



School Name/Code	Survey Type	Grade Level	Number of Respondents (N)
All Participating Schools Year 4	Student Survey	10	2285

School Level Response Rates:

Surveys Administered	2720
Grade 10 Surveys Received	2285
School Response Rate (%)*	84.0%

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

Results (Percentages) by Survey Question

1. What is your gender?

	(%)
Male	49.3%
Female	49.0%
Other	1.3%
No Response	0.4%

2. What is your race?

	(%)
White	89.4%
Black or African American	3.8%
Asian	0.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.9%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.2%
Two or more races	4.1%
Other	Native Am; black and; ALBINO; Cuban; russian,; apache at; latin ame; haspanic;
No response	1.4%

3. What is your ethnicity?

	(%)
Hispanic or Latino	4.4%
Not Hispanic or Latino	75.3%
Other	American; ALBINO; Cuban; black; indian Caucasian; italian; African-American; African American And Haitian ; Irish
No Response	20.4%



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

	(%)
English	97.8%
Spanish	0.7%
Other	-
No Response	1.6%

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

	(%)
\$30,000 or less	16.0%
\$30,001 - \$60,000	18.3%
\$60,001 - \$100,000	16.6%
\$100,001 or more	7.0%
Don't know or I'd rather not say	41.8%
No Response	0.3%

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

	Mother (%)	Father (%)
Some high school	9.8%	12.3%
High school diploma/GED	27.7%	38.1%
Some college (less than a 2- or 4-year degree, e.g., certificate or career/tech. cert.)	14.0%	12.0%
2-year college degree (Associate's)	8.2%	4.6%
4-year college degree (Bachelor's)	15.9%	8.9%
Master's degree	7.6%	2.8%
Ph.D. or higher	1.4%	1.4%
Don't know	14.5%	19.4%
No Response	0.8%	0.5%

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

	(%)
0	52.8%
1	24.9%
2	8.2%
3	3.0%
4	1.2%
5 or more	2.1%
I don't have brothers or sisters	7.2%
No Response	0.5%



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	28.6%	44.2%	22.5%	4.1%	0.6%
English/Language Arts	30.6%	54.2%	11.1%	3.4%	0.7%
Science	21.4%	55.5%	17.4%	4.6%	1.2%
Study Skills	20.3%	53.1%	19.1%	6.2%	1.4%
Ability to pass the end-of-year tests	26.0%	50.6%	14.1%	8.1%	1.2%
Ability to do well in college level courses in the future	24.4%	50.3%	12.6%	11.5%	1.1%
Ability to pass college entrance exams in the future (e.g., ACT)	14.0%	20.0%	48.8%	15.3%	2.0%

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

	(%)
Yes	85.4%
No	9.8%
No Response	4.8%

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

	(%)
My grades aren't good enough	3.0%
It costs too much/I can't afford it	2.9%
I need to work	3.1%
I want to work	5.2%
Family issues	1.0%
I plan to enlist in the military	2.4%
Other:	cause you dont need a college degree to be a UPS driver; have a life job; I just don't want to go to college.; im tired of school i just want to work; i want to go to college; I WANNA LIVE IN A BOX; dont want to just want to do electrical work; I don't want to pay to figure out what I'm gonna be when I'm older I would rather take a job that doesn't require college.; business owner; I dont want to go; I want to become a well-known musical artist, college isn't what I need.; Id like to start a career on youtube; i dont see the point and i want to travel not be held down for schooling for another 2-1 yrs; cause just no; dislike of school; don't like school; don't like to school; i'm going into asplin; I don't want to; got job; a logger; have to have an aide; Debt; I want to go to work; not for me;

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



	Would like to get? (%)	Expect to get? (%)
High school or less	7.5%	10.3%
Some college (less than a 2- or 4-year degree, e.g., certificate or career/tech. cert.)	11.1%	13.2%
2-year college degree (Associate's)	10.9%	15.1%
4-year college degree (Bachelor's)	34.4%	35.7%
More than a 4-year college degree	35.2%	24.6%
No Response	0.9%	1.1%

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.	17.2%	24.9%	29.5%	13.0%	14.5%	0.8%
I can get accepted to a college.	21.1%	32.0%	25.1%	8.8%	12.2%	0.9%
I can have family support for going to college.	42.5%	26.5%	15.5%	6.3%	8.3%	1.0%
I can choose a good college.	31.1%	34.2%	19.6%	5.6%	8.5%	1.0%
I can get a scholarship or grant for college.	14.4%	26.1%	29.8%	14.0%	14.9%	0.9%
I can make an educational plan that will prepare me for college.	15.9%	31.0%	30.2%	9.8%	12.1%	1.0%
I can make my family proud with my choices after high school.	35.6%	32.2%	17.7%	5.6%	7.8%	1.1%
I can choose college courses that best fit my interests.	27.3%	35.4%	21.6%	5.6%	9.2%	1.0%
I can pay for college even if my family cannot help me.	9.3%	18.8%	28.9%	25.8%	16.1%	1.1%
I can get good grades in my high school math classes.	24.1%	31.1%	25.9%	9.6%	8.2%	1.1%
I can get good grades in my high school science classes.	19.1%	34.7%	27.9%	8.8%	8.3%	1.2%
I can choose the high school classes needed to get into a good college.	22.5%	34.4%	25.0%	7.3%	9.9%	1.1%
I know enough about computers to get into college.	18.8%	30.5%	26.7%	11.7%	10.8%	1.4%
I can go to college after high school.	33.6%	29.5%	19.5%	6.6%	9.6%	1.3%

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.	10.9%	23.5%	28.9%	17.6%	18.2%	1.0%
I could get A's and B's in college.	13.1%	30.5%	31.7%	11.0%	12.3%	1.3%
I could get my family to support my wish of finishing college.	37.5%	27.5%	18.9%	4.9%	9.7%	1.4%
I could take care of myself in college.	31.4%	34.7%	20.3%	3.9%	8.7%	1.1%
I could fit in at college.	25.5%	32.9%	23.2%	7.0%	10.1%	1.4%
I could get good enough grades to get or keep a scholarship.	21.1%	33.5%	25.4%	8.1%	11.2%	0.9%
I could finish college and receive a college degree.	26.7%	34.9%	22.2%	5.4%	9.8%	1.1%
I could care for my family responsibilities while in college.	21.1%	34.7%	24.6%	7.3%	11.3%	1.1%
I could set my own schedule while in college.	21.8%	35.8%	24.1%	6.5%	10.7%	1.1%
I could make friends at college.	29.8%	33.7%	19.6%	6.1%	9.8%	1.0%
I could get the education I need for my choice of career.	28.2%	35.8%	20.9%	4.4%	9.4%	1.3%
I could get a job after I graduate from college.	30.1%	35.3%	19.5%	4.7%	9.2%	1.2%
I would like being in college.	26.9%	31.2%	23.3%	6.4%	10.9%	1.3%
I could be smart enough to finish college.	27.1%	34.1%	21.8%	6.4%	9.4%	1.2%
I could pick the right things to study at college.	23.6%	36.1%	23.6%	5.6%	9.8%	1.3%
I could do the classwork and homework assignments in college classes.	24.2%	36.9%	22.0%	6.2%	9.5%	1.3%

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

	Yes (%)	No (%)	No Response (%)
College Entrance Requirement?	72.4%	26.3%	1.3%
Availability of Financial Aid to help pay for college?	68.1%	28.9%	3.0%

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

	(%)
Yes	66.2%
No	28.7%
No Response	5.2%

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	22.2%	28.2%	30.8%
Probably	40.8%	40.0%	37.7%
Not Sure	22.0%	20.0%	20.8%
Probably Not	6.8%	5.4%	4.7%
Definitely Not	7.0%	4.8%	4.2%
No Response	1.3%	1.6%	1.8%

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	10.4%	20.9%
\$4,001 - \$8,000	18.8%	22.6%
\$8,001 - \$11,000	21.0%	19.0%
\$11,001 - \$16,000	16.2%	15.4%
\$16,001 - \$21,000	14.9%	9.3%
\$21,001 - \$26,000	9.3%	4.1%
>\$26,000	7.2%	3.2%
No response	2.3%	5.5%

*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 (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)	7.7%	31.1%	32.1%	26.8%	2.3%
College Savings Plan/529	5.4%	25.6%	32.2%	34.4%	2.4%
ACT /SAT	19.6%	40.6%	25.9%	11.6%	2.4%
WV Higher Education Grant	9.2%	32.0%	31.6%	24.9%	2.3%
Federal Pell Grants	6.4%	28.4%	29.9%	32.8%	2.5%
Federal Student Loans	11.2%	35.3%	32.6%	18.5%	2.5%
Federal Work-Study	7.0%	26.7%	31.6%	32.3%	2.4%
Scholarships (e.g., PROMISE or Institutional)	23.7%	39.4%	23.5%	11.1%	2.4%
Requirements for College Acceptance	16.7%	39.3%	27.5%	14.0%	2.5%
The Importance/ Benefit of a College Education	33.6%	33.1%	18.9%	11.6%	2.8%
High School Graduation Requirements	34.3%	36.4%	18.2%	8.4%	2.7%

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	10.4%	7.6%	9.0%
\$1,001- \$2000	14.6%	11.0%	8.7%
\$2,001-\$3,000	19.7%	17.8%	12.1%
\$3,001-\$4,000	17.8%	21.2%	16.2%
\$4,001-\$5,000	13.6%	15.6%	16.2%
\$5,001-\$6,000	11.2%	10.4%	10.7%
\$6,001-\$7,000	4.0%	7.0%	6.9%
More than\$7,000	6.0%	5.3%	16.2%
No Response	2.9%	4.1%	3.9%

*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	18.9%	38.9%	25.9%	14.4%	2.0%
College Foundation of WV website (CFWV.com)	16.8%	37.8%	26.3%	17.1%	2.1%
Other college planning websites	12.7%	36.0%	28.1%	20.4%	2.8%
College fairs	16.7%	36.1%	24.8%	20.2%	2.2%
Television	11.4%	35.5%	30.7%	20.0%	2.4%
Radio	9.5%	29.2%	30.4%	28.4%	2.4%
Direct mail	12.4%	33.7%	25.2%	26.6%	2.1%
E-mail	13.0%	34.4%	26.1%	24.1%	2.4%
Brochures and pamphlets	14.0%	39.3%	26.7%	17.6%	2.4%
Magazines/newspapers	10.0%	31.2%	30.4%	26.2%	2.2%
Signs, posters, or billboards	11.4%	35.3%	30.8%	20.2%	2.3%
Text messages	13.0%	33.1%	24.9%	26.7%	2.3%
School counselor	23.0%	38.3%	22.1%	14.1%	2.5%
Family members	24.2%	39.6%	22.2%	11.6%	2.5%
GEAR UP staff	24.2%	37.7%	22.3%	13.2%	2.5%
College admissions representatives	19.9%	34.8%	24.6%	17.9%	2.7%
Social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, etc.)	16.8%	36.0%	26.5%	18.2%	2.5%

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.	8.5%	15.3%	42.2%	19.9%	12.0%	2.2%
Setbacks don't discourage me.	10.9%	20.4%	34.1%	20.2%	11.8%	2.5%
I have been obsessed with a certain idea or project for a short time, but later lost interest.	7.9%	16.4%	37.1%	22.6%	13.0%	3.1%
I am a hard worker.	28.4%	30.8%	27.0%	6.3%	5.3%	2.1%
I often set a goal but later choose to pursue a different one.	8.6%	17.1%	36.9%	22.8%	11.9%	2.6%
I have difficulty maintaining my focus on projects that take more than a few months to complete.	10.7%	17.5%	33.0%	23.3%	12.8%	2.6%
I finish whatever I begin.	22.7%	29.0%	32.3%	8.0%	5.5%	2.5%
I am diligent.	18.3%	25.6%	37.9%	8.7%	6.7%	2.8%