



School Name/Code	Survey Type	Grade Level	Number of Respondents (N)
Bluefield High School / 051502	Student Survey	10	143

School Level Response Rates:

Surveys Administered	153
Grade 10 Surveys Received	143
School Response Rate (%)*	93.5%

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

Results (Percentages) by Survey Question

1. What is your gender?

	(%)
Male	53.1%
Female	46.2%
Other	0.0%
No Response	0.7%

2. What is your race?

	(%)
White	64.3%
Black or African American	25.2%
Asian	0.7%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.4%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.7%
Two or more races	6.3%
Other	
No response	1.4%

3. What is your ethnicity?

	(%)
Hispanic or Latino	4.2%
Not Hispanic or Latino	69.2%
Other	
African American And Hatian	
No Response	26.6%



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

	(%)
English	99.3%
Spanish	0.0%
Other	
No Response	0.7%

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

	(%)
\$30,000 or less	18.2%
\$30,001 - \$60,000	18.9%
\$60,001 - \$100,000	16.1%
\$100,001 or more	5.6%
Don't know or I'd rather not say	41.3%
No Response	0.0%

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

	Mother (%)	Father (%)
Some high school	7.7%	11.2%
High school diploma/GED	19.6%	25.9%
Some college (less than a 2- or 4-year degree, e.g., certificate or career/tech. cert.)	14.0%	10.5%
2-year college degree (Associate's)	6.3%	4.2%
4-year college degree (Bachelor's)	14.7%	9.1%
Master's degree	10.5%	2.8%
Ph.D. or higher	0.0%	0.0%
Don't know	23.1%	32.2%
No Response	4.2%	4.2%

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

	(%)
0	34.3%
1	31.5%
2	13.3%
3	2.1%
4	2.8%
5 or more	3.5%



I don't have brothers or sisters	9.1%
No Response	3.5%

8. 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	33.6%	44.1%	15.4%	3.5%	3.5%
English/Language Arts	33.6%	49.0%	10.5%	3.5%	3.5%
Science	16.8%	52.4%	22.4%	3.5%	4.9%
Study Skills	16.1%	53.1%	22.4%	4.9%	3.5%
Ability to pass the end-of-year tests	25.2%	51.7%	11.2%	8.4%	3.5%
Ability to do well in college level courses in the future	25.2%	50.3%	11.2%	8.4%	4.9%
Ability to pass college entrance exams in the future (e.g., ACT)	13.3%	20.3%	44.8%	16.1%	5.6%

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

	(%)
Yes	86.7%
No	11.2%
No Response	2.1%

9b. If you answered No, what are your main reasons you do not plan to continue your education?

	(%)
My grades aren't good enough	2.8%
It costs too much/I can't afford it	2.1%
I need to work	2.8%
I want to work	3.5%
Family issues	1.4%
I plan to enlist in the military	2.1%
Other: i dont see the point and i want to travel not be held down for schooling for another 2-1 yrs; dislike of school; don't like school; don't like to school;	



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

	Would like to get? (%)	Expect to get? (%)
High school or less	4.9%	5.6%
Some college (less than a 2- or 4-year degree, e.g., certificate or career/tech. cert.)	8.4%	10.5%
2-year college degree (Associate's)	9.1%	20.3%
4-year college degree (Bachelor's)	42.7%	39.9%
More than a 4-year college degree	29.4%	18.2%
No Response	5.6%	5.6%

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.	16.8%	22.4%	33.6%	9.8%	13.3%	4.2%
I can get accepted to a college.	21.7%	32.2%	25.2%	9.1%	7.7%	4.2%
I can have family support for going to college.	46.2%	18.9%	21.7%	5.6%	3.5%	4.2%
I can choose a good college.	30.1%	35.0%	22.4%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%
I can get a scholarship or grant for college.	14.7%	27.3%	35.0%	10.5%	8.4%	4.2%
I can make an educational plan that will prepare me for college.	20.3%	28.0%	35.0%	5.6%	7.0%	4.2%
I can make my family proud with my choices after high school.	42.7%	27.3%	20.3%	2.8%	3.5%	3.5%
I can choose college courses that best fit my interests.	30.8%	30.8%	28.0%	2.8%	4.2%	3.5%
I can pay for college even if my family cannot help me.	11.2%	19.6%	29.4%	21.0%	15.4%	3.5%
I can get good grades in my high school math classes.	27.3%	32.9%	25.9%	6.3%	3.5%	4.2%
I can get good grades in my high school science classes.	15.4%	29.4%	35.7%	9.8%	5.6%	4.2%
I can choose the high school classes needed to get into a good college.	23.8%	32.9%	32.2%	2.8%	4.9%	3.5%
I know enough about computers to get into college.	16.8%	32.2%	28.7%	7.7%	11.2%	3.5%
I can go to college after high school.	37.1%	28.7%	23.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%



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.	10.5%	20.3%	34.3%	17.5%	14.0%	3.5%
I could get A's and B's in college.	10.5%	31.5%	37.8%	11.9%	4.9%	3.5%
I could get my family to support my wish of finishing college.	37.8%	25.9%	23.8%	4.2%	2.8%	5.6%
I could take care of myself in college.	28.7%	37.8%	21.7%	4.2%	4.2%	3.5%
I could fit in at college.	29.4%	26.6%	30.1%	6.3%	4.2%	3.5%
I could get good enough grades to get or keep a scholarship.	22.4%	33.6%	25.2%	8.4%	7.0%	3.5%
I could finish college and receive a college degree.	26.6%	35.7%	28.0%	3.5%	2.8%	3.5%
I could care for my family responsibilities while in college.	18.9%	35.0%	30.1%	7.0%	4.9%	4.2%
I could set my own schedule while in college.	21.0%	35.0%	31.5%	2.8%	5.6%	4.2%
I could make friends at college.	30.8%	34.3%	22.4%	4.9%	4.2%	3.5%
I could get the education I need for my choice of career.	29.4%	36.4%	24.5%	2.8%	3.5%	3.5%
I could get a job after I graduate from college.	31.5%	36.4%	20.3%	4.9%	3.5%	3.5%
I would like being in college.	26.6%	30.8%	30.8%	2.8%	5.6%	3.5%
I could be smart enough to finish college.	28.0%	37.8%	21.7%	4.9%	4.2%	3.5%
I could pick the right things to study at college.	25.9%	35.0%	28.0%	3.5%	4.2%	3.5%
I could do the classwork and homework assignments in college classes.	28.0%	40.6%	22.4%	2.8%	2.1%	4.2%

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

	Yes (%)	No (%)	No Response (%)
College Entrance Requirement?	69.9%	25.2%	4.9%
Availability of Financial Aid to help pay for college?	68.5%	25.2%	6.3%

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

	(%)
Yes	68.5%
No	23.8%
No Response	7.7%



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	25.2%	23.8%	25.9%
Probably	38.5%	41.3%	40.6%
Not Sure	25.2%	21.7%	22.4%
Probably Not	4.9%	4.9%	4.2%
Definitely Not	2.1%	3.5%	2.8%
No Response	4.2%	4.9%	4.2%

16. On average, how much do you think it costs for one year of in-state tuition to attend the following college options in West Virginia? (your estimate should not include the cost of food, housing, or books).

	4-year University or College (%)	Public Community or Technical College (%)
Up to \$4,000	4.9%	18.2%
\$4,001 - \$8,000	18.2%	25.2%
\$8,001 - \$11,000	26.6%	14.0%
\$11,001 - \$16,000	21.0%	11.9%
\$16,001 - \$21,000	11.9%	13.3%
\$21,001 - \$26,000	9.1%	7.0%
>\$26,000	3.5%	2.8%
No response	4.9%	7.7%

*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 (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)	10.5%	26.6%	25.2%	27.3%	10.5%
College Savings Plan/529	12.6%	23.8%	22.4%	31.5%	9.8%
ACT /SAT	18.9%	40.6%	21.0%	8.4%	11.2%
WV Higher Education Grant	15.4%	27.3%	27.3%	18.9%	11.2%
Federal Pell Grants	11.9%	23.1%	23.1%	30.8%	11.2%
Federal Student Loans	16.1%	32.2%	26.6%	14.0%	11.2%
Federal Work-Study	14.7%	21.7%	23.1%	29.4%	11.2%
Scholarships (e.g., PROMISE or Institutional)	26.6%	37.1%	18.9%	6.3%	11.2%
Requirements for College Acceptance	21.7%	39.9%	20.3%	7.0%	11.2%
The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education	38.5%	28.7%	14.7%	7.0%	11.2%
High School Graduation Requirements	30.1%	37.1%	16.8%	4.2%	11.9%

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

	Federal Pell Grant (%)	WV Higher Education Grant (%)	WV PROMISE Scholarship (%)
Up to \$1,000	7.0%	4.9%	4.2%
\$1,001- \$2000	7.7%	4.2%	2.8%
\$2,001-\$3,000	18.2%	14.0%	10.5%
\$3,001-\$4,000	13.3%	30.8%	15.4%
\$4,001-\$5,000	14.7%	14.0%	22.4%
\$5,001-\$6,000	23.8%	11.2%	13.3%
\$6,001-\$7,000	6.3%	9.8%	10.5%
More than\$7,000	4.9%	3.5%	14.7%
No Response	4.2%	7.7%	6.3%

*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	21.7%	41.3%	20.3%	11.2%	5.6%
College Foundation of WV website (CFWV.com)	18.9%	37.1%	19.6%	18.9%	5.6%
Other college planning websites	18.9%	34.3%	22.4%	17.5%	7.0%
College fairs	19.6%	37.8%	18.2%	18.9%	5.6%
Television	20.3%	39.2%	21.7%	13.3%	5.6%
Radio	16.1%	29.4%	25.2%	23.8%	5.6%
Direct mail	18.2%	33.6%	21.0%	20.3%	7.0%
E-mail	17.5%	37.1%	21.7%	18.2%	5.6%
Brochures and pamphlets	17.5%	39.9%	24.5%	11.9%	6.3%
Magazines/newspapers	15.4%	35.0%	25.9%	18.2%	5.6%
Signs, posters, or billboards	16.8%	37.1%	23.1%	16.8%	6.3%
Text messages	16.8%	30.1%	23.1%	23.8%	6.3%
School counselor	30.8%	42.7%	14.7%	6.3%	5.6%
Family members	31.5%	39.9%	18.2%	4.9%	5.6%
GEAR UP staff	26.6%	40.6%	17.5%	9.8%	5.6%
College admissions representatives	22.4%	35.0%	22.4%	13.3%	7.0%
Social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, etc.)	21.0%	35.0%	24.5%	14.0%	5.6%

20. Please rate how much you think each of the following statements describes you.

	Very much like me (%)	Mostly like me (%)	Somewhat like me (%)	Not much like me (%)	Not like me at all (%)	No Response (%)
New ideas and projects sometimes distract me from previous ones.	8.4%	17.5%	33.6%	21.0%	13.3%	6.3%
Setbacks don't discourage me.	14.0%	16.1%	37.1%	16.1%	10.5%	6.3%
I have been obsessed with a certain idea or project for a short time, but later lost interest.	6.3%	14.7%	35.0%	21.0%	16.1%	7.0%
I am a hard worker.	27.3%	37.1%	21.0%	4.9%	2.1%	7.7%
I often set a goal but later choose to pursue a different one.	6.3%	15.4%	35.0%	18.9%	18.2%	6.3%
I have difficulty maintaining my focus on projects that take more than a few months to complete.	7.7%	10.5%	30.8%	25.2%	18.9%	7.0%
I finish whatever I begin.	24.5%	24.5%	30.1%	9.8%	4.9%	6.3%
I am diligent.	15.4%	26.6%	37.1%	7.7%	7.0%	6.3%