THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

2018-2019 Senior Exit Surveys

District-Level Report

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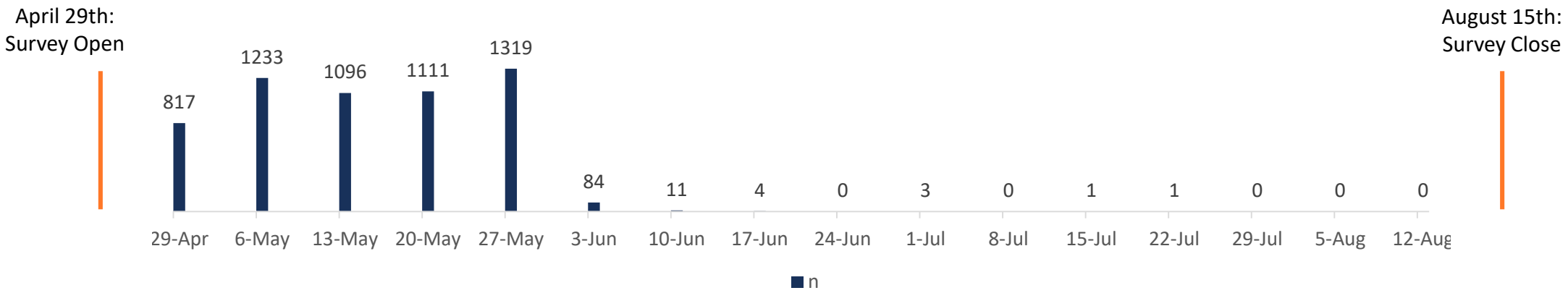
Overview: Survey Content and Purpose

- The Pennsylvania Department of Education requires each District to administer an exit survey to seniors. The primary purpose is to capture students' intentions after high school—specifically, whether they are planning to obtain additional education, employment, or to pursue other activities
- In addition, SDP's Office of Research and Evaluation, in collaboration with the offices of College and Career Readiness and Career and Technical Education (CTE), collected data on students' high school experiences and the supports they received in preparing for life after high school
    - CTE graduates were asked about their awareness of several college credit programs, as part of a larger effort to increase the utilization of these programs
    - Respondents were also asked to share their contact information (email and/or cell phone number) for the purposes of receiving a follow up study one year after graduation (92.9% of survey respondents provided contact information)

Overview of Survey Administration

- Open from April 29, 2019 to August 15, 2019
- Hosted in Survey Monkey, with bi-weekly completion data loaded into Naviance
- Students accessed a link via their student portal, which automatically reported student ID and school
- Counselors were primarily responsible for ensuring that students completed the survey
- SDP gave support with reminders, instructions, and suggestions for maximizing response rates
- Charter students were NOT included

Student Responses by Week



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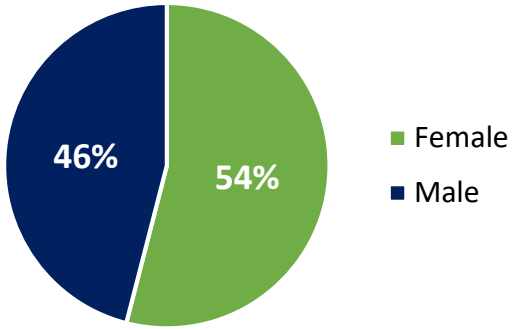

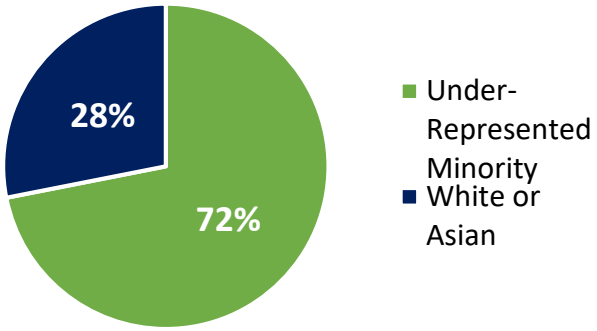

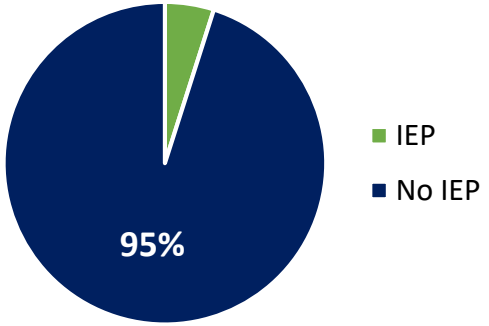

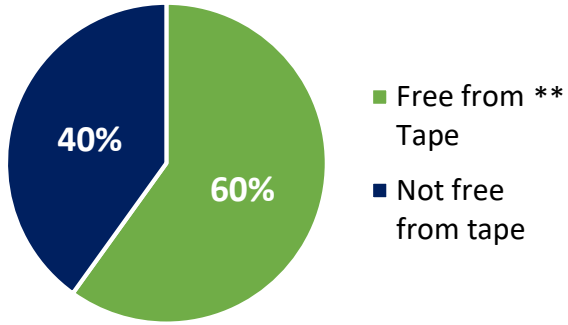

5,680 completed responses* were received from students with 12th grade status at 60 District High Schools, representing 68.1% of enrolled 12th graders*

*Response rate based on enrollment data as of April 29, 2019. School response rates ranged from 12.1 to 100%. See Appendix A for response rates by school.
**Student receives government assistance (e.g., SNAP, TANF, Medicaid)

*Completed responses only include SDP students who reported post-high school plans. Students were included in the analytic sample if they met the following criteria:

- Enrolled in any District school for all 10 school days immediately before the start date of the survey AND exited after the start date of the survey. These students were attributed to the last school attended during this 10 day window
- If a student in this category took the survey at a school that was different from their 10-day window school, then:
  - IF they were enrolled at the survey-school for at least 10 days, then their attribution was changed to the survey school.
  - IF they were NOT enrolled at the survey-school for at least 10 days, then their attribution was unchanged, and remained the 10-day window school.

Survey Results: Post-High School Intentions

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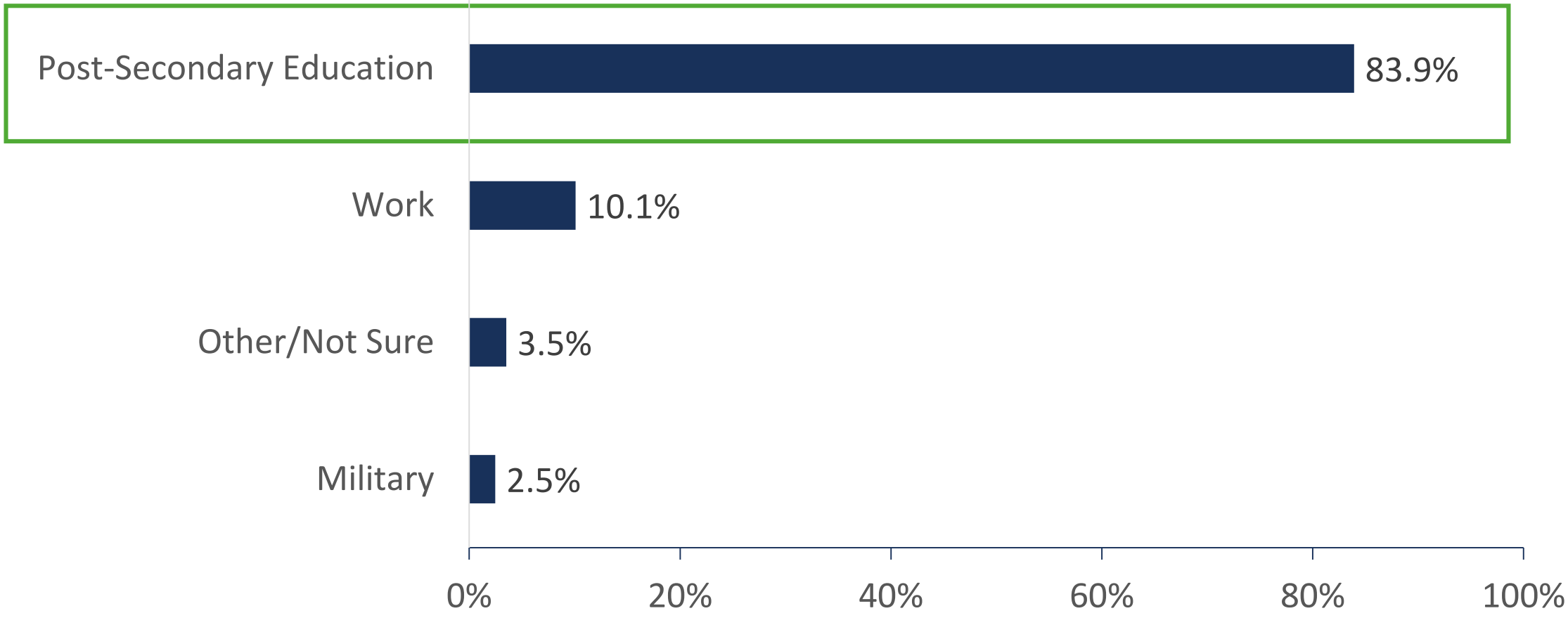

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Post-High School Intentions by Student Subgroup

Intent Category by Demographic Characteristics, n = 5,680						
		# of Students	Education	Work	Military	Other
Gender	Female	3,068	88.0%	7.1%	1.7%	3.2%
	Male	2,612	79.1%	13.6%	3.3%	3.9%
Race/Ethnicity	White	768	82.0%	11.2%	2.6%	4.2%
	Black/ African-American	2,840	84.4%	9.9%	2.5%	3.3%
	Hispanic/Latino	961	77.1%	15.2%	3.6%	4.1%
	Asian	828	89.6%	5.4%	1.1%	3.9%
	Other	283	91.2%	5.7%	1.8%	1.4%
English Language Learner	No	5,062	84.5%	9.7%	2.5%	3.2%
	Yes	618	78.3%	12.9%	2.4%	6.3%
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	Yes	279	73.5%	19.0%	3.6%	3.9%
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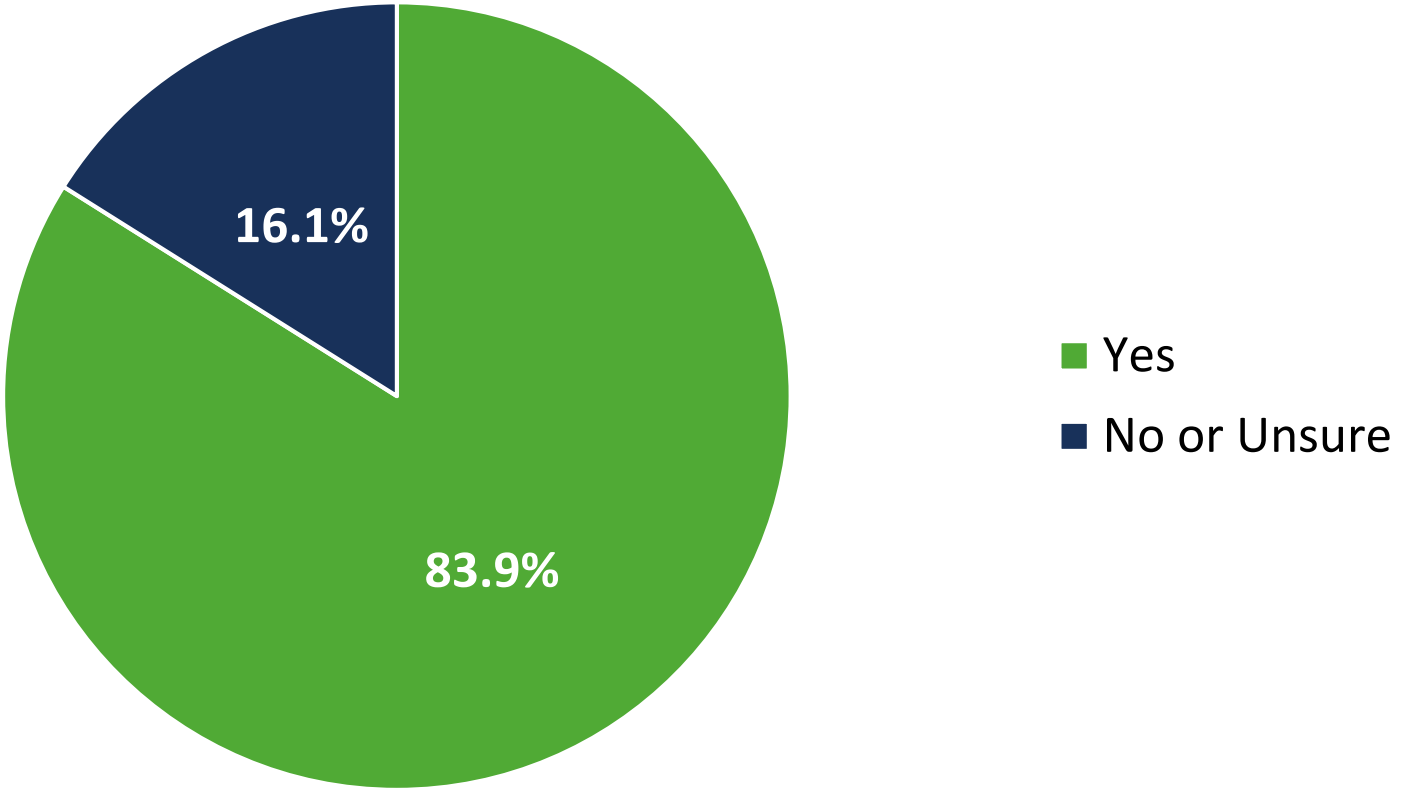
Within one year of graduating high school, do you plan on beginning any additional education, such as college, technical training, or an apprenticeship?



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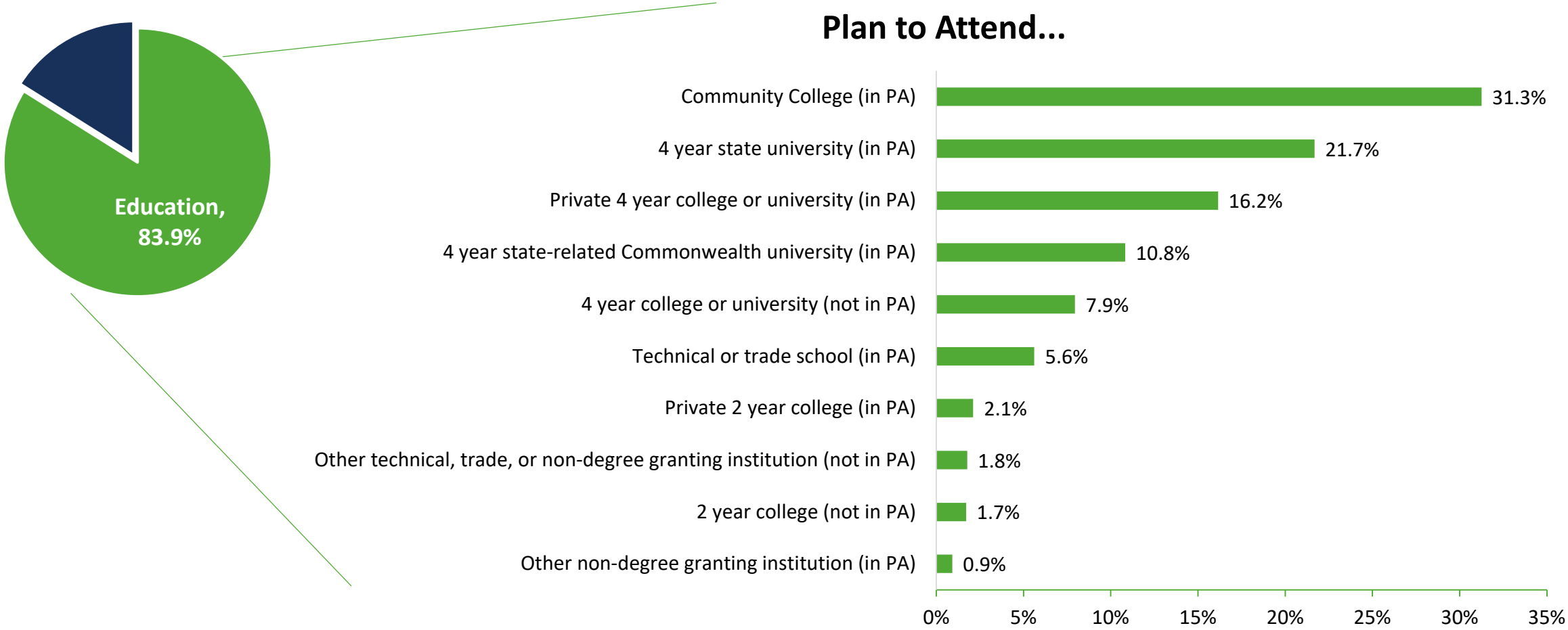

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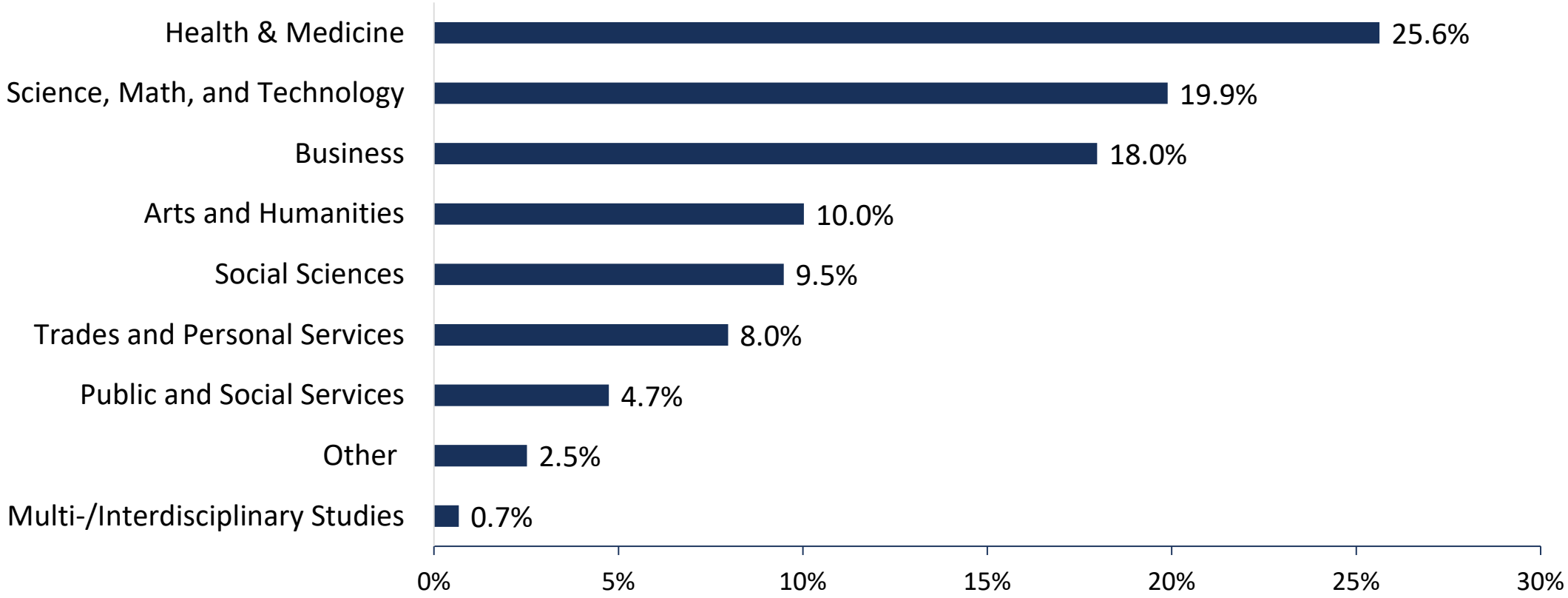
Black/African American and White students intend on a 4-year college at intermediate rates (51.3% 64.4%, respectively)

Top Intended Majors of Students Who Plan to Attend Postsecondary School within One Year



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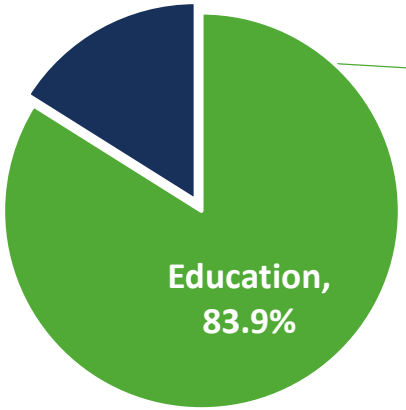

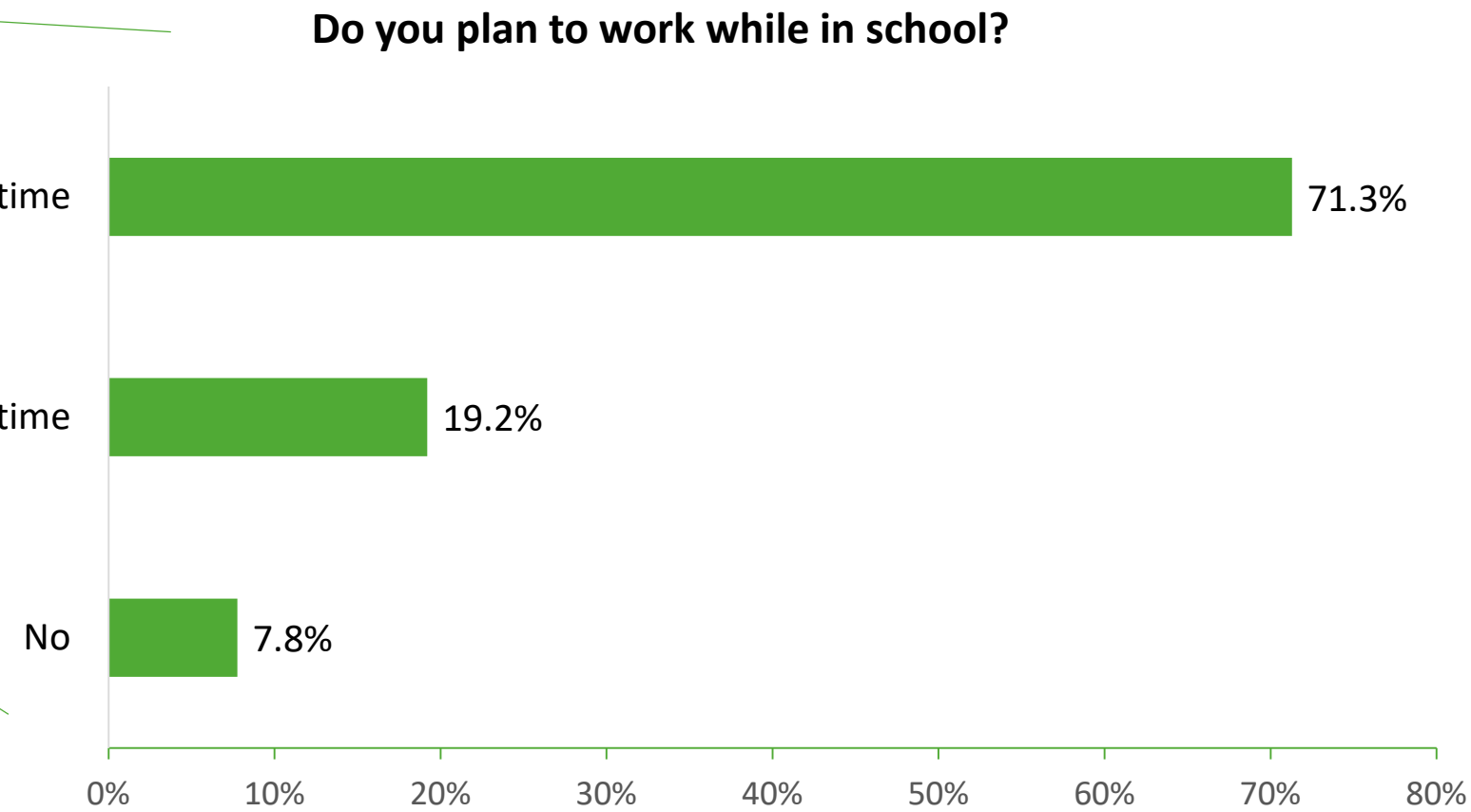

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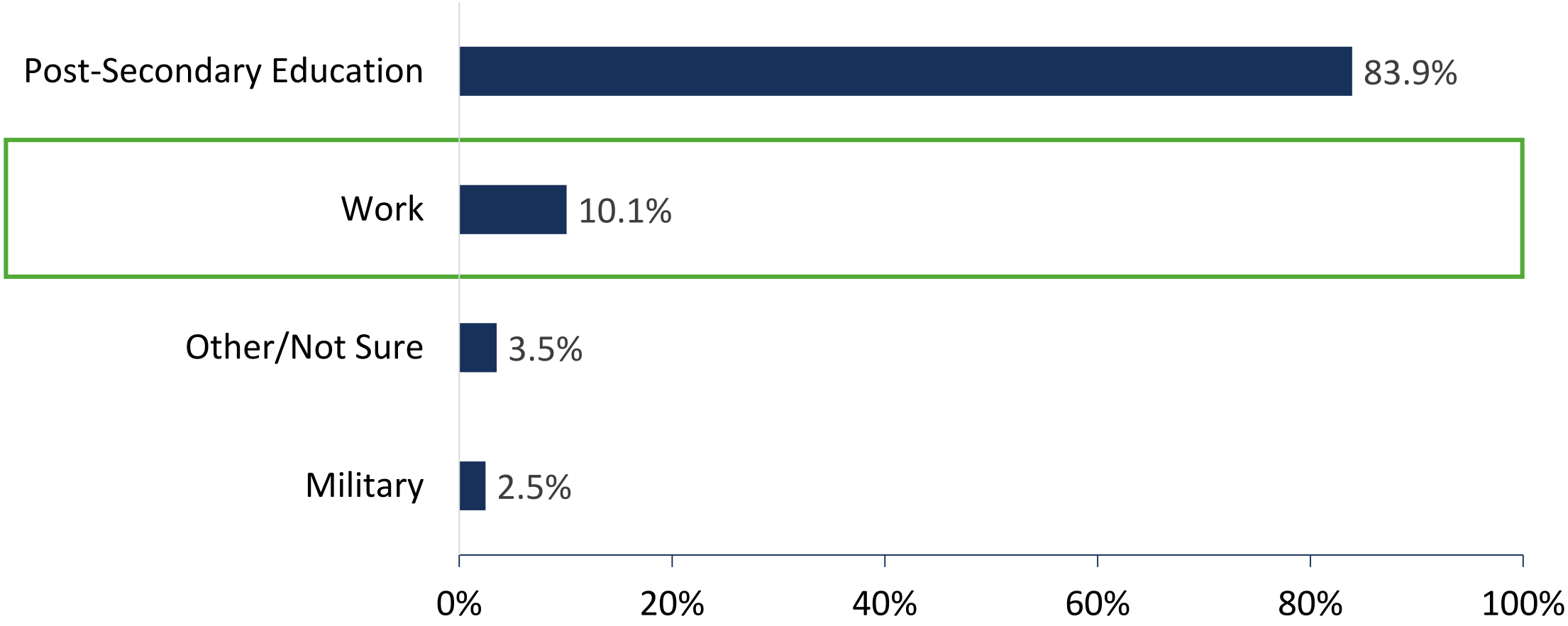

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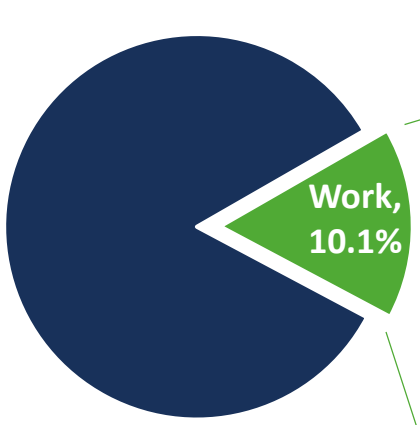

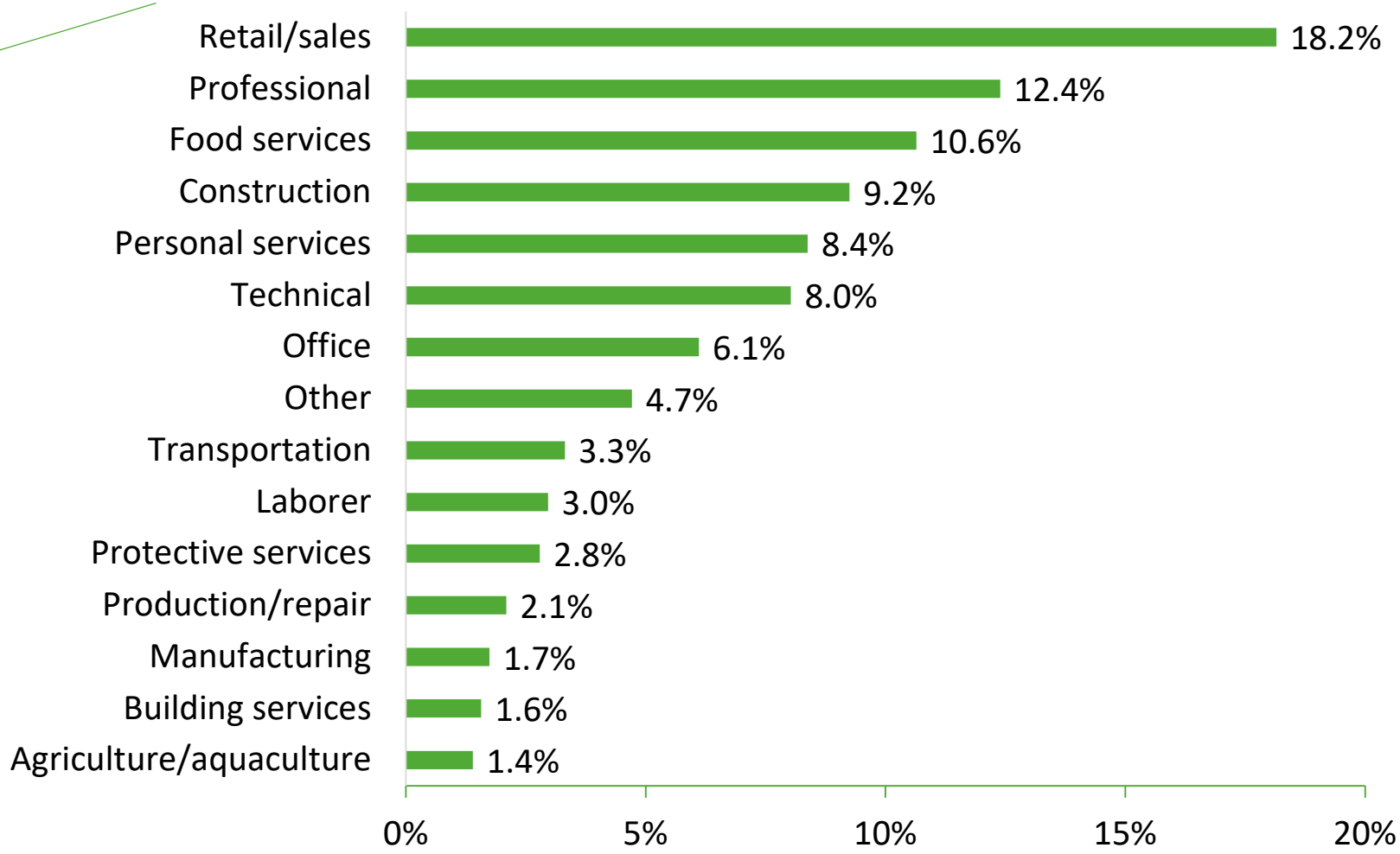

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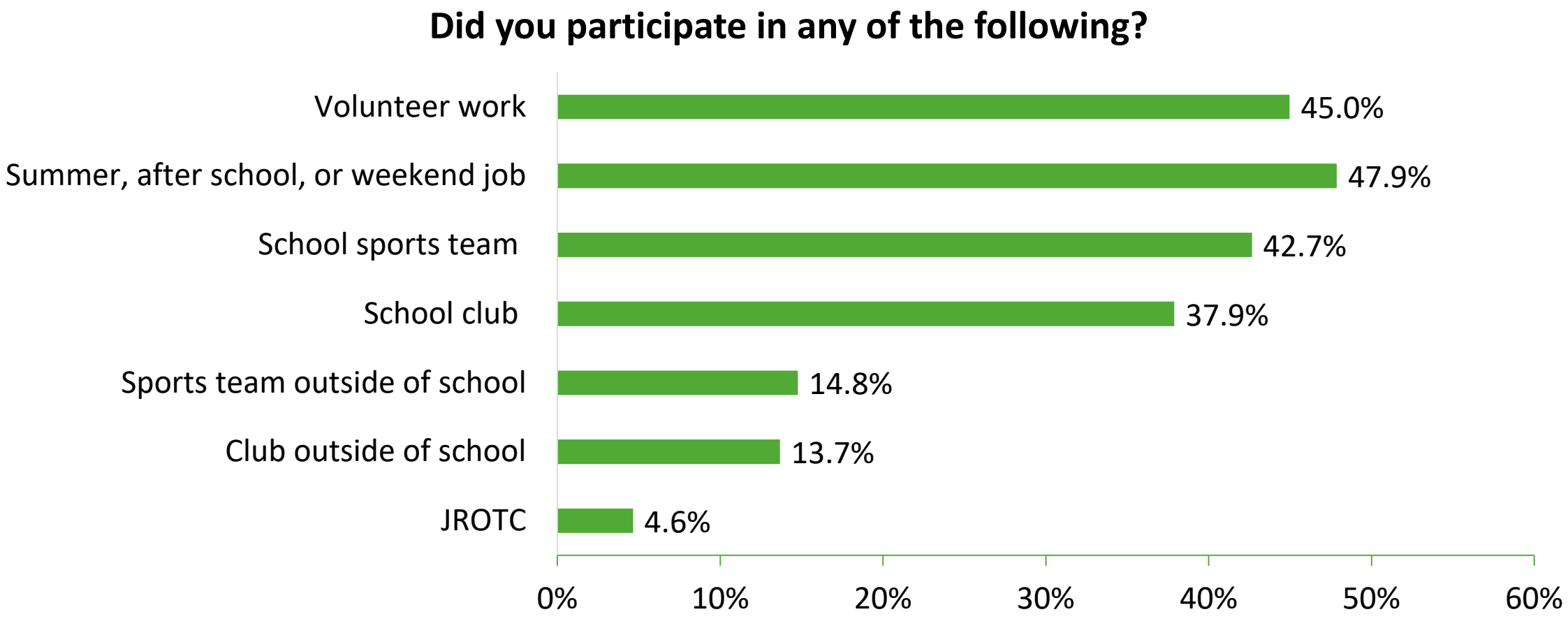
High School Experiences



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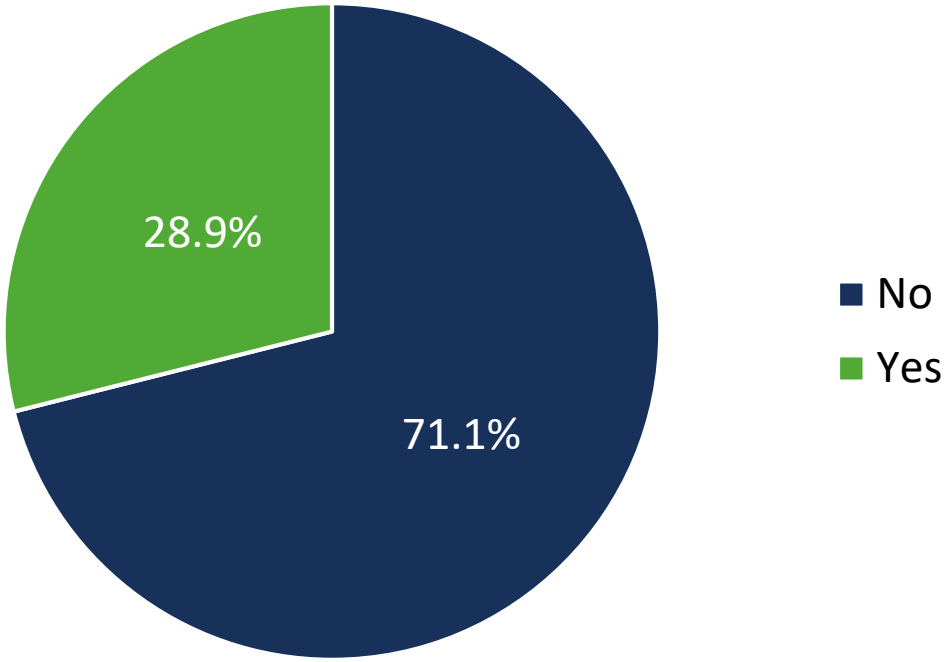
Internship Experiences

While in high school, including summers, did you participate in any internships, either paid or unpaid?



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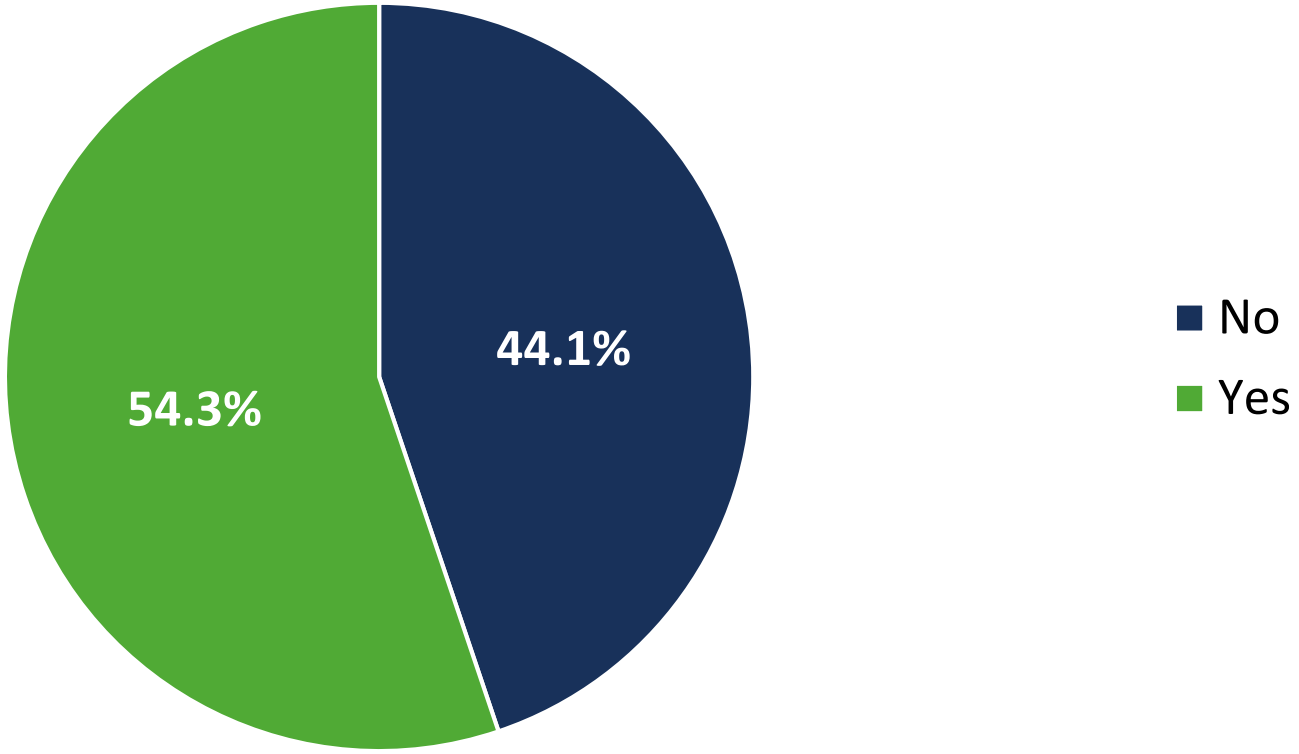
"Yes" Responses Included:

"CCAP"
"ACE"
"Academy at Natural Sciences Vertebrate Zoology Internship"
"Bloomberg Arts Internship"
"Boys & Girls Club"
"Children's Hospital of Philadelphia"
"Congreso"
"DC21"
"Free Library of Philadelphia"
"Get Healthy Philly"
"Historical Society of Pennsylvania"
"Judge Lachman Internship"
"MANNA"
"Penn Medicine"
"Philly Youth Network"
"POWER internship at Temple University"
"SHARE Food Program"
"The Franklin Institute"

CTE Graduates Only

Do your post-high school plans (such as your job or intended college major) relate to your CTE program of study?



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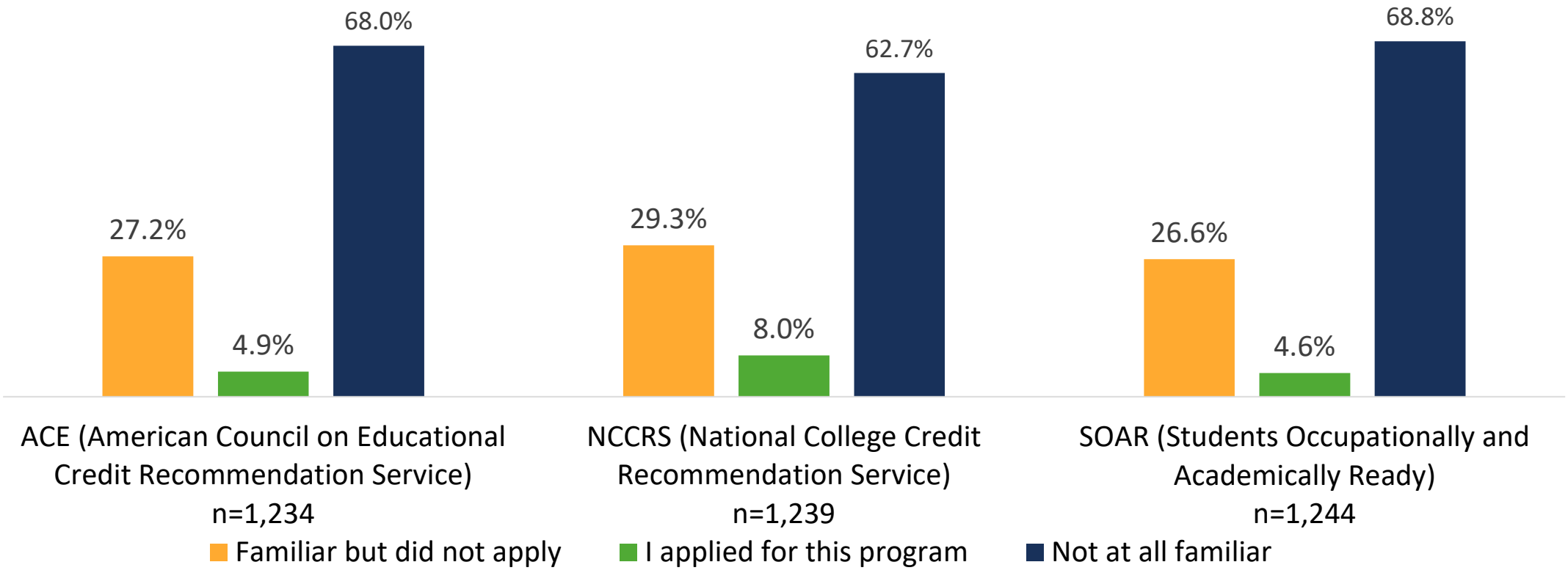
Please indicate your level of awareness of the following college credit transfer programs that may be available to qualifying CTE graduates:



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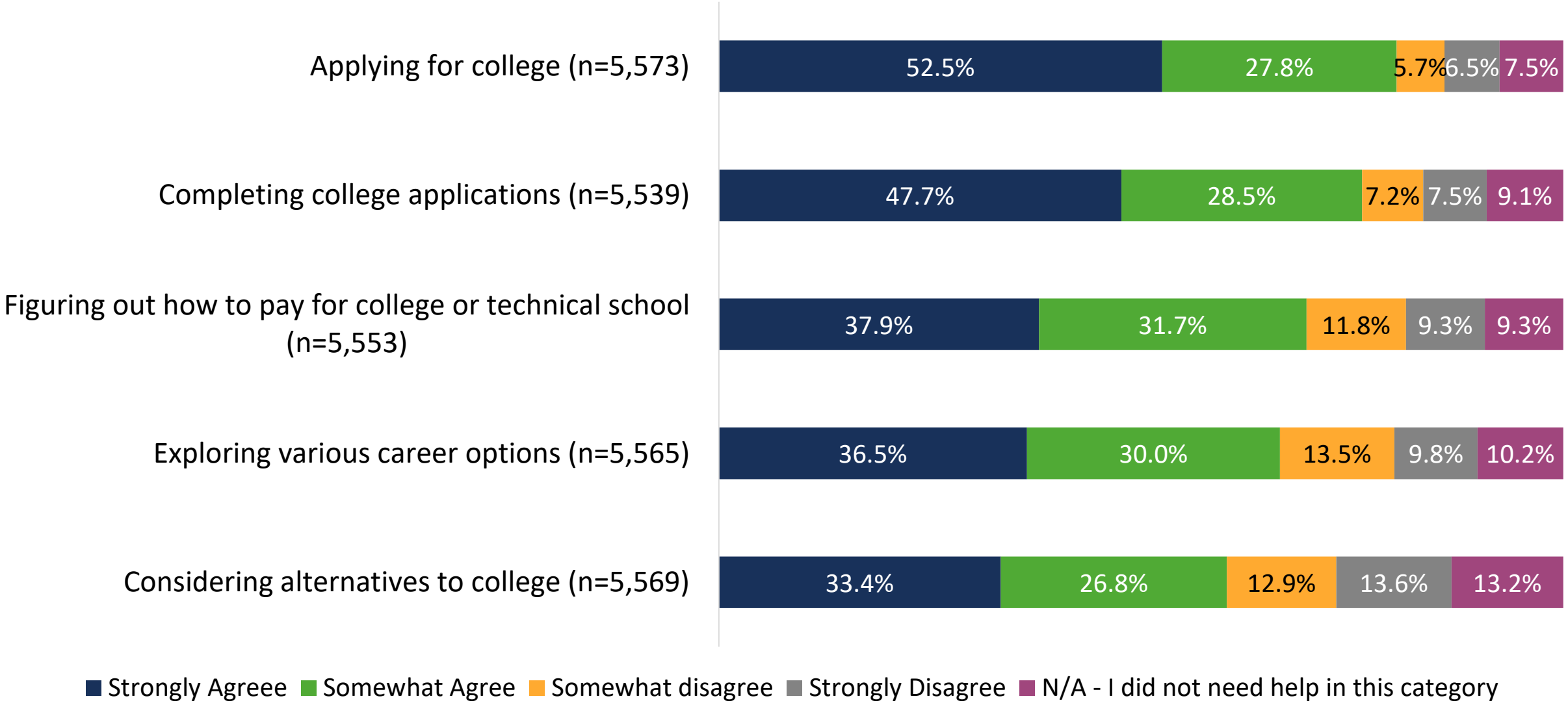
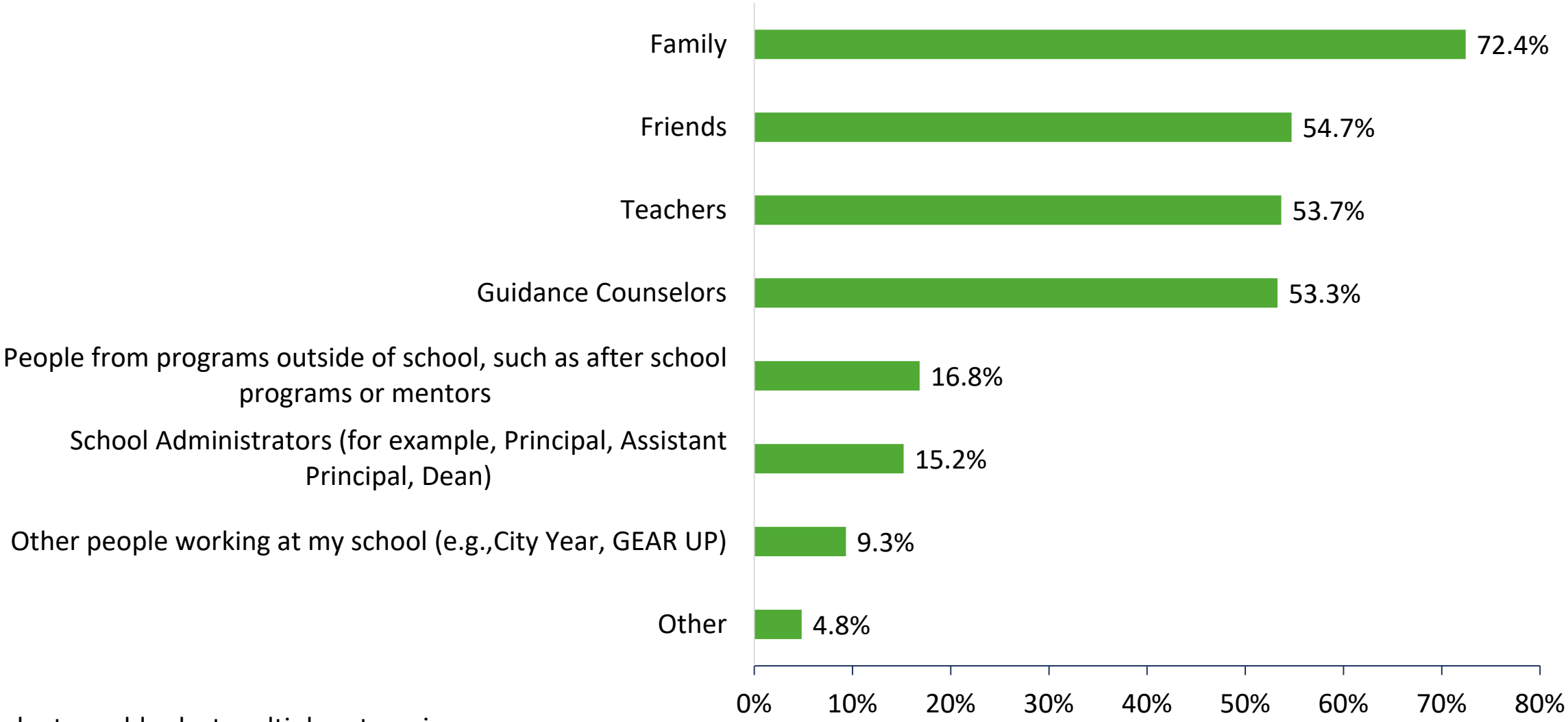


*See Appendix B for school level results

The most important people helping me plan my life after high school were…[1]



[1] Students could select multiple categories

Appendix A: School Level Response Rates

Schools with the Highest and Lowest Response Rates

Highest 10

Rank	School	Senior Response %
1	Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush	100.%
1	Philadelphia Military Academy	100.%
2	Masterman, Julia R. High School	99.1%
2	Parkway Center City Middle College High School	99.1%
3	Constitution High School	99.%
4	Girard Academic Music Program	98.4%
5	Academy at Palumbo	98.2%
6	Swenson Arts/Tech High School	98.1%
7	Camelot Academy East	96.%
8	Science Leadership Academy at Beeber	94.8%

Lowest 10

Rank	School	Senior Response %
41	Kensington High School	47.8%
42	Edison, Thomas A. High School	41.7%
43	South Philadelphia H.S.	40.3%
44	King, Martin Luther High Sch.	39.1%
45	Bartram, John High School	31.6%
46	Widener Memorial School	30.2%
47	Creative and Performing Arts	19.6%
48	Kensington Health Sciences	18.7%
49	West Philadelphia High School	13.2%
50	Dobbins, Murrell High School	12.1%

Notes: Response rate calculated using April 29, 2019 12th grade enrollment information. Students who were enrolled at a school on April 29, 2019 (the day the survey opened) and at least 10 school days prior to April 29 were included in the denominator. Survey responses were counted as complete only if the student reported post-high school plans. Opportunity Network Schools are not included in rankings.

Table A1. Response Rates by School, Highest to Lowest

**Includes all SDP schools with 12th graders. Does not include Opportunity Network Schools*

High School	Responses	Senior Response %	High School	Responses	Senior Response %	High School	Responses	Senior Response %
Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush	141	100.0%	Kensington CAPA	88	85.4%	Mastbaum, Jules E. High School	89	62.7%
Philadelphia Military Academy	47	100.0%	Parkway West High School	54	81.8%	Franklin, Benjamin High School	60	60.0%
Masterman, Julia R. High School	109	99.1%	Franklin Learning Center	171	81.4%	Strawberry Mansion High School	36	60.0%
Parkway Center City Middle College High School	107	99.1%	Fels, Samuel High School	151	80.7%	Lankenau High School	44	58.7%
Constitution High School	104	99.0%	Lincoln, Abraham High School	247	80.2%	Hill-Freedman World Academy	71	58.2%
Girard Academic Music Program	61	98.4%	Furness, Horace High School	108	78.3%	Penn Treaty High School	39	54.2%
Academy at Palumbo	223	98.2%	The LINC	37	77.1%	Sayre, William L. High School	46	53.5%
Swenson Arts/Tech High School	159	98.1%	Girls, Phila High School for	196	76.9%	Kensington High School	48	53.3%
Science Leadership Academy at Beeber	109	94.8%	Roxborough High School	119	76.3%	Edison, Thomas A. High School	77	51.3%
Randolph Technical High School	84	94.4%	Motivation High School	64	76.2%	South Philadelphia H.S.	72	50.7%
Engineering & Science High	203	94.0%	Saul, Walter B. High School	86	76.1%	King, Martin Luther High Sch.	64	47.8%
Science Leadership Academy	112	93.3%	Building 21	55	75.3%	Bartram, John High School	48	40.3%
Bodine, William W. High School	93	93.0%	High School of the Future	75	75.0%	Widener Memorial School	12	31.6%
The U School	43	91.5%	Parkway-Northwest High School	41	74.5%	Creative and Performing Arts	35	19.6%
Central High School	493	89.6%	Washington, George High School	227	73.5%	Kensington Health Sciences	20	18.7%
Robeson, Paul High School	68	88.3%	Frankford High School	124	69.7%	West Philadelphia High School	12	13.2%
The Workshop School	54	87.1%	Philadelphia Virtual Academy	88	68.8%	Dobbins, Murrell High School	15	12.1%
Northeast High School	575	86.9%	Overbrook High School	61	63.5%			

Table A2. Response Rates by School, Highest to Lowest, Opportunity Network

**Includes all schools in Opportunity Network with at least one response.*

High School	Responses	Senior Response %
Camelot Academy East	24	96.0%
Liguori Academy-Fortis	18	62.1%
YES Philly	11	57.9%
Ombudsman Accelerated Northwest	22	53.7%
Phila Learning Academy South	10	41.7%
Gateway To College Community College Of Phil	18	39.1%
Philadelphia OIC Workforce Academy	13	30.2%

Appendix B: School-Level Results for the Survey Question: “Adults at my school gave me a lot of help with…”

Adults at my school gave me a lot of help with… (% *somewhat agree* or *strongly agree*) [1]

High School	Applying for College	Completing College Applications	Figuring out how to pay for college or technical school	Considering alternatives to college	Exploring career opportunities
A. Philip Randolph Career and Technical High School	86.8%	80.3%	75.3%	78.7%	80.5%
Abraham Lincoln High School	78.5%	78.4%	72.6%	74.8%	73.1%
Academy at Palumbo	94.4%	92.8%	88.7%	72.9%	75.0%
Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush	94.6%	94.5%	81.0%	62.9%	73.0%
Benjamin Franklin High School	90.6%	80.8%	88.0%	84.6%	88.7%
Building 21	85.4%	80.4%	82.6%	76.7%	83.3%
Camelot Academy East	81.8%	81.0%	81.8%	77.3%	85.7%
Central High School	87.5%	80.5%	58.9%	42.4%	52.8%
Constitution High School	90.4%	88.0%	83.0%	79.8%	81.8%
Frankford High School	81.9%	82.1%	78.9%	75.9%	83.1%

Students could select: 1) strongly disagree, 2) somewhat disagree, 3) somewhat agree, or 4) strongly agree

[1]Excludes "N/A, I did not need help" category - Too few student responses (20 or fewer)

Adults at my school gave me a lot of help with… (% *somewhat agree* or *strongly agree*) [1]

High School	Applying for College	Completing College Applications	Figuring out how to pay for college or technical school	Considering alternatives to college	Exploring career opportunities
Franklin Learning Center	83.3%	80.5%	77.6%	76.4%	74.3%
Furness High School	91.1%	86.0%	80.2%	73.2%	82.2%
Gateway to College - Community College of Philadelphia	-	-	-	-	-
George Washington High School	85.3%	79.6%	69.5%	68.7%	71.8%
Girard Academic Music Program	72.4%	77.6%	45.8%	29.6%	50.0%
High School for Creative and Performing Arts School	70.0%	67.7%	37.9%	23.1%	48.1%
High School of Engineering and Science	94.9%	92.6%	84.9%	66.5%	71.2%
High School of the Future	91.7%	86.8%	81.7%	76.6%	69.8%
Hill-Freedman School	95.2%	95.2%	90.5%	71.9%	74.6%
John Bartram High School	70.7%	73.7%	77.5%	65.0%	78.0%

Students could select: 1) strongly disagree, 2) somewhat disagree, 3) somewhat agree, or 4) strongly agree

[1]Excludes "N/A, I did not need help" category - Too few student responses (20 or fewer)

Adults at my school gave me a lot of help with… (% *somewhat agree* or *strongly agree*) [1]

High School	Applying for College	Completing College Applications	Figuring out how to pay for college or technical school	Considering alternatives to college	Exploring career opportunities
Jules E. Mastbaum Area Vocational Technical High School	81.7%	82.5%	75.6%	72.8%	77.1%
Julia R. Masterman School	96.2%	94.1%	72.2%	16.3%	63.6%
Kensington Health Sciences Academy	94.1%	94.7%	94.7%	94.1%	82.4%
Kensington High School	86.4%	81.8%	81.0%	83.0%	84.8%
Kensington High School for Creative and Performing Arts	81.9%	73.5%	75.3%	70.7%	77.1%
Lankenau High School	87.8%	90.2%	92.7%	87.2%	90.2%
Liguori Academy-Fortis	-	-	-	-	-
Martin Luther King High School	80.3%	81.0%	84.7%	73.7%	78.9%
Motivation High School	84.9%	86.5%	77.6%	67.3%	64.9%
Murrell Dobbins Career and Technical High School	-	-	-	-	-

Students could select: 1) strongly disagree, 2) somewhat disagree, 3) somewhat agree, or 4) strongly agree

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Adults at my school gave me a lot of help with… (% *somewhat agree* or *strongly agree*) [1]

High School	Applying for College	Completing College Applications	Figuring out how to pay for college or technical school	Considering alternatives to college	Exploring career opportunities
Northeast High School	86.7%	82.4%	75.4%	76.8%	72.5%
Ombudsman Northwest	66.7%	66.7%	59.1%	77.3%	68.2%
Overbrook High School	83.6%	83.6%	82.5%	77.2%	86.0%
Parkway Center City High School	94.8%	93.8%	91.8%	84.2%	85.4%
Parkway Northwest High School	87.2%	89.5%	75.7%	83.8%	75.0%
Parkway West High School	94.3%	94.1%	96.2%	86.5%	90.4%
Paul Robeson High School for Human Services	90.6%	90.3%	90.2%	88.7%	95.1%
Penn Treaty High School	94.4%	97.1%	91.9%	91.7%	91.7%
Philadelphia High School for Girls	82.5%	73.1%	62.4%	44.3%	58.2%
Philadelphia Learning Academy South	-	-	-	-	-

Students could select: 1) strongly disagree, 2) somewhat disagree, 3) somewhat agree, or 4) strongly agree

[1]Excludes "N/A, I did not need help" category - Too few student responses (20 or fewer)

Adults at my school gave me a lot of help with… (% *somewhat agree* or *strongly agree*) [1]

High School	Applying for College	Completing College Applications	Figuring out how to pay for college or technical school	Considering alternatives to college	Exploring career opportunities
Philadelphia Military Academy	86.4%	84.1%	82.2%	81.4%	79.1%
Philadelphia OIC Workforce Academy	-	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia Virtual Academy	92.3%	87.9%	88.9%	82.8%	86.2%
Roxborough High School	88.0%	88.9%	83.5%	75.7%	83.2%
Samuel Fels High School	85.6%	79.2%	76.3%	74.2%	72.4%
Science Leadership Academy	86.3%	79.4%	63.1%	44.9%	63.6%
South Philadelphia High School	78.7%	68.4%	74.6%	67.8%	71.9%
Strawberry Mansion High School	80.0%	81.3%	83.3%	84.4%	87.5%
Swenson Arts and Technology High School	97.9%	97.1%	95.0%	95.3%	98.1%
the LINC	75.8%	66.7%	69.7%	69.7%	72.7%

Students could select: 1) strongly disagree, 2) somewhat disagree, 3) somewhat agree, or 4) strongly agree

[1]Excludes "N/A, I did not need help" category - Too few student responses (20 or fewer)

Adults at my school gave me a lot of help with… (% *somewhat agree* or *strongly agree*) [1]

High School	Applying for College	Completing College Applications	Figuring out how to pay for college or technical school	Considering alternatives to college	Exploring career opportunities
The Science Leadership Academy at Beeber	86.8%	88.3%	83.5%	66.0%	69.7%
The U School	87.5%	85.0%	83.8%	88.6%	89.5%
The Workshop School	85.4%	83.7%	76.0%	53.1%	72.5%
Thomas A. Edison High School	71.6%	67.2%	76.1%	66.2%	75.4%
Walter B. Saul High School	85.3%	83.8%	58.7%	68.8%	67.5%
West Philadelphia High School	-	-	-	-	-
Widener Memorial School	-	-	-	-	-
William L. Sayre High School	90.7%	88.4%	82.9%	87.5%	87.8%
William W. Bodine High School	84.9%	82.4%	78.6%	64.2%	71.4%
YES Philly	-	-	-	-	-

Students could select: 1) strongly disagree, 2) somewhat disagree, 3) somewhat agree, or 4) strongly agree

[1]Excludes "N/A, I did not need help" category - Too few student responses (20 or fewer)