Western 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...

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<td>452 respondents</td>
<td>50% male / 50% female</td>
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<td>57%</td>
<td>first generation college student</td>
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<td>68%</td>
<td>Latino/Hispanic</td>
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<td>61%</td>
<td>taking or have taken HONORS classes</td>
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<td>28%</td>
<td>taking or have taken ADVANCED PLACEMENT classes</td>
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<td>10%</td>
<td>had NOT taken college entrance exams at the time of survey completion</td>
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College Going Statistics...

- 43% report 4-year degree is highest degree goal
- 43% report AVAILABILITY OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS THAT MEET MY EDUCATIONAL GOALS is most influential factor in selecting their top college choice
- 78% plan to enroll in college after high school
  - Of those respondents that do not plan to attend college immediately after high school, 41% report “I will work first in order to save money for college tuition.”
  - Of those respondents that will join the military, serve a religious mission, or engage in community service (e.g. AmeriCorps), 88% report they plan to enroll in college after their service.

Financial Literacy...

- 31% report AFFORDABILITY OF A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY is most influential factor in selecting their top college choice
- 85% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE attending college will allow them to get ahead in life and make more money
- 73% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE attending college will allow them to help their family financially
- Most respondents (34%) indicate they plan to pay for the majority of their college tuition by working.
- 91% plan to apply for the FAFSA
  - Of those respondents that do not plan to apply, 39% report “I plan to work and pay for my own education.”

The High School Experience...

- 66% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE that their teachers believe they can succeed in college
  - 72% report TEACHERS encourage students to attend college
- 51% report a COUNSELOR has provided college/career advice
- 41% AGREE or STRONGLY AGREE that their school has RIGOROUS COURSES that prepare students for college

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