



County Name	Survey Type	Grade Level	Number of Respondents (N)
All Participating Schools - Year 3	Student Survey	9	2429

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### School Level Response Rates:

Surveys Administered	2912
Surveys Received*	2429
<b>School Response Rate (%)</b>	<b>83.0%</b>

\*tables below include data only for those 2401 students who provided assent.

### Results (Percentages) by Survey Question

#### 1. What is your gender?

	(%)
Female	47.3%
Male	51.4%
Other	1.0%
No Response	0.2%

#### 2. What is your race?

	(%)
White	89.3%
Black or African American	3.8%
Asian	0.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.1%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.2%
Two or more races	4.3%
Other	
No response	1.1%

#### 3. What is your ethnicity?

	(%)
Hispanic or Latino	4.4%
Not Hispanic or Latino	81.6%
Other	
No Response	14.0%



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

	(%)
English	99.0%
Spanish	0.3%
Other	
No Response	0.7%

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

	(%)
\$30,000 or less	15.5%
\$30,001 - \$60,000	18.5%
\$60,001 - \$100,000	15.4%
\$100,001 or more	5.4%
Don't know or I'd rather not say	45.0%
No Response	0.3%

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

	Mother (%)	Father (%)
Some high school	10.3%	14.2%
High school diploma/GED	26.6%	32.8%
Some college	13.3%	11.0%
2-year college degree	7.5%	5.1%
4-year college degree	14.0%	8.1%
Master's degree	6.8%	3.3%
Ph.D. or higher	1.2%	1.0%
Don't know	19.8%	23.7%
No Response	0.5%	0.6%

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

	(%)
0	56.4%
1	21.6%
2	8.3%
3	2.3%
4	1.0%
5 or more	1.8%
I don't have brothers or sisters	7.7%
No Response	1.0%

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



	(%)
Yes	87.6%
No	8.5%
No Response	3.9%

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

	(%)
My grades aren't good enough	32.8%
It costs too much/I can't afford it	35.3%
I need to work	26.5%
I want to work	55.4%
Family issues	11.3%
I plan to enlist in the military	26.0%
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	27.9%	45.5%	21.4%	4.6%	0.5%
English/Language Arts	31.1%	52.2%	11.0%	4.9%	0.8%
Science	22.7%	51.9%	18.4%	6.1%	0.9%
Study Skills	20.0%	52.4%	18.7%	7.2%	1.7%
Ability to pass the end-of-year tests (e.g., WESTEST 2, Smarter Balanced Assessment)	25.7%	49.0%	14.2%	9.2%	1.9%
Ability to do well in college level courses in the future	27.3%	46.4%	11.3%	13.3%	1.7%

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

	Would like to get? (%)	Expect to get? (%)
High school or less	7.6%	10.5%
Some college	10.5%	13.2%
Two-year associate's college degree	9.9%	15.4%
Four-year bachelor's college degree	35.0%	35.7%
More than a 4-year college degree	35.8%	23.3%
No Response	1.1%	1.9%

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.	16.7%	23.1%	29.3%	13.3%	17.0%	0.5%
I can get accepted to a college.	20.2%	29.6%	27.0%	10.4%	12.0%	0.9%
I can have family support for going to college.	45.6%	22.6%	15.8%	6.0%	8.8%	1.2%
I can choose a good college.	33.1%	33.4%	18.9%	5.3%	8.0%	1.2%
I can get a scholarship or grant for college.	13.6%	23.7%	30.7%	14.6%	16.2%	1.2%
I can make an educational plan that will prepare me for college.	15.3%	29.4%	30.7%	10.6%	12.8%	1.2%
I can make my family proud with my choices after high school.	39.9%	28.4%	17.6%	5.8%	7.5%	0.9%
I can choose college courses that best fit my interests.	30.8%	34.1%	20.8%	5.8%	7.5%	1.0%
I can pay for college even if my family cannot help me.	8.8%	15.3%	28.4%	25.6%	20.3%	1.5%
I can get good grades in my high school math classes.	23.0%	28.4%	26.8%	11.6%	9.2%	1.0%
I can get good grades in my high school science classes.	18.4%	30.8%	29.3%	10.2%	9.8%	1.6%
I can choose the high school classes needed to get into a good college.	22.4%	33.2%	25.2%	8.2%	9.7%	1.4%
I know enough about computers to get into college.	18.0%	26.4%	29.9%	12.5%	12.0%	1.2%
I can go to college after high school.	36.7%	26.4%	19.3%	6.8%	9.2%	1.6%

**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.	11.7%	20.4%	29.7%	16.8%	20.4%	1.0%
I could get A's and B's in college.	14.6%	27.0%	31.1%	12.5%	13.4%	1.4%
I could get my family to support my wish of finishing college.	43.6%	23.6%	16.6%	5.8%	9.0%	1.4%
I could take care of myself in college.	36.8%	31.7%	18.7%	4.7%	7.1%	1.1%
I could fit in at college.	28.7%	30.1%	22.0%	7.9%	9.9%	1.5%
I could get good enough grades to get or keep a scholarship.	22.0%	31.3%	25.7%	9.0%	10.5%	1.5%
I could finish college and receive a college degree.	30.6%	31.5%	21.7%	5.2%	9.5%	1.5%
I could care for my family responsibilities while in college.	22.8%	33.3%	24.1%	7.3%	10.9%	1.6%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I could set my own schedule while in college.	24.2%	32.8%	24.5%	6.0%	10.9%	1.6%
I could make friends at college.	36.0%	30.0%	18.3%	6.2%	8.0%	1.4%
I could get the education I need for my choice of career.	33.1%	32.2%	19.1%	5.0%	9.1%	1.5%
I could get a job after I graduate from college.	35.7%	31.7%	18.0%	5.1%	7.9%	1.6%
I would like being in college.	31.4%	28.8%	20.7%	7.2%	10.5%	1.5%
I could be smart enough to finish college.	29.0%	31.5%	21.0%	7.2%	9.5%	1.7%
I could pick the right things to study at college.	27.5%	33.5%	22.4%	5.4%	9.5%	1.7%
I could do the classwork and homework assignments in college classes.	27.2%	33.9%	22.4%	5.2%	9.8%	1.6%

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

	Yes (%)	No (%)	No Response (%)
College Entrance Requirement	71.3%	27.6%	1.1%
Availability of Financial Aid	66.7%	30.5%	2.8%

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

	(%)
Yes	66.4%
No	28.3%
No Response	5.3%

**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	22.4%	27.3%	29.5%
Probably	38.5%	37.7%	35.1%
Not Sure	24.7%	23.2%	24.3%
Probably Not	7.0%	5.5%	4.7%
Definitely Not	6.6%	5.0%	4.5%
No Response	0.8%	1.4%	2.0%



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	8.0%	15.4%
\$4,001 - \$8,000	17.6%	22.7%
\$8,001 - \$11,000	20.7%	22.4%
\$11,001 - \$16,000	18.1%	16.0%
\$16,001 - \$21,000	15.8%	11.0%
\$21,001 - \$26,000	10.3%	5.7%
>\$26,000	7.8%	4.7%
No response	1.6%	2.0%

\*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	7.7%	23.8%	33.2%	33.1%	2.2%
College Savings Plan/529	7.1%	24.4%	28.7%	37.2%	2.6%
ACT /SAT	19.5%	35.1%	25.4%	17.5%	2.5%
WV Higher Education Grant	10.0%	30.6%	29.6%	27.3%	2.5%
Federal Pell Grants	7.0%	23.4%	29.4%	37.4%	2.7%
Federal Student Loans	13.7%	34.2%	29.9%	19.6%	2.6%
Federal Work-Study	8.7%	25.4%	27.8%	35.4%	2.7%
Scholarships	29.3%	35.6%	21.0%	11.4%	2.7%
Requirements for College Acceptance	20.6%	36.4%	25.5%	14.8%	2.7%
The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education	37.7%	30.6%	16.8%	12.3%	2.6%
High School Graduation Requirements	36.8%	35.3%	15.6%	9.4%	2.9%

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	6.3%	4.9%	6.1%
\$1,001- \$2000	7.5%	6.6%	6.2%
\$2,001-\$3,000	13.9%	12.3%	9.7%
\$3,001-\$4,000	17.9%	17.2%	14.1%
\$4,001-\$5,000	20.6%	20.0%	17.5%
\$5,001-\$6,000	13.6%	15.9%	15.0%



	Federal Pell Grant (%)	WV Higher Education Grant (%)	PROMISE Scholarship (%)
\$6,001-\$7,000	7.1%	9.2%	11.2%
>\$7,000	9.2%	9.9%	17.3%
No Response	3.8%	4.1%	2.8%

\*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	20.2%	36.0%	25.7%	16.0%	2.0%
College Foundation of WV website	19.0%	34.3%	24.7%	19.6%	2.3%
Other college planning websites	13.4%	35.0%	27.1%	21.9%	2.6%
College fairs	15.8%	31.4%	26.3%	24.3%	2.1%
Television	14.5%	33.1%	31.6%	18.7%	2.0%
Radio	11.5%	26.5%	30.9%	28.9%	2.2%
Direct mail	13.5%	26.9%	27.1%	30.1%	2.3%
E-mail	14.1%	28.1%	26.0%	29.7%	2.2%
Brochures and pamphlets	14.4%	35.0%	28.8%	19.5%	2.2%
Magazines/newspapers	12.2%	28.6%	30.1%	26.7%	2.3%
Signs, posters, or billboards	14.2%	31.9%	31.4%	20.1%	2.4%
Text messages	13.5%	24.2%	25.4%	34.4%	2.5%
School counselor	26.3%	35.5%	21.6%	14.0%	2.6%
Family members	29.9%	34.8%	21.7%	11.2%	2.4%
GEAR UP staff	27.8%	34.4%	21.9%	13.5%	2.4%
College admissions representatives	22.2%	30.9%	24.1%	19.9%	2.8%

**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)	43.0%
Information about participating in GEAR UP events	44.1%
Tutoring	36.8%
Opportunities to participate in college visits	59.5%
Information about college entrance requirements	56.3%
Information about college financial aid/scholarships	56.4%
Leadership opportunities	37.4%
Summer activities	31.3%



Support Needed	(%)
Career exploration activities	49.2%
Test preparation	47.9%
Assistance with the college entrance process	44.9%
Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA)	42.1%
Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish)	23.1%
Other	