.1% | 17.6% | 5.9% |
|  | | | | | | | |

**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** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **College or university websites** | 22.7% | 25.0% | 15.9% | 22.7% | 13.6% |
| **College Foundation of WV website** | 38.6% | 25.0% | 6.8% | 15.9% | 13.6% |
| **Other college planning websites** | 34.1% | 27.3% | 13.6% | 11.4% | 13.6% |
| **College fairs** | 34.1% | 25.0% | 15.9% | 11.4% | 13.6% |
| **Television** | 34.1% | 27.3% | 13.6% | 11.4% | 13.6% |
| **Radio** | 31.8% | 34.1% | 13.6% | 6.8% | 13.6% |
| **Direct mail** | 31.8% | 31.8% | 11.4% | 11.4% | 13.6% |
| **E-mail** | 40.9% | 20.5% | 11.4% | 13.6% | 13.6% |
| **Brochures and pamphlets** | 31.8% | 25.0% | 18.2% | 11.4% | 13.6% |
| **Magazines/newspapers** | 40.9% | 20.5% | 18.2% | 4.5% | 15.9% |
| **Signs, posters, or billboards** | 38.6% | 25.0% | 18.2% | 4.5% | 13.6% |
| **Text messages** | 52.3% | 20.5% | 4.5% | 9.1% | 13.6% |
| **School counselor** | 38.6% | 18.2% | 13.6% | 13.6% | 15.9% |
| **Family members** | 18.2% | 27.3% | 27.3% | 13.6% | 13.6% |
| **GEAR UP staff** | 50.0% | 20.5% | 2.3% | 13.6% | 13.6% |
| **College admissions representatives** | 43.2% | 22.7% | 6.8% | 13.6% | 13.6% |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **8th Grade** | *Not at All* | *Slightly* | *Moderately* | *Extremely* | *No Response* |
| **College or university websites** | 29.4% | 47.1% | 11.8% | 11.8% | 0.0% |
| **College Foundation of WV website** | 47.1% | 35.3% | 5.9% | 5.9% | 5.9% |
| **Other college planning websites** | 35.3% | 41.2% | 5.9% | 5.9% | 11.8% |
| **College fairs** | 52.9% | 23.5% | 17.6% | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| **Television** | 35.3% | 35.3% | 17.6% | 5.9% | 5.9% |
| **Radio** | 47.1% | 23.5% | 23.5% | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| **Direct mail** | 52.9% | 23.5% | 11.8% | 5.9% | 5.9% |
| **E-mail** | 58.8% | 17.6% | 11.8% | 11.8% | 0.0% |
| **Brochures and pamphlets** | 41.2% | 23.5% | 23.5% | 5.9% | 5.9% |
| **Magazines/newspapers** | 52.9% | 11.8% | 17.6% | 11.8% | 5.9% |
| **Signs, posters, or billboards** | 52.9% | 17.6% | 23.5% | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| **Text messages** | 64.7% | 17.6% | 11.8% | 0.0% | 5.9% |
| **School counselor** | 35.3% | 29.4% | 17.6% | 11.8% | 5.9% |
| **Family members** | 29.4% | 17.6% | 29.4% | 17.6% | 5.9% |
| **GEAR UP staff** | 52.9% | 23.5% | 11.8% | 5.9% | 5.9% |
| **College admissions representatives** | 70.6% | 17.6% | 0.0% | 5.9% | 5.9% |

**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) | 31.8% | 64.7% |
| Information about participating in GEAR UP events | 61.4% | 64.7% |
| Tutoring | 15.9% | 47.1% |
| Opportunities to participate in college visits | 59.1% | 70.6% |
| Information about college entrance requirements | 63.6% | 82.4% |
| Information about college financial aid/scholarships | 61.4% | 82.4% |
| Leadership opportunities | 34.1% | 41.2% |
| Summer activities | 25.0% | 41.2% |
| Career exploration activities | 52.3% | 64.7% |
| Test preparation | 59.1% | 58.8% |
| Assistance with the college entrance process | 47.7% | 70.6% |
| Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA) | 52.3% | 76.5% |
| Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish) | 13.6% | 29.4% |
| Other | 2.3% | 11.8% |