Mojave High School
2015 College & Career Aspirations Survey

Purpose of CAM Survey
• To gauge student perceptions about college and career aspirations
• To try to capture the college going culture in Nevada

About the Respondents…

2015
387 respondents¹: 49% male / 51% female
47% first generation college student
45% Latino/Hispanic
58% taking or have taken HONORS classes
34% taking or have taken ADVANCED PLACEMENT classes
12% had NOT taken college entrance exams at the time of survey completion

College Going Statistics…
• 43% report 4-year degree is highest degree goal
• 41% report AVAILABILITY OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS THAT MEET MY EDUCATIONAL GOALS is most influential factor in selecting their top college choice
• 73% plan to enroll in college after high school
  o Of those respondents that do not plan to attend college immediately after high school, 40% report “I will work first in order to save money for college tuition.”
  o Of those respondents that will join the military, serve a religious mission, or engage in community service (e.g. AmeriCorps), 92% report they “plan to enroll in college after their service.”

Financial Literacy…
• 28% report AFFORDABILITY OF A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY is most influential factor in selecting their top college choice
• 81% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE attending college will allow them to get ahead in life and more money
• 73% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE attending college will allow them to help their family financially
• 90% plan to apply for the FAFSA
  o Of those respondents that do not plan to apply, 39% report “I don’t know what FAFSA is.”

The High School Experience…
• 70% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE that their teachers believe they can succeed in college.
  o 70% report TEACHERS encourage students to attend college
• 38% report a COUNSELOR has provided college/career advice
• 41% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE that their school has RIGOROUS COURSES that prepare students for college

¹ Respondents completed survey in October 2015, during their senior year of high school. UNLV IRB approval # 1311-4613