



School Name/Code	Survey Type	Grade Level	Number of Respondents (N)
Valley High School / 020507	Student Survey	12	66

School Level Response Rates:

Surveys Administered	74
Surveys Received*	66
School Response Rate (%)	89.2%

*tables below include data only for those 64 students who provided assent.

Results (Percentages) by Survey Question

1. What is your gender?

	(%)
Female	48.4%
Male	51.6%
Other	0.0%
No Response	0.0%

2. What is your race?

	(%)
White	90.6%
Black or African American	6.3%
Asian	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0%
Two or more races	3.1%
Other	
No response	0.0%

3. What is your ethnicity?

	(%)
Hispanic or Latino	0.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	98.4%
Other	
No Response	1.6%

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

	(%)
English	100.0%
Spanish	0.0%



Other	
No Response	0.0%

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

	(%)
\$30,000 or less	10.9%
\$30,001 - \$60,000	20.3%
\$60,001 - \$100,000	14.1%
\$100,001 or more	4.7%
Don't know or I'd rather not say	50.0%
No Response	0.0%

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

	Mother (%)	Father (%)
Some high school	18.8%	15.6%
High school diploma/GED	28.1%	34.4%
Some college	15.6%	20.3%
2-year college degree	6.3%	3.1%
4-year college degree	14.1%	6.3%
Master's degree	4.7%	3.1%
Ph.D. or higher	0.0%	0.0%
Don't know	10.9%	17.2%
No Response	1.6%	0.0%

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

	(%)
0	46.9%
1	35.9%
2	6.3%
3	1.6%
4	1.6%
5 or more	0.0%
I don't have brothers or sisters	7.8%
No Response	0.0%

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

	(%)
Yes	82.8%
No	14.1%
No Response	3.1%



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

	(%)
My grades aren't good enough	33.3%
It costs too much/I can't afford it	44.4%
I need to work	33.3%
I want to work	66.7%
Family issues	0.0%
I plan to enlist in the military	11.1%
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	10.9%	29.7%	57.8%	1.6%	0.0%
English/Language Arts	20.3%	57.8%	17.2%	3.1%	1.6%
Science	26.6%	56.3%	14.1%	3.1%	0.0%
Study Skills	20.3%	51.6%	17.2%	9.4%	1.6%
Ability to pass the end-of-year tests (e.g., WESTEST 2, Smarter Balanced Assessment)	10.9%	40.6%	34.4%	12.5%	1.6%
Ability to do well in college level courses in the future	10.9%	39.1%	21.9%	26.6%	1.6%

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

	Would like to get? (%)	Expect to get? (%)
High school or less	14.1%	18.8%
Some college	14.1%	14.1%
Two-year associate's college degree	7.8%	10.9%
Four-year bachelor's college degree	35.9%	40.6%
More than a 4-year college degree	28.1%	15.6%
No Response	0.0%	0.0%

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.	7.8%	23.4%	35.9%	18.8%	14.1%	0.0%
I can get accepted to a college.	39.1%	14.1%	18.8%	9.4%	17.2%	1.6%
I can have family support for going to college.	43.8%	14.1%	21.9%	10.9%	9.4%	0.0%
I can choose a good college.	35.9%	29.7%	15.6%	10.9%	7.8%	0.0%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I can get a scholarship or grant for college.	15.6%	20.3%	21.9%	20.3%	21.9%	0.0%
I can make an educational plan that will prepare me for college.	10.9%	31.3%	25.0%	17.2%	15.6%	0.0%
I can make my family proud with my choices after high school.	53.1%	18.8%	12.5%	3.1%	12.5%	0.0%
I can choose college courses that best fit my interests.	28.1%	32.8%	21.9%	7.8%	9.4%	0.0%
I can pay for college even if my family cannot help me.	4.7%	14.1%	20.3%	42.2%	18.8%	0.0%
I can get good grades in my high school math classes.	21.9%	28.1%	23.4%	15.6%	10.9%	0.0%
I can get good grades in my high school science classes.	31.3%	26.6%	21.9%	7.8%	10.9%	1.6%
I can choose the high school classes needed to get into a good college.	18.8%	37.5%	21.9%	10.9%	10.9%	0.0%
I know enough about computers to get into college.	21.9%	21.9%	26.6%	15.6%	14.1%	0.0%
I can go to college after high school.	45.3%	25.0%	9.4%	7.8%	9.4%	3.1%

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.	6.3%	17.2%	25.0%	26.6%	23.4%	1.6%
I could get A's and B's in college.	9.4%	25.0%	34.4%	20.3%	9.4%	1.6%
I could get my family to support my wish of finishing college.	35.9%	26.6%	7.8%	7.8%	17.2%	4.7%
I could take care of myself in college.	29.7%	28.1%	18.8%	9.4%	12.5%	1.6%
I could fit in at college.	18.8%	28.1%	25.0%	10.9%	15.6%	1.6%
I could get good enough grades to get or keep a scholarship.	10.9%	25.0%	29.7%	15.6%	17.2%	1.6%
I could finish college and receive a college degree.	23.4%	32.8%	18.8%	4.7%	18.8%	1.6%
I could care for my family responsibilities while in college.	17.2%	28.1%	21.9%	10.9%	20.3%	1.6%
I could set my own schedule while in college.	15.6%	25.0%	35.9%	7.8%	14.1%	1.6%
I could make friends at college.	43.8%	17.2%	15.6%	10.9%	10.9%	1.6%
I could get the education I need for my choice of career.	31.3%	31.3%	18.8%	4.7%	12.5%	1.6%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I could get a job after I graduate from college.	35.9%	18.8%	26.6%	7.8%	9.4%	1.6%
I would like being in college.	25.0%	23.4%	23.4%	14.1%	12.5%	1.6%
I could be smart enough to finish college.	25.0%	29.7%	23.4%	7.8%	12.5%	1.6%
I could pick the right things to study at college.	23.4%	32.8%	17.2%	10.9%	14.1%	1.6%
I could do the classwork and homework assignments in college classes.	23.4%	26.6%	25.0%	9.4%	14.1%	1.6%

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

	Yes (%)	No (%)	No Response (%)
College Entrance Requirement	67.2%	32.8%	0.0%
Availability of Financial Aid	73.4%	25.0%	1.6%

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

	(%)
Yes	76.6%
No	20.3%
No Response	3.1%

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	10.9%	28.1%	31.3%
Probably	39.1%	40.6%	42.2%
Not Sure	28.1%	18.8%	15.6%
Probably Not	12.5%	6.3%	6.3%
Definitely Not	7.8%	4.7%	4.7%
No Response	1.6%	1.6%	0.0%



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	10.9%	28.1%
\$4,001 - \$8,000	18.8%	31.3%
\$8,001 - \$11,000	21.9%	23.4%
\$11,001 - \$16,000	21.9%	6.3%
\$16,001 - \$21,000	17.2%	3.1%
\$21,001 - \$26,000	1.6%	4.7%
>\$26,000	4.7%	0.0%
No response	3.1%	3.1%

*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	32.8%	31.3%	17.2%	17.2%	1.6%
College Savings Plan/529	1.6%	9.4%	29.7%	57.8%	1.6%
ACT /SAT	57.8%	18.8%	10.9%	10.9%	1.6%
WV Higher Education Grant	15.6%	18.8%	29.7%	32.8%	3.1%
Federal Pell Grants	15.6%	10.9%	34.4%	37.5%	1.6%
Federal Student Loans	28.1%	21.9%	25.0%	23.4%	1.6%
Federal Work-Study	14.1%	15.6%	35.9%	32.8%	1.6%
Scholarships	43.8%	26.6%	15.6%	12.5%	1.6%
Requirements for College Acceptance	37.5%	34.4%	12.5%	14.1%	1.6%
The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education	51.6%	26.6%	9.4%	10.9%	1.6%
High School Graduation Requirements	53.1%	26.6%	7.8%	9.4%	3.1%

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	9.4%	7.8%	7.8%
\$1,001- \$2000	14.1%	7.8%	4.7%
\$2,001-\$3,000	10.9%	23.4%	7.8%
\$3,001-\$4,000	20.3%	10.9%	10.9%
\$4,001-\$5,000	10.9%	20.3%	26.6%



	Federal Pell Grant (%)	WV Higher Education Grant (%)	PROMISE Scholarship (%)
\$5,001-\$6,000	18.8%	9.4%	10.9%
\$6,001-\$7,000	6.3%	7.8%	1.6%
>\$7,000	7.8%	10.9%	28.1%
No Response	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%

*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	35.9%	26.6%	20.3%	15.6%	1.6%
College Foundation of WV website	20.3%	29.7%	23.4%	23.4%	3.1%
Other college planning websites	9.4%	26.6%	31.3%	29.7%	3.1%
College fairs	20.3%	35.9%	21.9%	20.3%	1.6%
Television	4.7%	25.0%	20.3%	48.4%	1.6%
Radio	4.7%	14.1%	17.2%	62.5%	1.6%
Direct mail	17.2%	28.1%	20.3%	32.8%	1.6%
E-mail	23.4%	32.8%	18.8%	23.4%	1.6%
Brochures and pamphlets	17.2%	32.8%	25.0%	23.4%	1.6%
Magazines/newspapers	4.7%	14.1%	28.1%	51.6%	1.6%
Signs, posters, or billboards	4.7%	25.0%	23.4%	45.3%	1.6%
Text messages	9.4%	21.9%	20.3%	46.9%	1.6%
School counselor	51.6%	21.9%	10.9%	14.1%	1.6%
Family members	23.4%	35.9%	17.2%	21.9%	1.6%
GEAR UP staff	17.2%	18.8%	26.6%	34.4%	3.1%
College admissions representatives	26.6%	31.3%	23.4%	17.2%	1.6%

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)	32.8%
Information about participating in GEAR UP events	28.1%
Tutoring	48.4%
Opportunities to participate in college visits	45.3%
Information about college entrance requirements	42.2%
Information about college financial aid/scholarships	50.0%
Leadership opportunities	26.6%



Support Needed	(%)
Summer activities	18.8%
Career exploration activities	43.8%
Test preparation	43.8%
Assistance with the college entrance process	39.1%
Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA)	43.8%
Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish)	9.4%
Other Math	

21. Have you completed your FAFSA yet?

	(%)
No, I do not plan to complete it this academic year.	18.8%
No, but I plan to complete it this academic year.	45.3%
Yes.	34.4%
No Response	1.6%

22. Have you taken the SAT or ACT tests?

	(%)
No, and I do not plan to take either this academic year.	17.2%
No, but I plan to take SAT and/or ACT this academic year.	29.7%
Yes.	51.6%
No Response	1.6%

23. How many college applications have you completed?

	(%)
0, and I do not plan to complete any this academic year.	23.4%
0, but I plan to complete one or more this academic year.	26.6%
1.	15.6%
2 or more.	32.8%
No Response	1.6%