



County Name	Survey Type	Grade Level	Number of Respondents (N)
WIRT County	Student Survey	9	67

County Level Response Rates:

Surveys Administered	78
Surveys Received*	67
County Response Rate (%)	85.9%

*tables below include data only for those 66 students who provided assent.

Results (Percentages) by Survey Question

1. What is your gender?

	(%)
Female	40.9%
Male	59.1%
Other	0.0%
No Response	0.0%

2. What is your race?

	(%)
White	92.4%
Black or African American	1.5%
Asian	1.5%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.5%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0%
Two or more races	1.5%
Other	
No response	1.5%

3. What is your ethnicity?

	(%)
Hispanic or Latino	6.1%
Not Hispanic or Latino	84.8%
Other	
No Response	9.1%

4. What is the main language you speak at home?

	(%)
English	98.5%
Spanish	0.0%



Other	
No Response	1.5%

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

	(%)
\$30,000 or less	18.2%
\$30,001 - \$60,000	21.2%
\$60,001 - \$100,000	13.6%
\$100,001 or more	3.0%
Don't know or I'd rather not say	42.4%
No Response	1.5%

6. What is the highest level of education obtained by your mother/father?

	Mother (%)	Father (%)
Some high school	7.6%	16.7%
High school diploma/GED	13.6%	25.8%
Some college	13.6%	9.1%
2-year college degree	12.1%	6.1%
4-year college degree	21.2%	13.6%
Master's degree	6.1%	0.0%
Ph.D. or higher	1.5%	3.0%
Don't know	22.7%	24.2%
No Response	1.5%	1.5%

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

	(%)
0	60.6%
1	16.7%
2	13.6%
3	3.0%
4	0.0%
5 or more	0.0%
I don't have brothers or sisters	6.1%
No Response	0.0%

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

	(%)
Yes	90.9%
No	6.1%
No Response	3.0%

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



	(%)
My grades aren't good enough	75.0%
It costs too much/I can't afford it	50.0%
I need to work	50.0%
I want to work	25.0%
Family issues	0.0%
I plan to enlist in the military	50.0%
Other	

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

	Very Confident (%)	Confident (%)	Not Confident (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
Math Skills	22.7%	50.0%	22.7%	4.5%	0.0%
English/Language Arts	33.3%	53.0%	9.1%	4.5%	0.0%
Science	25.8%	51.5%	18.2%	4.5%	0.0%
Study Skills	15.2%	53.0%	27.3%	4.5%	0.0%
Ability to pass the end-of-year tests (e.g., WESTEST 2, Smarter Balanced Assessment)	30.3%	43.9%	18.2%	7.6%	0.0%
Ability to do well in college level courses in the future	27.3%	51.5%	10.6%	9.1%	1.5%

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

	Would like to get? (%)	Expect to get? (%)
High school or less	6.1%	6.1%
Some college	12.1%	18.2%
Two-year associate's college degree	4.5%	18.2%
Four-year bachelor's college degree	42.4%	33.3%
More than a 4-year college degree	30.3%	16.7%
No Response	4.5%	7.6%

11. How sure are you about being able to do the following?

	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I can find a way to pay for college.	13.6%	25.8%	34.8%	15.2%	7.6%	3.0%
I can get accepted to a college.	22.7%	27.3%	21.2%	13.6%	12.1%	3.0%
I can have family support for going to college.	42.4%	21.2%	15.2%	9.1%	9.1%	3.0%
I can choose a good college.	27.3%	31.8%	21.2%	6.1%	9.1%	4.5%
I can get a scholarship or grant for college.	21.2%	24.2%	24.2%	13.6%	13.6%	3.0%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I can make an educational plan that will prepare me for college.	7.6%	25.8%	39.4%	9.1%	15.2%	3.0%
I can make my family proud with my choices after high school.	30.3%	30.3%	16.7%	9.1%	10.6%	3.0%
I can choose college courses that best fit my interests.	27.3%	33.3%	15.2%	9.1%	12.1%	3.0%
I can pay for college even if my family cannot help me.	6.1%	15.2%	22.7%	25.8%	25.8%	4.5%
I can get good grades in my high school math classes.	18.2%	28.8%	22.7%	16.7%	10.6%	3.0%
I can get good grades in my high school science classes.	21.2%	24.2%	33.3%	10.6%	7.6%	3.0%
I can choose the high school classes needed to get into a good college.	19.7%	31.8%	24.2%	9.1%	12.1%	3.0%
I know enough about computers to get into college.	16.7%	34.8%	25.8%	10.6%	9.1%	3.0%
I can go to college after high school.	31.8%	22.7%	25.8%	6.1%	10.6%	3.0%

12. If you do go to college, how sure are you about being able to do the following?

	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I could pay for each year of college.	6.1%	28.8%	24.2%	21.2%	16.7%	3.0%
I could get A's and B's in college.	13.6%	28.8%	27.3%	15.2%	12.1%	3.0%
I could get my family to support my wish of finishing college.	34.8%	24.2%	19.7%	7.6%	10.6%	3.0%
I could take care of myself in college.	36.4%	25.8%	22.7%	6.1%	6.1%	3.0%
I could fit in at college.	27.3%	28.8%	24.2%	9.1%	7.6%	3.0%
I could get good enough grades to get or keep a scholarship.	19.7%	36.4%	22.7%	9.1%	9.1%	3.0%
I could finish college and receive a college degree.	30.3%	33.3%	16.7%	7.6%	9.1%	3.0%
I could care for my family responsibilities while in college.	24.2%	22.7%	28.8%	9.1%	12.1%	3.0%
I could set my own schedule while in college.	18.2%	33.3%	25.8%	9.1%	10.6%	3.0%
I could make friends at college.	33.3%	34.8%	16.7%	6.1%	6.1%	3.0%
I could get the education I need for my choice of career.	33.3%	31.8%	18.2%	7.6%	6.1%	3.0%
I could get a job after I graduate from college.	30.3%	28.8%	24.2%	7.6%	6.1%	3.0%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I would like being in college.	28.8%	21.2%	22.7%	10.6%	13.6%	3.0%
I could be smart enough to finish college.	28.8%	24.2%	21.2%	12.1%	10.6%	3.0%
I could pick the right things to study at college.	24.2%	30.3%	25.8%	7.6%	9.1%	3.0%
I could do the classwork and homework assignments in college classes.	22.7%	25.8%	28.8%	9.1%	10.6%	3.0%

13. Has anyone from your school or GEAR UP ever spoken with you about...

	Yes (%)	No (%)	No Response (%)
College Entrance Requirement	80.3%	19.7%	0.0%
Availability of Financial Aid	71.2%	28.8%	0.0%

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

	(%)
Yes	72.7%
No	16.7%
No Response	10.6%

15. 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?

	A public 4-year college (%)	A public community/ technical college (%)	A public career/ technical center (%)
Definitely	22.7%	18.2%	21.2%
Probably	40.9%	42.4%	40.9%
Not Sure	27.3%	27.3%	25.8%
Probably Not	3.0%	4.5%	4.5%
Definitely Not	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%
No Response	0.0%	1.5%	1.5%



16. 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...

	4-year University or College (%)	Public Community or Technical College (%)
Up to \$4,000	9.1%	12.1%
\$4,001 - \$8,000	24.2%	27.3%
\$8,001 - \$11,000	16.7%	24.2%
\$11,001 - \$16,000	24.2%	10.6%
\$16,001 - \$21,000	13.6%	10.6%
\$21,001 - \$26,000	3.0%	1.5%
>\$26,000	6.1%	7.6%
No response	3.0%	6.1%

*The correct amounts are highlighted in green.

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

	Extremely (%)	Moderately (%)	Slightly (%)	Not at All (%)	No Response (%)
FAFSA	6.1%	36.4%	30.3%	24.2%	3.0%
College Savings Plan/529	9.1%	33.3%	28.8%	25.8%	3.0%
ACT /SAT	21.2%	47.0%	16.7%	12.1%	3.0%
WV Higher Education Grant	9.1%	43.9%	22.7%	21.2%	3.0%
Federal Pell Grants	6.1%	30.3%	31.8%	28.8%	3.0%
Federal Student Loans	12.1%	40.9%	33.3%	10.6%	3.0%
Federal Work-Study	9.1%	31.8%	27.3%	28.8%	3.0%
Scholarships	25.8%	45.5%	13.6%	12.1%	3.0%
Requirements for College Acceptance	21.2%	47.0%	19.7%	9.1%	3.0%
The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education	31.8%	37.9%	13.6%	9.1%	7.6%
High School Graduation Requirements	33.3%	40.9%	13.6%	9.1%	3.0%

18. What do you think is the maximum amount of money per academic year that is available to help pay for college...

	Federal Pell Grant (%)	WV Higher Education Grant (%)	PROMISE Scholarship (%)
Up to \$1,000	6.1%	7.6%	7.6%
\$1,001- \$2000	7.6%	4.5%	12.1%
\$2,001-\$3,000	22.7%	10.6%	18.2%
\$3,001-\$4,000	15.2%	21.2%	3.0%
\$4,001-\$5,000	22.7%	24.2%	25.8%
\$5,001-\$6,000	9.1%	16.7%	9.1%



	Federal Pell Grant (%)	WV Higher Education Grant (%)	PROMISE Scholarship (%)
\$6,001-\$7,000	3.0%	1.5%	7.6%
>\$7,000	7.6%	7.6%	12.1%
No Response	6.1%	6.1%	4.5%

*The correct amounts are highlighted in green.

19. How important have the following resources, individuals, or tools been in gathering information about your options for college?

	Extremely (%)	Moderately (%)	Slightly (%)	Not at All (%)	No Response (%)
College or university websites	19.7%	48.5%	24.2%	7.6%	0.0%
College Foundation of WV website	15.2%	54.5%	22.7%	7.6%	0.0%
Other college planning websites	15.2%	50.0%	24.2%	10.6%	0.0%
College fairs	18.2%	42.4%	25.8%	13.6%	0.0%
Television	12.1%	43.9%	31.8%	12.1%	0.0%
Radio	10.6%	33.3%	34.8%	21.2%	0.0%
Direct mail	16.7%	30.3%	37.9%	15.2%	0.0%
E-mail	18.2%	34.8%	31.8%	15.2%	0.0%
Brochures and pamphlets	15.2%	43.9%	28.8%	12.1%	0.0%
Magazines/newspapers	12.1%	34.8%	33.3%	18.2%	1.5%
Signs, posters, or billboards	13.6%	45.5%	25.8%	15.2%	0.0%
Text messages	16.7%	24.2%	30.3%	27.3%	1.5%
School counselor	22.7%	48.5%	22.7%	4.5%	1.5%
Family members	21.2%	47.0%	25.8%	6.1%	0.0%
GEAR UP staff	25.8%	56.1%	13.6%	4.5%	0.0%
College admissions representatives	19.7%	51.5%	18.2%	10.6%	0.0%

20. 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)?

Support Needed	(%)
More advanced classes (e.g., AP)	48.5%
Information about participating in GEAR UP events	45.5%
Tutoring	37.9%
Opportunities to participate in college visits	57.6%
Information about college entrance requirements	59.1%
Information about college financial aid/scholarships	53.0%
Leadership opportunities	43.9%
Summer activities	37.9%



Support Needed	(%)
Career exploration activities	54.5%
Test preparation	48.5%
Assistance with the college entrance process	54.5%
Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA)	53.0%
Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish)	25.8%
Other Japanese;	