

Ford Schools 2014-15 Student Survey Results

1. What grade are you in?

| Grade | Count | Percent |
|----------|-------|---------|
| Grade 6 | 8 | 0.4% |
| Grade 7 | 523 | 27.2% |
| Grade 8 | 285 | 14.8% |
| Grade 9 | 566 | 29.5% |
| Grade 10 | 447 | 23.3% |
| Grade 11 | 72 | 3.8% |
| Grade 12 | 17 | 0.9% |
| Other | 2 | 0.1% |

2. You are . . .

| Characteristic | Count | Percent |
|---|-------|---------|
| Male | 911 | 47.5% |
| Female | 954 | 49.7% |
| Other gender identity | 21 | 1.1% |
| Prefer not to answer | 32 | 1.7% |
| Hispanic or Latino | 101 | 5.3% |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 61 | 3.2% |
| Asian | 12 | 0.6% |
| Black or African America | 18 | 0.9% |
| White | 1261 | 66.2% |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 10 | 0.5% |
| Multiethnic/Multiracial | 413 | 21.7% |
| Other | 29 | 1.5% |

3. Are you the first person in your immediate family that will go to college?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|---|-------|---------|
| Yes, I will be the first person in my family to attend college | 314 | 16.4% |
| No, I will not be the first person in my family to attend college | 1201 | 62.6% |
| I am not going to college | 94 | 4.9% |
| I don't know | 309 | 16.1% |

4. How would you rank yourself academically?

| Perceived Academic Ability | Count | Percent |
|----------------------------|-------|---------|
| "A" Students | 559 | 30.1% |
| "B" Students | 778 | 41.9% |
| "C" Students | 413 | 22.3% |
| "D" or below Students | 105 | 5.7% |

5. Do you think most of your teachers expect you to continue your education after high school?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 1444 | 75.6% |
| No | 90 | 4.7% |
| Not sure | 375 | 19.6% |

6. Do you think at least one of your parents expects you to continue your education after high school?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 1733 | 90.6% |
| No | 79 | 4.1% |
| Not sure | 100 | 5.2% |

7. Has anyone from your school or GEAR UP ever spoken with you about college entrance requirements?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 1190 | 62.6% |
| No | 712 | 37.4% |

8. Do you know what it takes to be accepted into the following types of schools?

| Type of School | Students who said "yes" | |
|--|-------------------------|---------|
| | Count | Percent |
| 4-year college | 1290 | 68.5% |
| Community college | 1303 | 69.6% |
| Technical, trade, or vocational school | 490 | 26.8% |

9. During the past year, have you discussed the requirements for getting into college with any adults in your household?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 1112 | 58.5% |
| No | 790 | 41.5% |

10. What is the highest level of education that you expect to achieve?

| Response | Count | Percent |
|---|-------|---------|
| 4-year college degree or higher | 1245 | 65.8% |
| 2-year college degree | 378 | 20.0% |
| Some college but less than a college degree | 47 | 2.5% |
| 1-year certificate | 31 | 1.6% |
| High school diploma or GED | 164 | 8.7% |
| I don't expect to finish high school | 28 | 1.5% |

11. Have you ever been on a college visit during the past 12 months?

| Type of School | Students who said "yes" | |
|--|-------------------------|---------|
| | Count | Percent |
| 4-year college | 732 | 39.8% |
| Community college | 870 | 47.7% |
| Technical, trade, or vocational school | 128 | 7.4% |

12. Roughly how much do you think it costs each year (including tuition, books, housing, and food) to attend a 4-year public university in Oregon?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|-------------------|-------|---------|
| \$10,000-\$15,000 | 92 | 4.8% |
| \$15,001-\$20,000 | 169 | 8.9% |
| \$20,001-\$25,000 | 242 | 12.7% |
| \$25,001-\$30,000 | 304 | 15.9% |
| \$30,001-\$35,000 | 354 | 18.5% |
| \$35,001-\$40,000 | 347 | 18.2% |
| I have no idea | 401 | 21.0% |

13. Do you think that you could afford to attend a public 4-year university using financial aid, scholarships, and your family's income?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| Definitely | 329 | 17.3% |
| Probably | 736 | 38.6% |
| Not sure | 483 | 25.4% |
| Probably not | 240 | 12.6% |
| Definitely not | 117 | 6.1% |

14. Has anyone from your school or GEAR UP ever spoken with you about the availability of financial aid to help you pay for college?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 840 | 44.3% |
| No | 1058 | 55.7% |

15. On a scale of 1–5, how much do you know about financial aid and the cost and benefits to you in pursuing postsecondary education (“1” = no knowledge to “5” =extremely knowledgeable)?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------------|-------|---------|
| 1 = No knowledge | 340 | 17.9% |
| 2 | 540 | 28.5% |
| 3 | 710 | 37.5% |
| 4 | 245 | 12.9% |
| 5 = Very Knowledgeable | 60 | 3.2% |

16. How often do you talk with your friends about going to college?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|-------------------------|-------|---------|
| Weekly | 210 | 11.0% |
| 2 or more times a month | 357 | 18.7% |
| About once a month | 314 | 16.5% |
| Several times a year | 330 | 17.3% |
| Almost never | 697 | 36.5% |

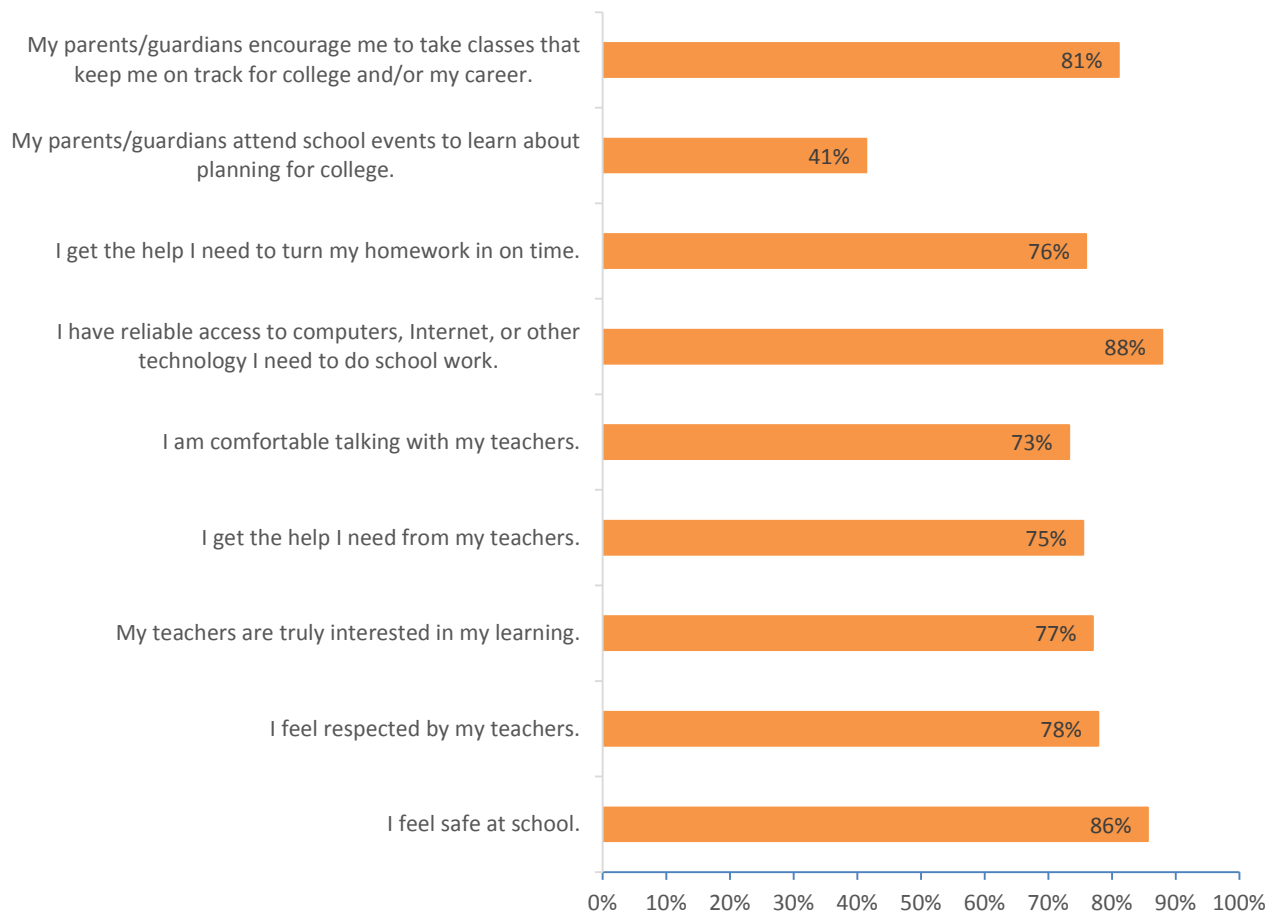
17. How many of your closest friends are planning to go to college?

| Student Response | Count | Percent |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| All | 355 | 19.2% |
| Most | 878 | 47.4% |
| Some | 558 | 30.1% |
| None | 60 | 3.2% |

18. Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree with the following statements about their school and the support they get from adults at home and in school.

| Response | Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
|---|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|
| I feel safe at school. | 26.8% | 58.9% | 10.4% | 3.9% |
| I feel respected by my teachers. | 23.9% | 54.0% | 16.1% | 6.1% |
| My teachers are truly interested in my learning. | 24.0% | 53.0% | 18.3% | 4.7% |
| I am comfortable talking with my teachers. | 21.8% | 51.5% | 19.1% | 7.7% |
| I get the help I need from my teachers. | 23.1% | 52.4% | 18.7% | 5.8% |
| I have reliable access to computers, Internet, or other technology I need to do school work. | 43.6% | 44.3% | 9.1% | 3.0% |
| I get the help I need to turn my homework in on time. | 25.1% | 50.8% | 18.4% | 5.6% |
| My parents/guardians attend school events to learn about planning for college. | 12.3% | 29.1% | 40.7% | 17.9% |
| My parents/guardians encourage me to take classes that keep me on track for college and/or my career. | 42.0% | 39.1% | 13.2% | 5.7% |

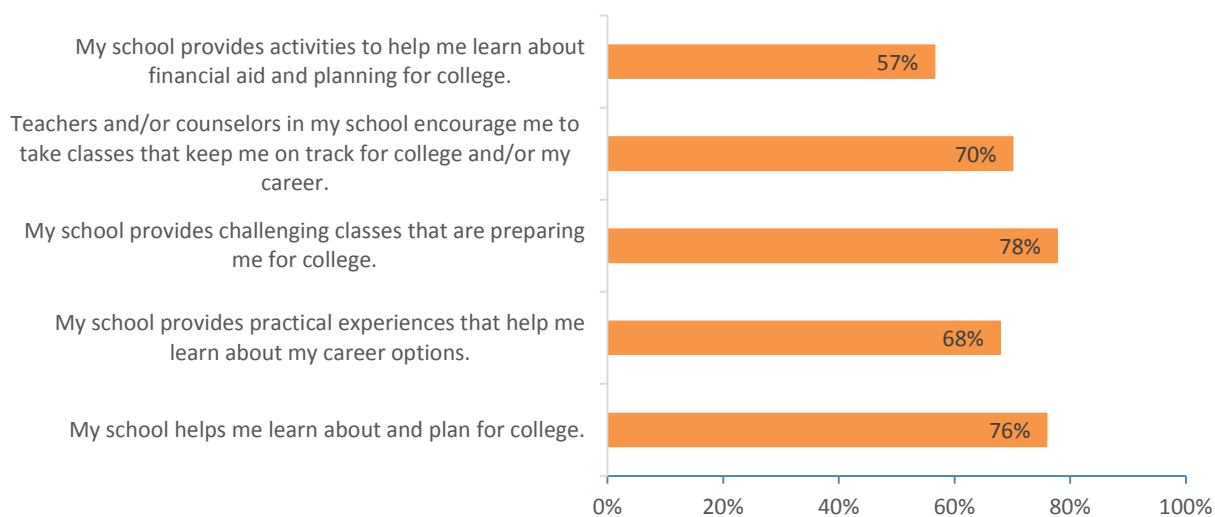
Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree with the following statements about their school and the support they get from adults at home and in school.



19. Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree with the following statements about how their school is preparing them for college or a career after high school.

| Response | Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
|--|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|
| My school helps me learn about and plan for college. | 20.3% | 55.6% | 18.4% | 5.7% |
| My school provides practical experiences that help me learn about my career options. | 15.6% | 52.3% | 25.4% | 6.7% |
| My school provides challenging classes that are preparing me for college. | 24.3% | 53.4% | 16.9% | 5.4% |
| Teachers and/or counselors in my school encourage me to take classes that keep me on track for college and/or my career. | 21.1% | 48.9% | 23.2% | 6.7% |
| My school provides activities to help me learn about financial aid and planning for college. | 11.5% | 45.0% | 32.2% | 11.2% |

Percentage of students who strongly agree or agree with the following statements about how their school is preparing them for college or a career after high school.



20. What is the main reason that you MIGHT not go on to college?

| Response | Count | Percent |
|---|-------|---------|
| Does not apply because I definitely plan to continue my education | 542 | 29.6% |
| I need or plan to work | 146 | 8.0% |
| My grades or test scores are not good enough | 297 | 16.2% |
| I do not need college to be successful in my chosen career | 86 | 4.7% |
| I want to start a family (or need to take care of my family) | 45 | 2.5% |
| It costs too much | 422 | 23.0% |
| College is too far from my home | 16 | 0.9% |
| I want to stay close to my family | 44 | 2.4% |
| I want to join the military service | 138 | 7.5% |
| Some other reason | 97 | 5.3% |

21. SENIORS ONLY: Have you applied to any college for next year?

| Response | Count | Percent |
|---|-------|---------|
| Yes, I applied to a 4-year college or university | 4 | 23.5% |
| Yes, I applied to a community college | 8 | 47.1% |
| Yes, I applied to a trade, technical, or vocational school | 0 | 0.0% |
| No, but I plan to apply | 2 | 11.8% |
| No, I don't plan on continuing my education after high school | 3 | 17.6% |