



School Name/Code	Survey Type	Grade Level	Number of Respondents (N)
Bluefield High School / 051502	Student Survey	12	132

School Level Response Rates:

Surveys Administered	135
Surveys Received	132
School Response Rate (%)	97.8%

Results (Percentages) by Survey Question

1. What is your gender?

	(%)
Female	37.9%
Male	62.1%
Other	0.0%
No Response	0.0%

2. What is your race?

	(%)
White	73.5%
Black or African American	18.9%
Asian	0.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.8%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.0%
Two or more races	6.8%
Other	
No response	0.0%

3. What is your ethnicity?

	(%)
Hispanic or Latino	1.5%
Not Hispanic or Latino	92.4%
Other	
No Response	6.1%

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

	(%)
English	99.2%
Spanish	0.0%
Other	

No Response	0.8%
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5. Which of the following options best describes your family's total annual income?

	(%)
\$30,000 or less	37.1%
\$30,001 - \$60,000	22.7%
\$60,001 - \$100,000	18.9%
\$100,001 or more	9.1%
Don't know or I'd rather not say	12.1%
No Response	0.0%

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

	Mother (%)	Father (%)
Some high school	12.1%	10.6%
High school diploma/GED	23.5%	37.1%
Some college	15.9%	12.9%
2-year college degree	12.9%	5.3%
4-year college degree	20.5%	9.1%
Master's degree	7.6%	5.3%
Ph.D. or higher	0.8%	2.3%
Don't know	6.8%	17.4%
No Response	0.0%	0.0%

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

	(%)
0	42.4%
1	25.8%
2	10.6%
3	5.3%
4	0.0%
5 or more	0.0%
I don't have brothers or sisters	6.1%
No Response	9.8%

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

	(%)
Yes	88.6%
No	9.1%
No Response	2.3%



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

	(%)
My grades aren't good enough	41.7%
It costs too much/I can't afford it	16.7%
I need to work	8.3%
I want to work	8.3%
Family issues	25.0%
I plan to enlist in the military	25.0%
Other	0

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	29.5%	50.0%	15.2%	3.8%	1.5%
English/Language Arts	28.8%	52.3%	13.6%	3.0%	2.3%
Science	27.3%	50.0%	18.9%	3.0%	0.8%
Study Skills	24.2%	51.5%	16.7%	6.1%	1.5%
Ability to pass the end-of-year tests (e.g., WESTEST 2, Smarter Balanced Assessment)	29.5%	50.8%	12.1%	6.8%	0.8%
Ability to do well in college level courses in the future	32.6%	47.0%	9.8%	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	8.3%	9.8%
Some college	11.4%	12.1%
Two-year associate's college degree	9.8%	15.2%
Four-year bachelor's college degree	34.1%	36.4%
More than a 4-year college degree	35.6%	25.8%
No Response	0.8%	0.8%

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.	22.0%	18.2%	31.1%	11.4%	10.6%	6.8%
I can get accepted to a college.	36.4%	23.5%	16.7%	12.9%	3.8%	6.8%
I can have family support for going to college.	43.2%	25.8%	12.9%	6.8%	3.0%	8.3%
I can choose a good college.	42.4%	28.8%	12.9%	5.3%	1.5%	9.1%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I can get a scholarship or grant for college.	25.8%	21.2%	28.0%	11.4%	5.3%	8.3%
I can make an educational plan that will prepare me for college.	25.0%	32.6%	24.2%	7.6%	3.0%	7.6%
I can make my family proud with my choices after high school.	43.9%	30.3%	13.6%	3.8%	0.0%	8.3%
I can choose college courses that best fit my interests.	37.9%	31.8%	14.4%	7.6%	0.8%	7.6%
I can pay for college even if my family cannot help me.	12.1%	15.9%	19.7%	34.8%	9.8%	7.6%
I can get good grades in my high school math classes.	31.1%	25.0%	20.5%	12.1%	3.0%	8.3%
I can get good grades in my high school science classes.	27.3%	28.0%	28.8%	6.8%	0.8%	8.3%
I can choose the high school classes needed to get into a good college.	31.1%	33.3%	19.7%	4.5%	3.8%	7.6%
I know enough about computers to get into college.	30.3%	30.3%	18.2%	9.1%	4.5%	7.6%
I can go to college after high school.	51.5%	20.5%	10.6%	6.1%	3.8%	7.6%

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.	20.5%	14.4%	25.8%	23.5%	8.3%	7.6%
I could get A's and B's in college.	18.2%	25.0%	34.8%	10.6%	3.8%	7.6%
I could get my family to support my wish of finishing college.	44.7%	25.0%	17.4%	3.0%	2.3%	7.6%
I could take care of myself in college.	34.1%	34.8%	14.4%	8.3%	0.8%	7.6%
I could fit in at college.	33.3%	28.8%	18.9%	4.5%	6.8%	7.6%
I could get good enough grades to get or keep a scholarship.	27.3%	28.0%	22.0%	11.4%	3.0%	8.3%
I could finish college and receive a college degree.	37.9%	31.8%	16.7%	4.5%	0.8%	8.3%
I could care for my family responsibilities while in college.	21.2%	37.1%	22.0%	8.3%	3.0%	8.3%
I could set my own schedule while in college.	27.3%	34.8%	26.5%	2.3%	0.8%	8.3%
I could make friends at college.	40.2%	32.6%	13.6%	5.3%	0.0%	8.3%
I could get the education I need for my choice of career.	41.7%	29.5%	17.4%	3.0%	0.0%	8.3%



	Very Sure (%)	Sure (%)	Somewhat Sure (%)	Not at all Sure (%)	Don't Know (%)	No Response (%)
I could get a job after I graduate from college.	40.2%	31.1%	9.1%	8.3%	3.0%	8.3%
I would like being in college.	31.8%	30.3%	15.2%	6.1%	6.8%	9.8%
I could be smart enough to finish college.	33.3%	36.4%	13.6%	7.6%	0.8%	8.3%
I could pick the right things to study at college.	31.8%	34.8%	19.7%	3.8%	1.5%	8.3%
I could do the classwork and homework assignments in college classes.	28.8%	43.9%	12.1%	3.8%	2.3%	9.1%

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

	Yes (%)	No (%)	No Response (%)
College Entrance Requirement	81.8%	18.2%	0.0%
Availability of Financial Aid	87.1%	11.4%	1.5%

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

	(%)
Yes	81.1%
No	15.9%
No Response	3.0%

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	31.1%	37.1%	37.1%
Probably	40.9%	40.9%	41.7%
Not Sure	19.7%	16.7%	17.4%
Probably Not	5.3%	4.5%	2.3%
Definitely Not	2.3%	0.0%	0.8%
No Response	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%



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	7.6%	35.6%
\$4,001 - \$8,000	37.1%	28.8%
\$8,001 - \$11,000	22.7%	16.7%
\$11,001 - \$16,000	14.4%	9.8%
\$16,001 - \$21,000	10.6%	3.8%
\$21,001 - \$26,000	3.8%	2.3%
>\$26,000	2.3%	1.5%
No response	1.5%	1.5%

*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	43.9%	31.1%	11.4%	6.1%	7.6%
College Savings Plan/529	18.2%	18.9%	20.5%	34.1%	8.3%
ACT /SAT	62.1%	25.8%	4.5%	0.8%	6.8%
WV Higher Education Grant	27.3%	22.7%	24.2%	18.9%	6.8%
Federal Pell Grants	24.2%	21.2%	29.5%	18.2%	6.8%
Federal Student Loans	28.0%	29.5%	23.5%	11.4%	7.6%
Federal Work-Study	21.2%	18.9%	26.5%	25.8%	7.6%
Scholarships	50.0%	27.3%	12.1%	3.8%	6.8%
Requirements for College Acceptance	45.5%	32.6%	12.1%	3.0%	6.8%
The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education	58.3%	22.0%	7.6%	4.5%	7.6%
High School Graduation Requirements	64.4%	22.7%	4.5%	1.5%	6.8%

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	3.0%	3.0%	1.5%
\$1,001- \$2000	6.1%	3.0%	6.1%
\$2,001-\$3,000	7.6%	25.0%	3.0%
\$3,001-\$4,000	22.7%	13.6%	7.6%
\$4,001-\$5,000	22.7%	19.7%	37.9%



	Federal Pell Grant (%)	WV Higher Education Grant (%)	PROMISE Scholarship (%)
\$5,001-\$6,000	16.7%	12.1%	9.1%
\$6,001-\$7,000	8.3%	8.3%	6.8%
>\$7,000	9.1%	12.1%	26.5%
No Response	3.8%	3.0%	1.5%

*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	40.2%	27.3%	16.7%	8.3%	7.6%
College Foundation of WV website	34.1%	31.1%	18.2%	9.1%	7.6%
Other college planning websites	23.5%	35.6%	21.2%	12.9%	6.8%
College fairs	34.8%	28.8%	18.2%	9.8%	8.3%
Television	17.4%	22.7%	29.5%	23.5%	6.8%
Radio	14.4%	17.4%	23.5%	36.4%	8.3%
Direct mail	37.1%	26.5%	15.2%	14.4%	6.8%
E-mail	38.6%	30.3%	14.4%	9.8%	6.8%
Brochures and pamphlets	28.8%	30.3%	22.7%	10.6%	7.6%
Magazines/newspapers	20.5%	19.7%	22.7%	30.3%	6.8%
Signs, posters, or billboards	18.9%	18.9%	26.5%	28.8%	6.8%
Text messages	22.0%	25.8%	19.7%	25.0%	7.6%
School counselor	52.3%	28.8%	7.6%	4.5%	6.8%
Family members	37.1%	34.8%	12.9%	8.3%	6.8%
GEAR UP staff	23.5%	26.5%	15.2%	27.3%	7.6%
College admissions representatives	39.4%	25.8%	16.7%	10.6%	7.6%

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)	26.5%
Information about participating in GEAR UP events	35.6%
Tutoring	33.3%
Opportunities to participate in college visits	52.3%
Information about college entrance requirements	51.5%
Information about college financial aid/scholarships	57.6%
Leadership opportunities	33.3%



Support Needed	(%)
Summer activities	25.0%
Career exploration activities	42.4%
Test preparation	41.7%
Assistance with the college entrance process	43.9%
Assistance with completing financial aid forms (e.g., FAFSA)	47.0%
Information and events presented in other languages (e.g., Spanish)	11.4%
Other learn about colleges earlier and what it takes to get in and requirements for scholarships; Money; Money, and a major MONEY	

21. Have you completed your FAFSA yet?

	(%)
No, I do not plan to complete it this academic year.	12.1%
No, but I plan to complete it this academic year.	44.7%
Yes.	42.4%
No Response	0.8%

22. Have you taken the SAT or ACT tests?

	(%)
No, and I do not plan to take either this academic year.	3.8%
No, but I plan to take SAT and/or ACT this academic year.	29.5%
Yes.	65.2%
No Response	1.5%

23. How many college applications have you completed?

	(%)
0, and I do not plan to complete any this academic year.	5.3%
0, but I plan to complete one or more this academic year.	13.6%
1.	22.0%
2 or more.	58.3%
No Response	0.8%