



School Name/Code	Survey Type	Grade Level	Number of Respondents (N)
Bluefield High School / 051502	Student Survey	9	178

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### School Level Response Rates:

Surveys Administered	199
Surveys Received*	178
<b>School Response Rate (%)</b>	<b>89.4%</b>

\*tables below include data only for those 177 students who provided assent.

### Results (Percentages) by Survey Question

#### 1. What is your gender?

	(%)
Female	42.4%
Male	57.6%
Other	0.0%
No Response	0.0%

#### 2. What is your race?

	(%)
White	62.7%
Black or African American	22.0%
Asian	0.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.1%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0%
Two or more races	11.9%
Other	
No response	1.7%

#### 3. What is your ethnicity?

	(%)
Hispanic or Latino	2.3%
Not Hispanic or Latino	90.4%
Other	white African American
No Response	7.3%



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

	(%)
English	98.9%
Spanish	0.0%
Other	Hindi
No Response	1.1%

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

	(%)
\$30,000 or less	20.3%
\$30,001 - \$60,000	18.1%
\$60,001 - \$100,000	13.0%
\$100,001 or more	3.4%
Don't know or I'd rather not say	44.6%
No Response	0.6%

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

	Mother (%)	Father (%)
Some high school	12.4%	19.2%
High school diploma/GED	22.0%	20.9%
Some college	12.4%	10.2%
2-year college degree	10.7%	3.4%
4-year college degree	10.7%	8.5%
Master's degree	7.9%	1.1%
Ph.D. or higher	0.6%	0.0%
Don't know	19.2%	32.8%
No Response	4.0%	4.0%

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

	(%)
0	45.8%
1	22.6%
2	11.3%
3	1.7%
4	1.1%
5 or more	2.3%
I don't have brothers or sisters	7.9%
No Response	7.3%

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



	(%)
Yes	83.6%
No	8.5%
No Response	7.9%

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

	(%)
My grades aren't good enough	60.0%
It costs too much/I can't afford it	73.3%
I need to work	13.3%
I want to work	40.0%
Family issues	40.0%
I plan to enlist in the military	13.3%
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	28.2%	48.6%	21.5%	1.7%	0.0%
English/Language Arts	32.2%	41.8%	16.9%	8.5%	0.6%
Science	19.8%	40.1%	31.1%	8.5%	0.6%
Study Skills	19.2%	50.3%	25.4%	4.0%	1.1%
Ability to pass the end-of-year tests (e.g., WESTEST 2, Smarter Balanced Assessment)	27.7%	49.2%	15.3%	5.6%	2.3%
Ability to do well in college level courses in the future	33.3%	35.6%	18.1%	9.6%	3.4%

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

	Would like to get? (%)	Expect to get? (%)
High school or less	9.0%	13.0%
Some college	13.6%	13.0%
Two-year associate's college degree	11.3%	13.0%
Four-year bachelor's college degree	35.6%	39.0%
More than a 4-year college degree	26.0%	17.5%
No Response	4.5%	4.5%

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.	14.1%	23.7%	34.5%	11.3%	16.4%	0.0%
I can get accepted to a college.	16.4%	34.5%	29.4%	10.7%	8.5%	0.6%
I can have family support for going to college.	43.5%	20.3%	18.6%	7.9%	8.5%	1.1%
I can choose a good college.	26.6%	39.5%	18.6%	7.9%	6.8%	0.6%
I can get a scholarship or grant for college.	9.0%	29.4%	35.0%	14.7%	10.7%	1.1%
I can make an educational plan that will prepare me for college.	9.6%	35.6%	37.3%	9.6%	7.3%	0.6%
I can make my family proud with my choices after high school.	36.2%	30.5%	19.8%	8.5%	5.1%	0.0%
I can choose college courses that best fit my interests.	25.4%	41.8%	20.3%	7.9%	4.0%	0.6%
I can pay for college even if my family cannot help me.	6.8%	18.6%	31.6%	24.9%	17.5%	0.6%
I can get good grades in my high school math classes.	20.3%	35.0%	27.1%	11.9%	5.1%	0.6%
I can get good grades in my high school science classes.	12.4%	31.6%	30.5%	15.3%	8.5%	1.7%
I can choose the high school classes needed to get into a good college.	19.8%	42.4%	23.7%	8.5%	5.1%	0.6%
I know enough about computers to get into college.	18.6%	31.1%	28.8%	11.3%	9.6%	0.6%
I can go to college after high school.	36.7%	29.9%	19.8%	7.9%	5.1%	0.6%

**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.	7.9%	20.3%	38.4%	15.8%	17.5%	0.0%
I could get A's and B's in college.	13.6%	29.4%	31.1%	15.3%	10.7%	0.0%
I could get my family to support my wish of finishing college.	46.9%	22.6%	15.3%	7.9%	7.3%	0.0%
I could take care of myself in college.	34.5%	35.0%	18.6%	5.1%	6.8%	0.0%
I could fit in at college.	24.9%	29.9%	25.4%	10.7%	9.0%	0.0%
I could get good enough grades to get or keep a scholarship.	23.7%	32.8%	26.6%	7.9%	9.0%	0.0%
I could finish college and receive a college degree.	32.2%	26.6%	26.0%	8.5%	6.2%	0.6%
I could care for my family responsibilities while in college.	16.9%	36.7%	26.0%	10.7%	8.5%	1.1%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I could set my own schedule while in college.	21.5%	33.9%	28.2%	8.5%	6.8%	1.1%
I could make friends at college.	33.9%	29.4%	20.9%	9.0%	6.2%	0.6%
I could get the education I need for my choice of career.	32.2%	37.3%	16.4%	7.9%	5.6%	0.6%
I could get a job after I graduate from college.	39.0%	29.9%	17.5%	6.2%	6.2%	1.1%
I would like being in college.	29.9%	31.1%	22.0%	7.9%	8.5%	0.6%
I could be smart enough to finish college.	31.6%	30.5%	22.0%	10.2%	5.6%	0.0%
I could pick the right things to study at college.	24.3%	37.9%	24.9%	7.3%	5.1%	0.6%
I could do the classwork and homework assignments in college classes.	27.1%	35.0%	24.9%	6.8%	5.6%	0.6%

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

	Yes (%)	No (%)	No Response (%)
College Entrance Requirement	68.9%	28.2%	2.8%
Availability of Financial Aid	60.5%	33.3%	6.2%

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

	(%)
Yes	71.2%
No	22.6%
No Response	6.2%

**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	19.8%	24.9%	25.4%
Probably	46.3%	45.8%	41.8%
Not Sure	25.4%	22.0%	27.1%
Probably Not	5.6%	4.5%	2.3%
Definitely Not	2.8%	2.8%	2.3%
No Response	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%



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	4.0%	13.6%
\$4,001 - \$8,000	23.7%	27.1%
\$8,001 - \$11,000	18.1%	19.8%
\$11,001 - \$16,000	19.8%	11.9%
\$16,001 - \$21,000	13.6%	13.0%
\$21,001 - \$26,000	7.3%	4.5%
>\$26,000	5.6%	2.3%
No response	7.9%	7.9%

\*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	10.7%	16.4%	30.5%	35.0%	7.3%
College Savings Plan/529	12.4%	22.0%	24.3%	32.8%	8.5%
ACT /SAT	24.3%	30.5%	21.5%	15.8%	7.9%
WV Higher Education Grant	11.9%	30.5%	27.1%	22.0%	8.5%
Federal Pell Grants	11.3%	23.2%	29.4%	28.2%	7.9%
Federal Student Loans	16.9%	34.5%	31.1%	10.2%	7.3%
Federal Work-Study	9.6%	27.7%	28.8%	26.0%	7.9%
Scholarships	34.5%	35.6%	19.2%	2.8%	7.9%
Requirements for College Acceptance	23.7%	38.4%	26.0%	4.5%	7.3%
The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education	45.2%	29.4%	13.6%	3.4%	8.5%
High School Graduation Requirements	42.9%	31.6%	13.6%	4.0%	7.9%

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	2.3%	0.6%	2.8%
\$1,001- \$2000	6.2%	5.6%	3.4%
\$2,001-\$3,000	10.7%	15.8%	8.5%
\$3,001-\$4,000	13.6%	12.4%	13.0%
\$4,001-\$5,000	23.2%	17.5%	17.5%
\$5,001-\$6,000	19.8%	20.3%	18.6%



	Federal Pell Grant (%)	WV Higher Education Grant (%)	PROMISE Scholarship (%)
\$6,001-\$7,000	7.9%	10.7%	9.6%
>\$7,000	8.5%	9.0%	17.5%
No Response	7.9%	7.9%	9.0%

\*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	20.9%	37.3%	28.8%	11.9%	1.1%
College Foundation of WV website	17.5%	35.6%	25.4%	19.2%	2.3%
Other college planning websites	15.8%	32.8%	31.1%	19.2%	1.1%
College fairs	11.3%	36.2%	28.8%	22.0%	1.7%
Television	12.4%	35.0%	39.0%	12.4%	1.1%
Radio	13.0%	28.2%	32.8%	24.3%	1.7%
Direct mail	14.1%	28.8%	29.4%	26.0%	1.7%
E-mail	14.1%	33.9%	24.3%	26.6%	1.1%
Brochures and pamphlets	18.1%	37.3%	30.5%	13.0%	1.1%
Magazines/newspapers	14.1%	28.2%	31.1%	25.4%	1.1%
Signs, posters, or billboards	15.8%	34.5%	34.5%	14.7%	0.6%
Text messages	13.6%	24.9%	26.6%	33.9%	1.1%
School counselor	29.4%	39.0%	20.9%	9.6%	1.1%
Family members	33.9%	37.9%	18.1%	8.5%	1.7%
GEAR UP staff	23.7%	35.0%	27.1%	12.4%	1.7%
College admissions representatives	22.6%	24.3%	33.9%	17.5%	1.7%

**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)	40.7%
Information about participating in GEAR UP events	53.7%
Tutoring	46.3%
Opportunities to participate in college visits	68.4%
Information about college entrance requirements	63.8%
Information about college financial aid/scholarships	68.9%
Leadership opportunities	36.7%
Summer activities	36.2%



Support Needed	(%)
Career exploration activities	54.8%
Test preparation	49.2%
Assistance with the college entrance process	55.4%
Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA)	46.3%
Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish)	26.0%
Other	