

# 2020-21 GEAR UP STUDENT SURVEY



Thank you for your participation in our GEAR UP Student Survey! This survey will ask questions about you, your school, and your experience with college and career preparation. **The information you provide is confidential and will be kept private, so please answer honestly.** This survey is anonymous; GEAR UP will not share your individual responses or ask for information that could identify you. By completing this survey, you agree to participate. To learn more about Oregon GEAR UP, please visit [oregongearup.org](http://oregongearup.org)

1. What is the name of your school? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What grade are you in?

- 6th Grade       8th Grade       10th Grade       12th Grade  
 7th Grade       9th Grade       11th Grade       Other

3. Are you?  Male       Female       Other gender identity       Prefer not to answer

4. How do you describe yourself? Check all that apply.

- American Indian or Alaska Native       Multiethnic/Multiracial  
 Asian       Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  
 Black or African American       White  
 Latino or Hispanic       Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Has at least one of your parents/guardians attended college?

- Yes       No       Not sure

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

- Yes       No       Not sure

7. Do you know what it would take for you to be accepted into the following types of schools (for example, the type of requirements needed)?

	Yes, I know all the requirements	I know some, but not all requirements	No, I do not know the requirements
4-year college or university	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community college	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Technical, trade, or vocational school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. What is the highest level of education that you expect to achieve? (CHECK ONE)

- 4-year college degree or higher       1-year trade school or certificate  
 2-year college degree       High school diploma or GED  
 Some college but less than a degree       I don't expect to finish high school

9. 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?

- \$10,000 - \$15,000       \$20,001 - \$25,000       \$30,001 - \$35,000       I have no idea  
 \$15,001 - \$20,000       \$25,001 - \$30,000       \$35,001 - \$40,000

10. Roughly, how much do you think it costs each year (including tuition, books, housing, and food) to attend a 2-year community college in Oregon?

- \$10,000 - \$15,000     
 \$20,001 - \$25,000     
 \$30,001 - \$35,000     
 I have no idea  
 \$15,001 - \$20,000     
 \$25,001 - \$30,000     
 \$35,001 - \$40,000

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

- Definitely     
 Probably     
 Not sure     
 Probably not     
 Definitely not

12. To what extent are you knowledgeable about the following resources to help pay for college?

	I know a lot about this	I know a little about this	I know very little or nothing about this
Grants	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Scholarships	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Private loans	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Federal loans	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Federal work-study programs and campus jobs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
FAFSA/ORSA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
OSAC Scholarships	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Oregon Promise	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

13. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your school?

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The staff at this school cares about me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My school helps me figure out which <u>careers</u> match my interests and abilities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My school helps me figure out which <u>colleges</u> match my interests and abilities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I will use what I am learning in school in my career/work in the future.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My school helps me learn how to work toward achieving a career I want.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My school helps me organize and plan for what I will do the next day or the following week.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My school helps me develop my budgeting and financial skills (ex. doing taxes, opening a bank account, etc.).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. In the past 12 months, have you participated in any of the following activities?

	Yes	No
Discussed college requirements and/or financial aid with GEAR UP or school staff	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Career class or lessons to learn more about potential careers of interest	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Career exploration software (ex. CIS, CIS Jr., Naviance, Career Cruising)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**15. How often do you talk with your friends about going to college? (CHECK ONE)**

- Always (weekly)                       Often (2-3 times a month)                       Sometimes (about once a month)  
 Rarely (several times a year)                       Almost never or never

**16. What is the main reason you MIGHT not go on to college or obtain a certificate/degree?**

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**17. Which of the following career fields are you most interested in learning about? (Check all that apply)**

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| <input type="radio"/> Agriculture, Farming, Fishing, Forestry, & Ranching | <input type="radio"/> Construction, Extraction, & Welding        | <input type="radio"/> Legal ( <i>lawyer, judge</i> )                    | <input type="radio"/> Sales   |
| <input type="radio"/> Architecture & Engineering                          | <input type="radio"/> Culinary Arts, Food Preparation, & Service | <input type="radio"/> Life & Physical Science                           | <input type="radio"/> Social & Community Services                       |
| <input type="radio"/> Arts, Entertainment, Music, & Sports                | <input type="radio"/> Education & Training                       | <input type="radio"/> Management  | <input type="radio"/> Social Science ( <i>psychologist, historian</i> ) |
| <input type="radio"/> Business & Financial                                | <input type="radio"/> Healthcare, Medical, & Veterinarian        | <input type="radio"/> Military  | <input type="radio"/> Transportation                                    |
| <input type="radio"/> Computers & Math                                    | <input type="radio"/> Hospitality & Tourism                      | <input type="radio"/> Office & Administrative                           | <input type="radio"/> Other: _____                                      |
|   | <input type="radio"/> Installation, Repair, & Maintenance        | <input type="radio"/> Personal Care & Service                           |   |
|   |  | <input type="radio"/> Production  |   |
|   |  | <input type="radio"/> Protective Service ( <i>police, firefighter</i> ) |   |

**18. Please select the option that best describes how you feel about the following statements:**

	Often or in many ways	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Teachers and/or counselors in my school encourage me to take classes that keep me on track for college and/or my career.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Students at my school help each other out.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My life outside of school interferes with my ability to do well in school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Teachers at this school try hard to help me learn.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel respected by my teachers.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My school provides activities to help me learn about planning or financial aid for college.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**19. How challenging have the following been for your performance or attendance in school?**

	Very challenging	Somewhat challenging	Not challenging at all
Lack of or limited internet access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of adequate technology, e.g., cell phone, computer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of space, quiet, or privacy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Feeling alone, nervous, sad, or anxious	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other, please specify: _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**20. What could your school or teachers do to help you be engaged in your classes and schoolwork?**

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**21. What could your school or teachers do to help you feel better connected with your teachers or classmates?**

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**Thank you for your participation!**