

High School Senior Survey – What's Next?

Results of the 2017 Mt. Hood Community College District
High School Seniors Survey – Sandy Version



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Executive Summary

Mt. Hood Community College has seen a dramatic decrease in the number of in-district high school seniors attending MHCC the summer or fall after they graduate. The *What's Next* survey was developed in an effort to determine what seniors are doing after high school graduation. Additionally, MHCC's new strategic plan includes a specific priority regarding the college's relationships with school districts that lie within the MHCC district boundary; this effort was regarded as an opportunity to enhance and improve relationships with high school representatives within the district. This marks the third administration of the *What's Next* survey.

Methodology

- This year, MHCC's Analytics & Institutional Research (AIR) contacted principals at all twelve indistrict high schools via email. For schools that participated in the previous administration of the survey, the email included an invitation and reminder of last year's effort. Schools that did not participate were provided an invitation and outline of the benefits to each high school. The AIR team worked with district high school principals and counselors to develop and administer the survey. The AIR team collated, analyzed, and prepared this report of findings.
- Of the twelve in-district high schools, three principals indicated a willingness to participate
 (Centennial, Springwater Trail, and Sandy High Schools). Prior to the first administration, the AIR
 team met with the principals to identify the best method for collecting the data. It was
 determined that every high school participating had an exit process with graduating seniors.
 Administering the survey during that exit process was the easiest way to collect the data.
 Additionally, each school was provided a section of the survey they could use to ask specific questions of their students.
- An on-line survey was developed which included custom high school questions. Each
 participating school was provided a unique URL that automatically tagged their respondents to
 the school and presented the custom questions.
- Participation rate for Sandy High School is:
 - 265 Seniors Responded (45.2% of Total Respondents)

Findings

- Over two thirds of seniors (68.09%) indicated they would be continuing their education.
 - Sandy –
 64.53% Continuing Education

For those continuing their education:

• The distribution by type of institution is:

4-Year Public – 23.16% 4-Year Private – 8.14% Community College – 65.65% Trade/Tech. College – 0.76%

Sandy

4-Year Public – 20.36% 4-Year Private – 8.98% Community College – 67.66% Trade/Tech. College – 0.60%

- The main reasons for selecting the institution chosen were *Programs Available of interest to me* and *Overall cost of attending*. These were the major reasons regardless of high school attending. Seniors bound to four-year institutions tended to place more importance on the reasons for attending than did their community college bound counterparts.
- Over thirty-five percent (35.71%) received at least one scholarship. The median value of scholarship awards was \$3,700.00.
 - Sandy

Received Scholarship – 38.32% Median Value – \$3,448.50

• The majority of seniors bound for 4-year Public Universities will attend:

Oregon State University – 33.9% Portland State University – 25.6% University of Oregon – 16.5%

Sandy

Oregon State University – 44.4% Portland State University – 22.2% University of Oregon – 16.7%

An equal proportion of Seniors indicated an intent to attend seven 4-year Private Universities:

Concordia University – 14.3%
George Fox University – 14.3%
Lewis & Clark University – 14.3%
Multnomah University – 14.3%
Pacific University – 14.3%
Warner Pacific University – 14.3%
University of Portland – 14.3%

Sandy

George Fox University – 20.0%

Multnomah University – 20.0%

Pacific University – 20.0%

Warner Pacific University – 20.0%

University of Portland – 20.0%

 The majority of Community College Bound Seniors will attend Portland Metropolitan Area Colleges:

Mt. Hood Community College – 63.9% Portland Community College – 17.5% Clackamas Community College – 6.6%

Sandy

Mt. Hood Community College – 76.1%

Portland Community College – 7.0%

Clackamas Community College – 7.0%

 Very few seniors indicated they would be attending a private trade/technical institution; less than one percent (0.76%) of continuing education seniors will attend this type of institution.
 Three seniors indicated an intent to attend a private trade/technical institution; one indicated an intent to attend Everest College and two indicated an intent to attend Northwest College.

For seniors that are not continuing their education:

• High school seniors identified four reasons for not continuing their education:

Cost – Mean = 3.81 out of 7 Not interested – Mean = 2.80 out of 7 Don't know what I want to do – Mean = 2.74 out of 7 Grades aren't good enough – Mean = 2.73 out of 7

Sandy

Cost – Mean = 3.85 out of 7
Not interested – Mean = 3.19 out of 7
Grades aren't good enough – Mean = 2.81 out of 7

Information content most likely to increase seniors continuing their education should focus on:

Financial Aid / Scholarship availability – Mean = 3.00 out of 7

Job placement services after graduation – Mean = 2.75 out of 7

Flexible Schedules – Mean = 2.70 out of 7

Sandy

Financial Aid / Scholarship availability – Mean = 3.14 out of 7 Flexible Schedules – Mean = 2.57 out of 7 Job placement services after graduation – Mean = 2.55 out of 7

Recommendations

- Data revealed that a quarter of seniors (25.35%) either did not know or identified themselves as
 residing in a community college district other than MHCC. Unless students are commuting from
 outside their school district, all seniors reside within MHCC's district boundary. Efforts must be
 made to establish the college district that serves these high school seniors.
- Along similar lines, for seniors that are attending a community college in the Portland
 Metropolitan Area, over two thirds (72.67%) have indicated they will attend MHCC. A third have

indicated they will be attending either Portland Community College (19.88%) or Clackamas Community College (7.45%). This leakage must be addressed; MHCC must determine why students are choosing to attend these other colleges and corrective actions should be taken. A follow-up question was asked of seniors that indicated they were bound for a community college in the Portland Metropolitan Area about why they chose the particular college. Regardless of the college chosen by seniors, the comments centered on: (1) Location/Access/Convenience, (2) Programs available, and (3) Costs.

A wealth of data regarding the types of information to provide both seniors that do plan to
continue their education and those that do not was captured. Information content should be
focused on costs, financial aid / scholarship availability, flexibility of schedules, and job
placement services available to graduates. Perceptions of grades not being good enough and
the college's ability to address it is another potential information topic. It is essential the
communication start early, particularly to convince those that are not intending to continue
their education that it is a viable option.

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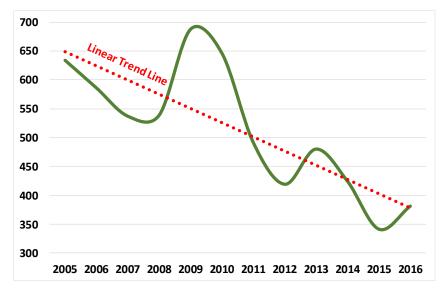
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Introduction

Mt. Hood Community College (MHCC) has seen a steady decline in the enrollment of in-district high school graduates over the last ten years. As shown in Figure I1, the number of seniors from MHCC District high schools that attended the college in the summer and/or fall of the year they graduated has declined 46.21%. This trend is troubling to MHCC and warrants investigation into what seniors are doing.

Figure I1: MHCC District High School Graduates that Attended the College in the Summer and/or Fall of the Year They Graduated



Additionally, MHCC's Strategic Plan -

http://www.mhcc.edu/Mission/ - specifically identifies establishing and maintaining relationships with school districts to encourage on-going educational goals. This on-going study is viewed as an opportunity for MHCC to reach out to the high schools and strengthen relationships. It is a mutually beneficial effort that provided valuable information for both the college and participating high schools.

This marks the third year the "What's Next?" Survey has been administered to in district high school seniors. The survey requires volunteer high schools to gather the data. For this administration, three of the nine in district high schools participated: (1) Centennial, (2) Springwater Trail, and (3) Sandy.

At the request of the president, a research proposal was prepared. The proposal outlined the following Research Questions and Objectives:

Research Questions:

What are in-district high school seniors planning on doing once they receive their high school diploma?

Study Objectives:

- **O1)** Determine in-district high school seniors' intent after they graduate.
 - **O1a)** Identify the percentage of in-district high school seniors intending to continue in post-secondary education.
 - **O1b)** Of those in Objective 01a, calculate the percentage that have applied, been accepted, and intend to go to a:
 - Public 4-year Institution
 - Private 4-year Institution

- Community College
- Private Technical College
- **O1c)** Of those in Objective 01a, identify the institutions in-district high school seniors intending to continue in post-secondary education are attending.
- **O1d)** Determine what in-district high school seniors who do not intend to continue in post-secondary education are planning to do once the graduate.
- **O1e)** For in-district high school seniors who do not intend to continue in post-secondary education Identify reasons for not continuing.
- **O2)** For in-district high school seniors that intend to go to a 4-year institution, identify reasons for not considering a community college.
- O3) For in-district high school seniors that intend to go to a 2-year institution, identify reasons for choosing the institution they plan to attend.

Methodology

This year, MHCC's Analytics & Institutional Research (AIR) contacted principals at all nine in-district high schools via email. For schools that participated in the previous administration of the survey, the email included an invitation and reminder of last year's effort. Schools that did not participate were provided an invitation and outline of the benefits to each high school. Additionally, a member of AIR met

Table M1: Participating High Schools and Responses

High School	# Respondents	% of Sample
Centennial	288	49.15%
Springwater Trail	33	5.63%
Sandy	265	45.22%
Total	586	100.00%

with high school counselors at a meeting held on MHCC's Gresham Campus and coordinated by the High School Relations Committee. One of the three schools that participated in the first and second survey efforts (Centennial High School) indicated a willingness to participate again. Springwater Trail High School indicated a willingness to participate for a second year. Sandy High School opted to participate in the third administration of the survey; an AIR member meet with high school representatives to go over process and discuss custom questions.

All seniors, before graduating high school, go through an exit process. It was determined that the survey could be administered on-line during that process. The survey was created with a set of standard questions that would be asked of all seniors participating. Additionally, each school was allowed a section of the survey where they could ask specific questions of their seniors. One school had a set of questions already being asked of their seniors; these questions were incorporated into the school specific section of the survey. The other high schools worked with the AIR team to develop school specific questions.

The survey was prepared and representatives from each high school were allowed to review the instrument before it went live. A unique URL was provided to each school which allowed respondents to be tagged to the school they attended. The survey was opened for data collection in May and

Figure M1: Proportion of Seniors Analyzed by High Schools



remained open through the second week of June. High school representatives were responsible for cycling students through computer labs to assure seniors completed the survey.

Participation rates are reported in Table M1. A total of 586 high school seniors completed the survey and are included in the analysis of this report. The proportion of the total respondents from each high school is presented in Figure M1.

Indices

Throughout this report, indices are provided for individual high schools. An index score provides an indication of how close (or how far away) a reported number is from the total sample. For this report, an Index is calculated by dividing the reported value for a high school (usually the percentage or the mean value) by the value for all high schools then multiplying that quotient by 100. A score of 100 indicates the high school's proportion is the same as the total. An index score below 100 indicates the school's proportion was lower than the total and a score above 100 indicates the school's proportion was higher than the total. The further away from 100, the greater the difference from the total value.

Results – Demographics: Sandy

The survey asked four demographic questions of high school seniors: (1) Gender, (2) Ethnicity, (3) Grade Point Average, and (4) Parent's Education Level.

Gender

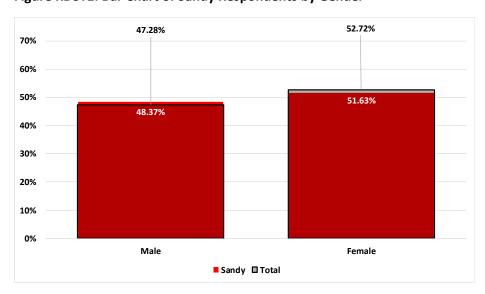
Results of the gender question are reported in Table RDS1. Overall, results were evenly split between males and females. Just over fifty percent (52.72%) of the respondents were female; 47.28% were male. Sandy

Table RDST1: Respondents by Gender

Gender		Sandy			Total	
	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Male	104	48.37%	102	235	47.28%	100
Female	111	51.63%	98	262	52.72%	100
Total	215	100.00%		497	100.00%	

respondent proportions were very similar to the totals overall. For Sandy, 51.63% were female and 48.37% were male. Gender results are presented graphically in Figure RDST1.

Figure RDST1: Bar Chart of Sandy Respondents by Gender



Ethnicity

Results of the Ethnicity Question are reported in Table RDS2. Like the MHCC District as a whole, the high school student bodies are primarily white. Overall, the majority of respondents (69.31%) reported being white. A much higher proportion of Sandy students (87.32%) reported being White. Hispanic / Latino makes up the second highest proportion of students with 13.62% of the total student body. A much lower

Table RDS2: Sandy Respondents by Ethnicity

Ethnicity	Sandy				Total	
	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Native American	1	0.47%	33	7	1.42%	100
Asian	2	0.94%	11	42	8.54%	100
African American	4	1.88%	66	14	2.85%	100
Hispanic/Latino	14	6.57%	48	67	13.62%	100
Pacific Islander	0	0.00%	0	8	1.63%	100
White	186	87.32%	126	341	69.31%	100
Other	5	2.35%	105	11	2.24%	100
Mulit-race	1	0.47%	115	2	0.41%	100
Total	213	100.00%		492	100.00%	

proportion of Sandy students (6.57%) reported being Hispanic / Latino. Asian students made up the third largest proportion with 8.54% of the total student body. A much lower proportion of Sandy students reported being Asian (0.94%). Results of the ethnicity question are presented graphically in Figure RDS2. Respondents that identified themselves as "Other" were asked to specify. Results are available in Appendix D.

90% 69.31% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 13.62% 20% 8.54% 10% 2.85% 2.24% 1.63% 1.42% 0.41% 0%

Figure RDS2: Bar Chart of Sandy Respondents by Ethnicity

Note: Percentages reported are for the Total Respondents only

GPA

Results of senior's self-reported cumulative GPA are presented in Table RDS3. Overall, the majority of students reported a GPA of between 3.00 and 3.49; 25.93% of seniors reported a cumulative GPA in this category. The next two most often cited cumulative GPA's were between 2.50 and 2.99 with 22.02% of respondents and between 3.50 and 3.99 with 20.78% of respondents.

Table RDS3: Springwater Trail Respondents by GPA

GPA		Sandy		Total				
GPA	Count	Percent	Index	Count	Percent	Index		
0.00-0.99	1	0.48%	116	2	0.41%	100		
1.00-1.49	4	1.91%	103	9	1.85%	100		
1.50-1.99	14	6.70%	96	34	7.00%	100		
2.00-2.49	28	13.40%	99	66	13.58%	100		
2.50-2.99	49	23.44%	106	107	22.02%	100		
3.00-3.49	54	25.84%	100	126	25.93%	100		
3.50-3.99	46	22.01%	106	101	20.78%	100		
4.00+	13	6.22%	74	41	8.44%	100		
Total	209	100.00%		486	100.00%			

Sandy seniors were generally similar to the overall results. Sandy seniors were slightly more likely to report a cumulative GPA's of between 2.50 and 2.99 (23.44% compared to 22.02% overall) and between 3.50 and 3.99 (22.01% compared to 20.78% overall). Figure RDS3 present the results of GPA.

50% 45% 40% 35% 30% 25.93% 25% 22.02% 20.78% 20% 13.58% 15% 8.44% 10% 7.00% 5% 1.85% 0.41% 0% 0.00-0.99 1.00-1.49 1.50-1.99 2.00-2.49 2.50-2.99 3.00-3.49 3.50-3.99 4.00+

Figure RDST3: Bar Chart of Sandy Seniors Cumulative GPA

Note: Percentages reported are for the Total Respondents only

Parent's Education Level

Results of Parent's Education Level are reported in Table RDS4. The survey asked respondents to report the highest level of education for two parents. Calculations were performed to report the highest of the two parent's education (e.g. if parent one's highest education was a certificate and parent two's highest education was a master's, the master's degree was returned). Having at least one parent that

Table RDS4: Sandy Seniors Parents Highest Education Level

Parents' Highest		Sandy			Total	
Education Level	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
< HS Diploma	12	5.63%	44	63	12.80%	100
HS Diploma	31	14.55%	81	88	17.89%	100
Some/No Degree	37	17.37%	106	81	16.46%	100
Certificate	28	13.15%	144	45	9.15%	100
Associates	19	8.92%	88	50	10.16%	100
Bachelors	44	20.66%	130	78	15.85%	100
Masters	26	12.21%	143	42	8.54%	100
Professional	4	1.88%	132	7	1.42%	100
Doctorate/Ph.D.	2	0.94%	92	5	1.02%	100
Total	203	100.00%		459	100.00%	

graduated from high school was reported more often than any other education level. Over seventeen percent (17.89%) of respondents indicated they had at least one parent whose highest education level was a high school diploma. Sandy seniors had higher proportions of students reporting their parents highest education level was a Certificate (13.15% compared to 9.15% overall), bachelor's degree (20.66% compared to 15.85% overall), or a master's degree (12.21% compared to 8.54% overall). Sandy seniors parents highest education level is reported graphically in Figure RDS4.

35% 30% 25% 20% 17.89% 16.46% 5.859 15% 12.80% 10.16% 10% 5% 1.42% 1.02% 0% certificate Professional Bachelors HS Diplores Some IND Degree

Figure RD4: Parents' Highest Education Level by High School and Overall

Note: Percentages reported are for the Total Respondents only

Results – MHCC Questions: Sandy

Future Plans

Seniors were asked what they plan to be doing four months after graduating from high school. Results of the question are presented in Table RFPS1. Students were asked to check all activities that applied to them. The total is based on the total number of unique respondents from Sandy and the percentages are calculated off this total – not on the total number of responses to the question.

RFPS1: Future Plans Responses by Sandy Seniors and Total

Four Months after Graduation		Sandy			Total	-
I plan to be	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Continuing my education	171	64.53%	95	399	68.09%	100
Working at a job	132	49.81%	91	320	54.61%	100
Serving in the military	15	5.66%	104	32	5.46%	100
Traveling	37	13.96%	62	132	22.53%	100
Doing something else	6	2.26%	29	46	7.85%	100
Doing volunteer work	26	9.81%	66	87	14.85%	100
Undecided / Don't Know	12	4.53%	65	41	7.00%	100
Total Respondents	265	100.00%		586	100.00%	

Generally, Sandy seniors proportions were lower than total responses. "Continuing my education" did have the highest proportion (64.53%) of Sandy seniors. "Working at a job" had the second highest proportion of seniors with 49.81%. The other activities were identified at much lower rates. "Traveling" had the next highest rate with over thirteen percent of respondents (13.96%) indicating this activity. "Doing Volunteer Work" had about ten percent of respondents (9.81%). Sandy seniors indicated all these activities at a lower rate than respondents overall. Military service was identified by over five percent (5.66%) of respondents; the only activity that had a higher rate than seniors overall. "Doing something else" and "Undecided / Don't Know" both were identified by less than five percent of respondents (2.26% and 4.53% respectively). Respondents that indicated they would be "Doing something else" were asked what else they would be doing. Responses to this question are available in Appendix D. Figure RFPS1 presents the Sandy Seniors' Future Plans Graphically.

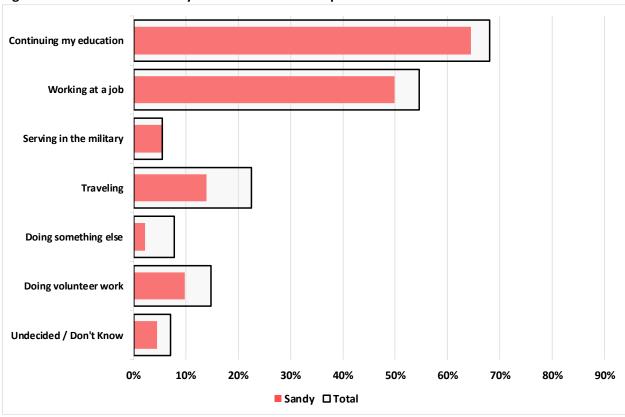


Figure RFS1: Bar Chart of Sandy Seniors' and Total Responses for Future Plans

College Now

Seniors were asked if they had ever taken a College Now Course (a high school course for college credit); results are presented in Table RCNS1. Over half of Sandy Seniors (60.09%) indicated they had taken at least one college now course during their high school career. This is a lower rate than seniors overall. Data are presented graphically in Figure RCNS1. When asked which college provided the credit, the majority (96.24%) indicated MHCC. Results for which college provided the

Table RCNS1: Taken a College Now Course By Sandy Seniors and Total

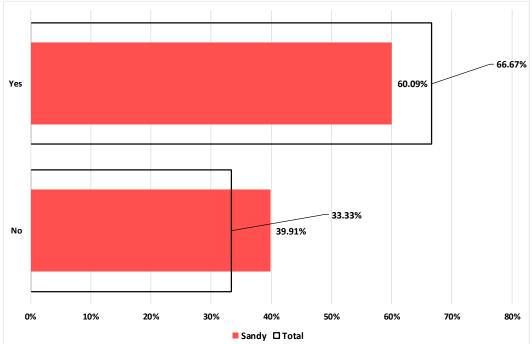
Ever taken a College Now	Sandy				Total	
course?	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Yes	137	60.09%	90	344	66.67%	100
No	91	39.91%	120	172	33.33%	100
Total	228	100.00%		516	100.00%	

Table RCNS2: Which College Provided the Credit By Sandy Seniors and **Total**

What college provided you	Sandy				Total	
with the credit?	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Clackamas Community College	3	2.26%	192	4	1.18%	100
Portland Community College	0	0.00%	0	8	2.35%	100
Mt. Hood Community College	128	96.24%	103	317	93.24%	100
Some Other College	2	1.50%	46	11	3.24%	100
Total	133	100.00%		340	100.00%	

credit are presented in Table RCNS2.

Figure RCNS1: Taken a College Now Course by Sandy and Total Respondents



District Residence

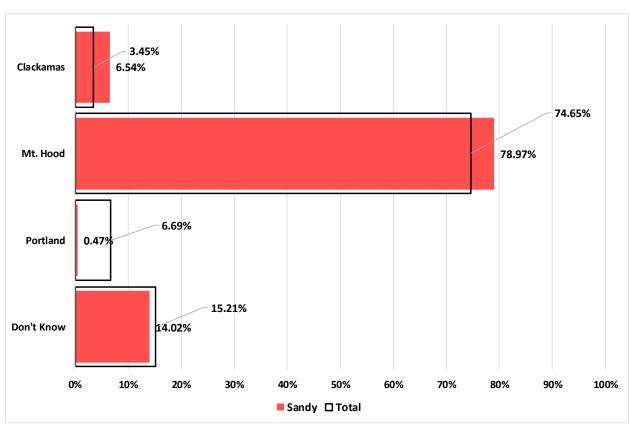
Seniors were asked in which Community College District they reside. Results are presented in Table RDRS1. Every school district participating in the study lies 100% within the MHCC District Boundary. Unless a student is commuting from another area to attend their high school, all students

Table RDRS1: Identified College District Residence by Sandy and Seniors Overall

In which Community College	Sandy				Total	
District do you reside?	#	% Within		#	% Within	
Clackamas	14	6.54%	190	17	3.45%	100
Mt. Hood	169	78.97%	106	368	74.65%	100
Portland	1	0.47%	7	33	6.69%	100
Don't Know	30	14.02%	92	75	15.21%	100
Total	214	100.00%		493	100.00%	

should reside within the MHCC District Boundary. The majority of Sandy seniors (78.97%) indicated they resided within MHCC's boundary. However, over a fifth of Sandy seniors (21.03%) indicated they lived either in one of the other two metro community college districts (Clackamas or Portland) or that they did not know which district they resided in. Sandy seniors were far more likely than seniors overall to indicate they resided in the Clackamas Community College District (6.54% of Sandy seniors compared to 3.45% overall). Data are reported graphically in Figure RDRS1.

Figure RDRS1: Reported District Residence by Sandy Seniors and Total



Career Plans

A series of three questions were asked of all seniors to determine if they had some idea of a career they were interested in. First, they were asked if they could name a career they were interested in pursuing. Second, students that indicated they could name a career were asked how they decided that career would be a good fit. Finally, for those that indicated they could name a career, they were provided a list of fields and asked to identify the ones they were interested in. Results for the three questions are presented in Tables RCPS1, RCPS2, and RCPS3 respectively. Sandy Seniors were just as likely to indicate they had a career in mind as seniors overall. Over eighty-eight percent of Sandy seniors (88.26%) indicated they did have a career they were interested in pursuing (87.94% of seniors overall indicated they had a career in mind); Figure RCPS1 presents these data graphically. When asked how they decided that career was a good fit, Sandy Seniors were more likely to indicate they know someone in the career (22.69% compared to 19.24% of seniors overall). They were also more likely to indicate their personality is a good fit (31.13% compared to 27.74% of seniors overall). Figure RCPS2 presents these data graphically. Sandy Seniors were slightly more likely than seniors overall to identify Retail/Sales (2.79% Sandy / 2.24% Overall), Trades (4.02% Sandy / 3.49% Overall), Performing Arts (5.57% Sandy / 4.99% Overall), and Manufacturing

Table RCPS1: Identified a Career by Sandy Seniors and Total

I can name a career I'm	Sandy				Total	
interested in pursuing	#	% Within		#	% Within	
Yes	203	88.26%	100	452	87.94%	100
No	27	11.74%	97	62	12.06%	100
Total	230	100.0%	100	514	100.0%	100

Figure RCPS2: How You Decide by Sandy Seniors and Total

How did you decide that		Sandy			Total	
carreer was a good fit?	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Read/Saw Something	85	22.43%	95	212	23.71%	100
Class Assignment/Activity	46	12.14%	80	136	15.21%	100
Career Aptitude Test	16	4.22%	74	51	5.70%	100
Know someone in the career	86	22.69%	118	172	19.24%	100
Personality is a good fit	118	31.13%	112	248	27.74%	100
Not sure/Undecided	9	2.37%	101	21	2.35%	100
Some other reason	19	5.01%	83	54	6.04%	100
Total Respondents	379	100.00%		894	100.00%	

Figure RCPS3: Career Fields of Interest by Sandy Seniors and Total

What field or fields are you		Sandy			Total	
interested in?	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Law Enforcement	21	6.50%	84	62	7.73%	100
Law	11	3.41%	101	27	3.37%	100
Social Services	11	3.41%	72	38	4.74%	100
Business	34	10.53%	97	87	10.85%	100
Medical	61	18.89%	104	146	18.20%	100
Teaching	17	5.26%	80	53	6.61%	100
Performing Arts	18	5.57%	112	40	4.99%	100
Fine Arts	14	4.33%	105	33	4.11%	100
Engineering	33	10.22%	99	83	10.35%	100
Computing	8	2.48%	62	32	3.99%	100
Retail/Sales	9	2.79%	124	18	2.24%	100
Trades	13	4.02%	115	28	3.49%	100
Manufacturing	13	4.02%	111	29	3.62%	100
Don't Know	3	0.93%	68	11	1.37%	100
Some Other Field	57	17.65%	123	115	14.34%	100
Total	323	100.00%		802	100.00%	

Figure RCPS1: Identified a Career by Sandy Seniors and Total

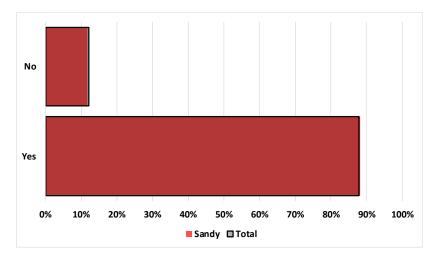


Figure RCPS2: How You Decide by Sandy Seniors and Total

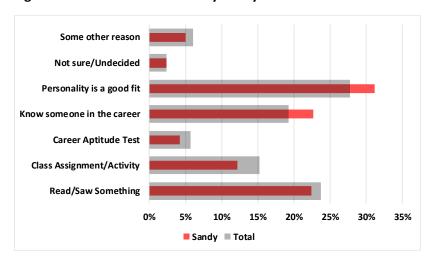
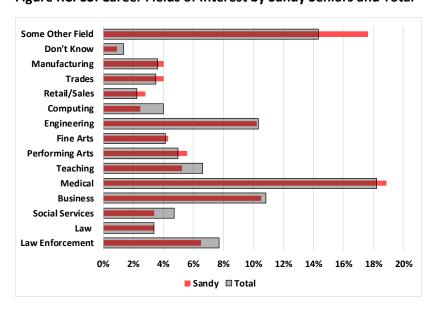


Figure RCPS3: Career Fields of Interest by Sandy Seniors and Total



(4.02% Sandy / 3.62% Overall). Sandy Seniors were less likely than seniors overall to indicate **Computing or Social Services** careers. These data a presented graphically in Figure RCPS3. For the two final questions in this section ("How did you decide the career was a good fit" and "What field or fields were a good fit") a follow-up question was asked of seniors that indicated some other reason/career. Results of these open-ended questions are available in Appendix D.

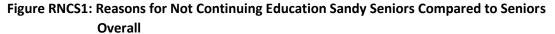
Results - For Seniors Not Continuing Their Education: Sandy

For all students that indicated - in the Future Plans Question - they would be doing anything other than continuing their education, a series of questions were asked related to reasons for not continuing their education and information that could be provided to increase the likelihood of their continuing their education. Fifty-five Sandy seniors indicated they would not be continuing their education.

Note: Index numbers reported in the following tables compare mean scores for the identified high school to the overall mean scores. Please see the discussion at the beginning of the Results Section for an explanation of Index Scores.

Reasons for Not Continuing

Results of the Reasons for Not Continuing Education for Sandy High School are reported in Table RNCS1. Compared to seniors overall, Sandy Seniors rated one item higher. They were more likely to indicate they were *not interested* (Sandy mean = 3.19, s.d. 2.34 compared to overall mean = 2.80, s.d. 2.13) *Cost* was the highest rated reason for not continuing (Sandy mean = 3.85, s.d. 2.40). Results are reported graphically in Figure RNCS1.



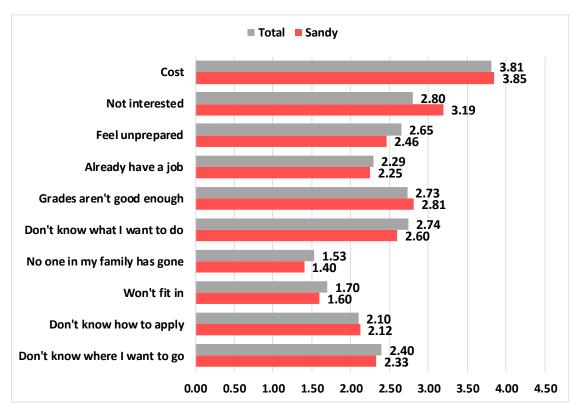


Table RNCS1: Sandy High School Seniors – Reasons for Not Continuing Education

Sandy											
Reasons for not continuing education	Not a Reason	Minor Reason	Somewhat Minor Reason	Neither Major nor Minor Reason	Somewhat Major Reason	Major Reason	Extreme Reason	Total	Mean s.d.	All Mean s.d.	Index
Cost	15	6	7	2	5	8	12	55	3.85	3.81	101
	27.3%	10.9%	12.7%	3.6%	9.1%	14.5%	21.8%	100.0%	2.40	2.38	
Not interested	23	6	4	7	3	3	9_	55	3.19	2.80	114
	41.8%	10.9%	7.3%	12.7%	5.5%	5.5%	16.4%	100.0%	2.34	2.13	
Feel unprepared	28	5	8	6	1	4	3_	55	2.46	2.65	93
	50.9%	9.1%	14.5%	10.9%	1.8%	7.3%	5.5%	100.0%	1.94	1.97	
Already have a job	34	3	2	8	4	2	2_	55	2.25	2.29	98
	61.8%	5.5%	3.6%	14.5%	7.3%	3.6%	3.6%	100.0%	1.84	1.86	
Grades aren't good enough	24	6	5	7	4	3	5_	54	2.81	2.73	103
	44.4%	11.1%	9.3%	13.0%	7.4%	5.6%	9.3%	100.0%	2.09	2.03	
Don't know what I want to do	26	6	6	6	3	4	3_	54	2.60	2.74	95
	48.1%	11.1%	11.1%	11.1%	5.6%	7.4%	5.6%	100.0%	1.97	2.06	
No one in my family has gone	46	2	3	3	0	0	1	55	1.40	1.53	92
	83.6%	3.6%	5.5%	5.5%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	100.0%	1.13	1.25	
Won't fit in	40	3	5	5	0	0	1	54	1.60	1.70	94
	74.1%	5.6%	9.3%	9.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	100.0%	1.23	1.41	
Don't know how to apply	34	5	5	3	3	2	3	55	2.12	2.10	101
	61.8%	9.1%	9.1%	5.5%	5.5%	3.6%	5.5%	100.0%	1.84	1.79	
Don't know where I want to	27	10	2	6	6	1	2	54	2.33	2.40	97
go	50.0%	18.5%	3.7%	11.1%	11.1%	1.9%	3.7%	100.0%	1.76	1.84	

Information Sources Likely to Increase Continuing Education

Results of information sources likely to increase Sandy Seniors continuing their education are presented in Table RNCS2. Sandy Seniors were more likely to indicate two information sources would increase the likelihood of their continuing their education compared to seniors overall. Sandy Seniors were more likely than seniors overall to indicate that *cost comparisons of similar schools* (Sandy mean = 2.70, s.d. 1.73 compared to overall mean = 2.60, s.d. 1.73). They were more likely to indicate *orientation* / registration / getting started services (Sandy mean = 2.34, s.d. 1.65 compared to overall mean = 2.24, s.d. 1.54). Financial Aid/Scholarship Availability (Sandy Mean = 2.87, s.d. 1.90) was most likely to have an impact on Sandy Seniors continuing their education.

Figure RNCC2: Likelihood of Information Sources Increasing Sandy Seniors Continuing Education Compared to Seniors Overall

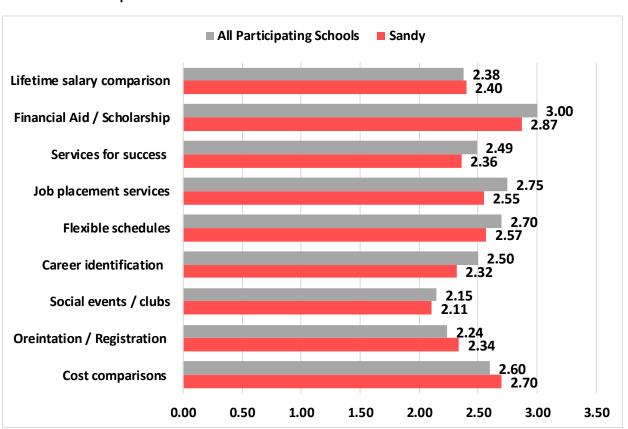


Table RNCC2: Sandy High School Seniors – Information Sources Likely to Increase Continuing Education

Sandy										-	
Information that would change	Not Change	Minor	Somewhat	Increase	Somewhat	Major	Dramatic	Total	Mean		Index
likelihood of going	NOT Change	Increase	Minor Increase	iliciease	Major Increase	Increase	Increase	TOLAI	s.d.		iliuex
Lifetime salary comparison	20	14	6	7	4	0	1	52	2.40	2.38	101
	38.5%	26.9%	11.5%	13.5%	7.7%	0.0%	1.9%	100.0%	1.51	1.53	
Financial Aid / Scholarship	17	10	5	10	2	2	4	50	2.87	3.00	96
availability	34.0%	20.0%	10.0%	20.0%	4.0%	4.0%	8.0%	100.0%	1.90	1.96	
Services for success	25	11	3	6	3	0	4	52	2.36	2.49	95
(e.g. free tutoring)	48.1%	21.2%	5.8%	11.5%	5.8%	0.0%	7.7%	100.0%	1.85	1.77	
Job placement services	20	9	5	9	0	3	3	49	2.55	2.75	93
after graduation	40.8%	18.4%	10.2%	18.4%	0.0%	6.1%	6.1%	100.0%	1.77	1.92	
Flexible schedules	22	9	2	11	3	1	2	50	2.57	2.70	95
	44.0%	18.0%	4.0%	22.0%	6.0%	2.0%	4.0%	100.0%	1.77	1.80	
Career identification and	22	11	6	11	1	0	1	52	2.32	2.50	93
planning services	42.3%	21.2%	11.5%	21.2%	1.9%	0.0%	1.9%	100.0%	1.45	1.67	
Social events / clubs	29	10	0	9	1	1	1	51	2.11	2.15	98
	56.9%	19.6%	0.0%	17.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	100.0%	1.55	1.48	
Oreintation / Registration /	26	7	5	12	1	0	2	53	2.34	2.24	104
Getting Started services	49.1%	13.2%	9.4%	22.6%	1.9%	0.0%	3.8%	100.0%	1.65	1.54	
Cost comparisons of similar	19	10	8	7	5	1	2	52	2.70	2.60	104
schools	36.5%	19.2%	15.4%	13.5%	9.6%	1.9%	3.8%	100.0%	1.73	1.73	

Results – For Seniors Planning to Continue Their Education: Sandy Type of Institution Attending

Results of the institution type Sandy Seniors are attending are presented in Table CTIAS1 along with the totals for all seniors continuing their education. The majority of Sandy Seniors (67.66%) indicated they will be attending a community college. Sandy Seniors were more likely

Table CTIAC1: Sandy Seniors and Seniors Overall by Type of Institution Attending

What Type of Institution		Sandy			Total	
Are You Attending				#	% Within	Index
Public 4 Year	34	20.36%	88	91	23.16%	100
Private 4 Year	15	8.98%	110	32	8.14%	100
Community College	113	67.66%	103	258	65.65%	100
Private Trade/Technical	1	0.60%	78	3	0.76%	100
Some Other College	4	2.40%	105	9	2.29%	100
Total	167	100.00%		393	100.00%	

to indicate they were attending a private four year institution than seniors overall. Over eight percent (8.98%) indicated they will be attending a four year private university. Sandy Seniors were slightly less likely than seniors overall to indicate they would be attending either a public four year or private trade/technical institution. Four Sandy Seniors (2.40%) indicated they would be attending some other type of college. Data are presented graphically in Figure CTIAS1.

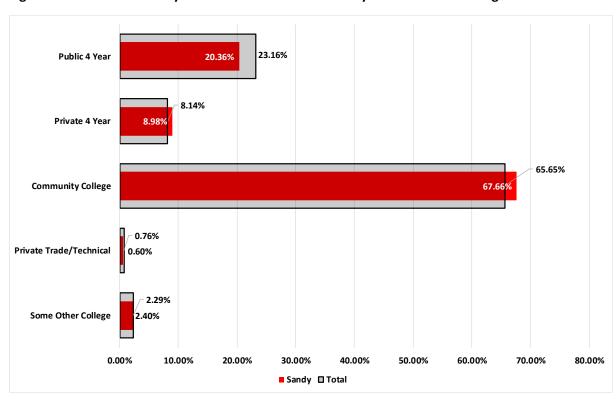
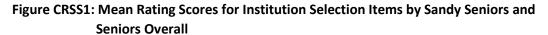


Figure CTIAS1: Plot of Sandy Seniors and Seniors Overall by Institution Attending

Reasons for Selecting

Seniors were provided a list of sixteen attributes associated with colleges / universities and asked to rate each based on its importance in selecting the institution chosen on a seven-point scale (1=Totally Unimportant to 7=Totally Important). Results for Sandy Seniors are presented in Table CRSS1. The table includes the Total Mean and Standard Deviation; these are the overall mean scores for all seniors participating and are highlighted in grey. Mean scores for Sandy Seniors were very similar to the overall scores. Sandy Seniors were slighty more likely to identify *Programs available of interest to me* (Sandy Mean = 5.61, s.d. 1.56 / Overall Mean = 5.58, s.d. 1.51) and *Location - Convenient* (Sandy Mean = 5.18, s.d. 1.40 / Overall Mean = 5.11, s.d. 1.46) than were seniors overall.

Three items were rated more important than the others for Sandy Seniors; the mean importance scores were similar to seniors overall. The *Programs available of interest to me* was identified as the most important item for Sandy Seniors (Mean = 5.61, s.d. 1.56). The second highest rated item for Sandy Seniors was *Overall cost of attending* (Mean = 5.57, s.d. 1.48). The third most important item for Sandy Seniors was *Post graduate opportunities* (Mean =5.41, s.d. 1.63). All three of these items had over seventy percent of Sandy Seniors rate the importance between "Somewhat Important" to "Totally Important." An additional three items had average importance scores above 5.00: (1) *Availability of financial aid*, (2) *Location – Convenient*, and (3) *School / Program Reputation*. The data are presented graphically in Figure CRSS1.



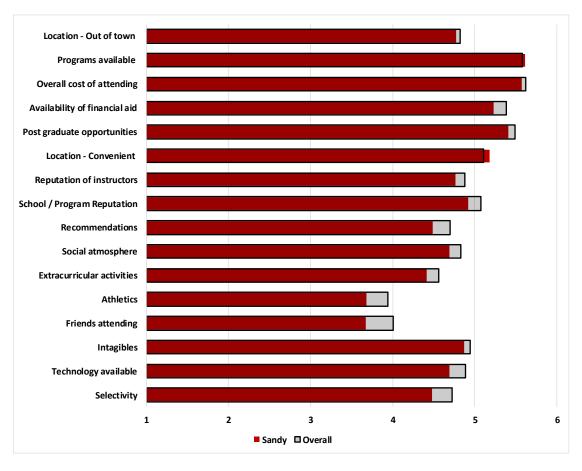


Table CRSS1: Sandy Seniors' Ratings and Mean Scores of Importance of Attributes in Selecting a College/University

Sandy										,	
Reasons for selecting a	Totally	Unimportant	Somewhat	Neutral	Somewhat	Important	Totally	Total	Mean	Total Mean	Index
college/university	Unimportant	Unimportant	Unimportant	Neutrai	Important	Important	Important	TOLAI	s.d.	s.d.	maex
Location - Out of town	14	10	5	37	29	41	25	161	4.77	4.82	99
/ away from home	8.7%	6.2%	3.1%	23.0%	18.0%	25.5%	15.5%	100.0%	1.73	1.71	
Programs available of	7	5	2	22	16	57	52	161	5.61	5.58	10:
interest to me	4.3%	3.1%	1.2%	13.7%	9.9%	35.4%	32.3%	100.0%	1.56	1.51	
Overall cost of attending	4	4	2	28	23	44	55	160	5.57	5.62	9
	10.0%	2.5%	1.3%	17.5%	14.4%	27.5%	34.4%	100.0%	1.48	1.46	
Availability of financial aid	7	6	9	22	32	40	44_	160	5.23	5.38	9
	4.4%	3.8%	5.6%	13.8%	20.0%	25.0%	27.5%	100.0%	1.63	1.56	
Post graduate opportunities	10	3	1	29	22	48	47	160	5.41	5.49	99
	6.3%	1.9%	0.6%	18.1%	13.8%	30.0%	29.4%	100.0%	1.63	1.51	
Location - Convenient	6	2	5	35	32	58	22	160	5.18	5.11	103
/ easy to get to	3.8%	1.3%	3.1%	21.9%	20.0%	36.3%	13.8%	100.0%	1.40	1.46	
Reputation of instructors	10	10	6	34	35	52	13	160	4.76	4.88	98
	6.3%	6.3%	3.8%	21.3%	21.9%	32.5%	8.1%	100.0%	1.56	1.54	
School / Program Reputation	14	3	4	37	27	54	22	161	4.92	5.07	97
	8.7%	1.9%	2.5%	23.0%	16.8%	33.5%	13.7%	100.0%	1.65	1.54	
Recommendations	9	13	11	44	39	33	12	161	4.49	4.70	90
from others	5.6%	8.1%	6.8%	27.3%	24.2%	20.5%	7.5%	100.0%	1.54	1.50	
Social atmosphere	13	8	8	39	37	39	16	160	4.69	4.83	9
	8.1%	5.0%	5.0%	24.4%	23.1%	24.4%	10.0%	100.0%	1.62	1.51	
Extracurricular activities	13	12	7	44	42	28	14	160	4.41	4.56	9
	8.1%	7.5%	4.4%	27.5%	26.3%		8.8%	100.0%	1.64	1.61	
Athletics	32	21	10	42	21	18	17	161	3.68	3.94	93
	19.9%	13.0%	6.2%	26.1%	13.0%		10.6%	100.0%	1.97	1.86	
Friends attending	20	23	24	46	27	14	8_	162	3.67	4.01	92
	12.3%	14.2%	14.8%	28.4%	16.7%	8.6%	4.9%	100.0%	1.63	1.63	
Intagibles	11	7	10	38	25	39	30	160	4.87	4.94	99
(Campus feels right)	6.9%	4.4%	6.3%	23.8%	15.6%	24.4%	18.8%	100.0%	1.74	1.60	
Technology available	12	8	8	42	30	40	20	160	4.69	4.89	96
	7.5%	5.0%	5.0%	26.3%	18.8%	25.0%	12.5%	100.0%	1.68	1.55	
Selectivity	12	7	4	65	28	31	14	161	4.48	4.72	95
(Requirements / Eligibility)	7.5%	4.3%	2.5%	40.4%	17.4%	19.3%	8.7%	100.0%	1.52	1.50	

Scholarships

College/University bound seniors were asked if they had been awarded any scholarships and, if so, the number and amount of each. Senior's being awarded scholarships and summary statistics regarding the awards are presented in Table CSS1. For Sandy

Seniors, over a

Table CSS1: Summary Statistics of Scholarship Awards for Sandy Seniors and Seniors Overall

Awarded		Sandy			Total	
Scholarships?	#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
Yes	64	38.32%	107	140	35.71%	100
No	103	61.68%	96	252	64.29%	100
Total	167	100.00%		392	100.00%	
Summary Statistics for		Sandy			Total	
Scholarships Awarded	Value		Index	Valu	e	Index
Mean		\$7,483.34	54		\$13,845.67	100
s.d.	Ç	\$11,828.02	34	!	\$34,894.49	100
Trimmed Mean (5%)		\$5,973.90	72		\$8,337.75	100
Median Value		\$3,448.50	93		\$3,700.00	100
Min		\$250.00			\$100.00	
Max	Ş	\$60,000.00		\$2	200,000.00	
Average # of Awards		1.88	106		1.78	100

third (38.32%) indicated they had received at least one scholarship. This was a slightly higher ratio than seniors overall (35.71%). The average (mean) scholarship award was \$7,483 and was lower than the average award for seniors overall. The high standard deviation indicates that some awards had very high dollar amounts (there were outliers in the data). As a result, a 5% trimmed mean (\$5,973) is also reported and is a more accurate reflection of the average award. The median value of scholarship awards was \$3,448; this is similar to seniors overall. The average number of awards Sandy Seniors received was 1.88, slightly above the average (1.78) for seniors overall. Seniors were also asked to provide the name of each scholarship they received. This data is presented in Appendix B.

Institution Selection

Based on the response to the type of institution they were attending, seniors were first asked if they were planning to attend an in-state or out-of-state institution. Seniors that indicated an out-of-state school were asked to identify the name and state/country of the school; please see Appendix C for a list of out-of-state colleges. Results of In-State and Out-of-State bound status for Sandy Seniors are reported in Table CISS1. For all seniors heading to a four year institution, 25.41% indicated they would be heading out-of-state. Sandy Seniors were more likely to indicate they would attend an institution out-of-state than were seniors overall; 28.57% of Sandy Seniors indicated they were heading out-of-state. Only 2.68% of Sandy Seniors bound for two-year institutions indicated they were heading out-of-state compared to 5.06% of seniors overall.

Table CISS1: In-State and Out-of-State Bound for Two and Four Year Institutions by Sandy Seniors and Seniors Overall

In-State/Out-of-			Sandy			Total	
State Bound		#	% Within	Index	#	% Within	Index
4-Year Bound	In-State	35	71.43%	96	91	74.59%	100
	Out-of-State	14	28.57%	112	31	25.41%	100
Total 4-Year Bound		49	100.00%		122	100.00%	
2-Year Bound	In-State	109	97.32%	103	244	94.94%	100
	Out-of-State	3	2.68%	53	13	5.06%	100
Total 2-Year Bound		112	100.00%		257	100.00%	
Both	In-State	144	89.44%	101	335	88.39%	100
	Out-of-State	17	10.56%	91	44	11.61%	100
Total Both		161	100.00%		379	100.00%	

For seniors that indicated they were bound for a four-year institution, a list of all public four-year universities in Oregon was provided. Seniors were asked to indicate if they: (1) Applied to, (2) were accepted, and (3) were planning to attend. Results for four-year public institutions are provided in Table CISS2. Sandy Seniors were most likely to apply to Oregon State University (33.3% Applied), Portland State University (19.0% Applied), or The University of Oregon (16.7% Applied). Sandy Seniors were just as likely to apply to Oregon State University or The University of Oregon as seniors overall; they were less likely to apply to Portland State University than seniors overall. Just under fifteen percent (14.3%) applied to Southern Oregon University; this is a much higher rate than seniors overall. Although the number of applications was smaller, both Eastern Oregon University (7.1% Applied) and Western Oregon University (7.1% Applied) had Sandy Seniors apply at higher rates than seniors overall. No Sandy Seniors applied to Oregon Health & Sciences University nor Southwestern Oregon University.

Of the forty-two Sandy Seniors that applied to public universities, twelve were not accepted; thirty Sandy Seniors (71.4% of those that applied) were accepted to the public universities they applied to. The proportions of those accepted were generally higher than the proportion of those that applied for most institutions. Portland State University and Southern Oregon University were the exceptions; the proportion accepted for Portland State University was 2.3% lower compared to students that applied and for Southern Oregon University was 7.6% lower. Comparing the acceptance proportions for Sandy Seniors to seniors overall reveals the proportions accepted to Eastern Oregon University (10.0% accepted compared to 5.5% overall), and Southern Oregon University (6.7% Accepted compared to 4.4%

accepted overall) were higher. The majority of Sandy Seniors indicating they would be attending a four-year public university identified Oregon State University (44.4% Attending) and Portland State University (22.2% Attending). Although fewer Sandy Seniors indicated an intent to attend Eastern Oregon University, the proportion is much higher when compared to seniors overall (11.1% Attending compared to 6.0% overall). The data are presented graphically in Figure CISS1.

Figure CISS1: Proportions of Sandy Seniors That Applied, Were Accepted, and Plan to Attend Four-year Public Institutions

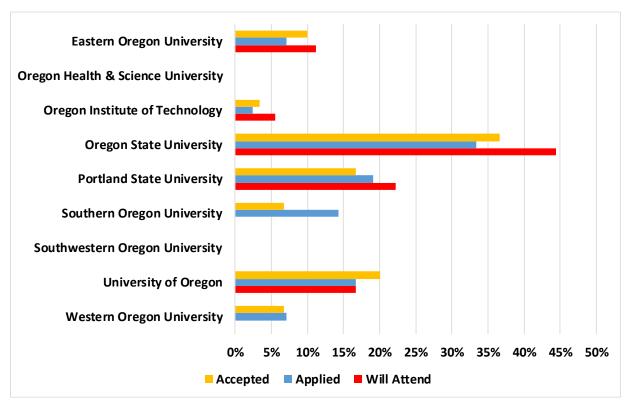


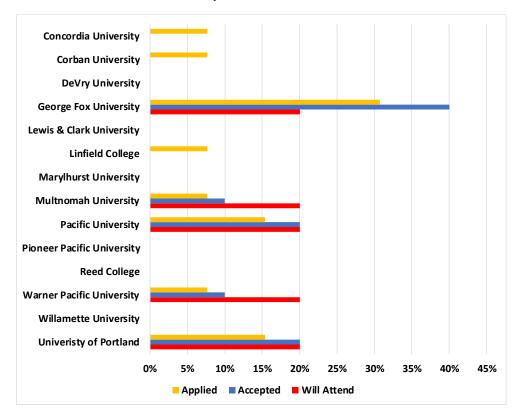
Table CISS2: Sandy Seniors and Seniors Overall Bound to Four Year Public Universities by Institution Attending

					Sandy									Total				
Institution		Applied		1	Accepted		W	/ill Attend			Applied			Accepted		W	/ill Attend	i
4-Year Public	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index
Eastern Oregon University	3	7.1%	173	3	10.0%	182	2	11.1%	186	5	4.1%	100	5	5.5%	100	4	6.0%	100
Oregon Health & Science University	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	3	2.5%	100	3	3.3%	100	3	4.5%	100
Oregon Institute of Technology	1	2.4%	72	1	3.3%	76	1	5.6%	93	4	3.3%	100	4	4.4%	100	4	6.0%	100
Oregon State University	14	33.3%	98	11	36.7%	104	8	44.4%	149	41	33.9%	100	32	35.2%	100	20	29.9%	100
Portland State University	8	19.0%	74	5	16.7%	89	4	22.2%	106	31	25.6%	100	17	18.7%	100	14	20.9%	100
Southern Oregon University	6	14.3%	216	2	6.7%	152	0	0.0%	0	8	6.6%	100	4	4.4%	100	2	3.0%	100
Southwestern Oregon University	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	2	1.7%	100	2	2.2%	100	2	3.0%	100
University of Oregon	7	16.7%	101	6	20.0%	101	3	16.7%	80	20	16.5%	100	18	19.8%	100	14	20.9%	100
Western Oregon University	3	7.1%	123	2	6.7%	101	0	0.0%	0	7	5.8%	100	6	6.6%	100	4	6.0%	100
Total	42	100.0%		30	100.0%		18	100.0%		121	100.0%		91	100.0%		67	100.0%	

For seniors that indicated they were bound for a four-year institution, a list of major private four-year universities in Oregon was provided. Again, seniors were asked if they applied to, were accepted, and plan to attend each university in the list. Results are presented in Table CISS3. A total of thirteen private university applications were submitted by Sandy Seniors. For Sandy Seniors that applied to private institutions, George Fox University (30.8% Applied) had the highest proportion. Pacific University and University of Portland each had two seniors submit applications (15.4% of the submitted applications). Five other private universities had one application each (7.7% of Sandy Seniors that applied): (1) Concordia University, (2) Corban University, (3) Linfield College, (4) Multnomah University, and (5) Warner Pacific University. No Sandy Seniors indicated they had applied to the other private universities listed. Although the number of applications were small, the Sandy Seniors' proportions compared to the proportions of seniors overall were very high for six of the institutions identified: (1) Corban University, (2) George Fox University, (3) Linfield College, (4) Multnomah University, (5) Pacific University, and (6) Warner Pacific University.

Of the thirteen applications to a private institution, ten were accepted (a 77% acceptance rate). All four of the applications submitted to George Fox University were accepted (40% of the accepted Sandy applications). Compared to seniors overall, the proportion of Sandy Seniors accepted to private institutions was higher for all accepting private institutions except University of Portland (20% Sandy Seniors Accepted compared to 28% acceptance rate for seniors overall). Of the ten applications that were accepted, five Sandy Seniors indicated they would attend a private institution. One each indicated they will attend George Fox University, Multnomah University, Pacific University, Warner Pacific

Figure CISS2: Proportions of Sandy Seniors That Applied, Were Accepted, and Plan to Attend Four-year Private Institutions



University, and University of Portland. Figure CISS2 presents the four-year private institution data graphically.

Table CISS3: Sandy Seniors and Seniors Overall Bound to Four Year Private Universities by Institution Attending

					Sandy									Total				
Institution		Applied			Accepted		V	/ill Attend			Applied			Accepted		V	Will Attend	1
4-Year Private	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index	#	%	Index
Concordia University	1	7.7%	41	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		9	18.8%	100	2	8.0%	100	1	14.3%	100
Corban University	1	7.7%	123	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		3	6.3%	100	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
DeVry University	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
George Fox University	4	30.8%	185	4	40.0%	167	1	20.0%	140	8	16.7%	100	6	24.0%	100	1	14.3%	100
Lewis & Clark University	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		2	4.2%	100	2	8.0%	100	1	14.3%	100
Linfield College	1	7.7%	123	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		3	6.3%	100	1	4.0%	100	0	0.0%	
Marylhurst University	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Multnomah University	1	7.7%	369	1	10.0%	250	1	20.0%	140	1	2.1%		1	4.0%		1	14.3%	100
Pacific University	2	15.4%	185	2	20.0%	167	1	20.0%	140	4	8.3%	100	3	12.0%	100	1	14.3%	100
Pioneer Pacific University	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Reed College	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		2	4.2%	100	1	4.0%	100	0	0.0%	
Warner Pacific University	1	7.7%	185	1	10.0%	125	1	20.0%	140	2	4.2%	100	2	8.0%	100	1	14.3%	100
Willamette University	0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Univeristy of Portland	2	15.4%	53	2	20.0%	71	1	20.0%	140	14	29.2%	100	7	28.0%	100	1	14.3%	100
Total	13	100.0%		10	100.0%		5	100.0%		48	100.0%		25	100.0%		7	100.0%	

For seniors indicating they would be attending a community college, the seventeen Oregon community colleges were listed and students were asked if they plan to attend. There is an application process for community colleges but anyone that

applies is

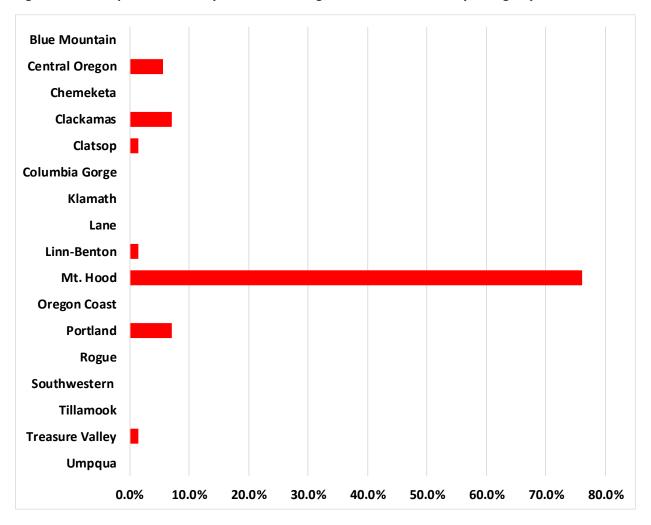
Table CISS4: Sandy Seniors and Seniors Overall Bound for Community College by Institution Attending

		Sandy			Total	
Institution	'	Will Attend		V	Vill Attend	
Community College	#	%	Index	#	%	Index
Blue Mountain	0	0.0%	0	2	1.1%	100
Central Oregon	4	5.6%	94	11	6.0%	100
Chemeketa	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Clackamas	5	7.0%	107	12	6.6%	100
Clatsop	1	1.4%	258	1	0.5%	100
Columbia Gorge	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Klamath	0	0.0%	0	2	1.1%	100
Lane	0	0.0%	0	2	1.1%	100
Linn-Benton	1	1.4%	129	2	1.1%	100
Mt. Hood	54	76.1%	119	117	63.9%	100
Oregon Coast	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Portland	5	7.0%	40	32	17.5%	100
Rogue	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Southwestern	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Tillamook	0	0.0%		0	0.0%	
Treasure Valley	1	1.4%	258	1	0.5%	100
Umpqua	0	0.0%	0	1	0.5%	100
Total	71	100.0%		183	100.0%	

accepted. The proportions were virtually identical for those that applied to those that plan to attend a community college; the application numbers are omitted. Results of Sandy Seniors and seniors overall indicating they will be attending a community college are presented in Table CISS4. Seventy-one Sandy Seniors indicated they planned to attend a community college in Oregon. The majority of Sandy Seniors indicated they would be attending Mt. Hood Community College (76.1% Attending). Fourteen percent indicated they would be attending the other two Portland Metropolitan Community Colleges: Clackamas Community College (7.0% Attending) and Portland Community College (7.0% Attending). Although all of the Sandy School District lies within the Mt. Hood District Boundary, fourteen percent of the students attending a community college are attending other institutions within the Portland Metropolitan Area. Compared to seniors overall, Sandy Seniors are attending Portland Community College at a much lower rate (7.0% compared to 17.5% overall). They are attending Mt. Hood at a higher rate compared to seniors overall (76.1% compared to 63.9% overall). Finally they are attending Clackamas at a similar rate to seniors overall (7.0% compared to 6.6% overall). Although the numbers are small, a higher proportion of Sandy Seniors indicated they would be attending Clatsop Community College (1.4% compared to 0.5% overall), Linn-Benton Community College (1.4% compared to 1.1% overall), and Treasure Valley Community College (1.4% compared to 0.5% overall). The Community College attending data are presented graphically in Figure CISS3.

Only one Sandy Senior indicated they applied, were accepted, and will be attending a private technical college: Northwest College. No analysis or data are presented.





Results – Sandy High School Custom Questions

Each of the participating high schools was provided a section of the survey that they could use to ask question specifically of their seniors. Sandy administrators and counselors identified areas that they wanted addressed in the school specific area of the survey and worked with MHCC to develop question format. These school-specific questions were incorporated into survey and were presented prior to the MHCC questions.

Number of High Schools

Sandy Seniors were asked how many high schools they had attended. Data are reported in Table CQS1. Over eighty-five percent of seniors (85.97%) indicated that Sandy was the only high school they had attended. Just over ten percent (10.41%) indicated they had

Table CQS1: Number of High Schools Attended

How many High Schools Attended	Responses	Percent
Sandy Only	190	85.97%
1 Other High School	23	10.41%
2 Other High Schools	6	2.71%
3 or More Other High Schools	2	0.90%
Total	221	100.00%

attended one other high school. Three percent (3.61%) indicated they had attended two or more high schools. Data are presented graphically in Figure CQS1.

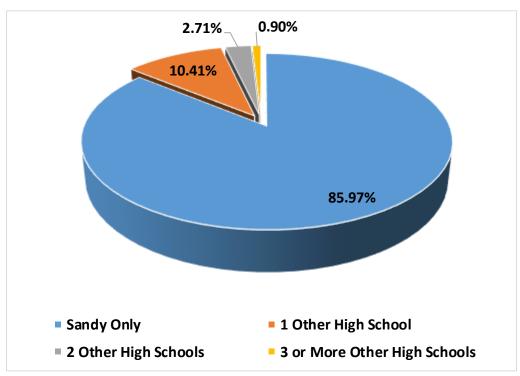


Figure CQS1: Pie Chart of Number of High Schools Attended

Sandy High School Events

Table CQS2: Sandy High School Event Helpfulness

	Not at all	Slightly		Very		Did Not
Item	Helpful	Helpful	Helpful	Helpful	Total	Attend
 Financial Aid Night	28	39	46	16	129	100
I mancial Ald Night	21.71%	30.23%	35.66%	12.40%	100.00%	43.67%
Individual Meeting(s) with my	18	40	78	70	206	22
counselor	8.74%	19.42%	37.86%	33.98%	100.00%	9.65%
National College Fair field trip	20	34	44	26	124	105
to Portland	16.13%	27.42%	35.48%	20.97%	100.00%	45.85%
College Admissions	17	30	67	23	137	91
Representative Visits to SHS	12.41%	21.90%	48.91%	16.79%	100.00%	39.91%
College Application Week	28	33	70	44	175	53
activities in the lecture room	16.00%	18.86%	40.00%	25.14%	100.00%	23.25%
Job Shadow	30	42	65	86	223	7
Job Stiddow	13.45%	18.83%	29.15%	38.57%	100.00%	3.04%
Visits to College and Career	13	30	72	76	191	39
Center	6.81%	15.71%	37.70%	39.79%	100.00%	16.96%
"Thrive At 25" Activity my	67	44	49	27	187	43
freshman year	35.83%	23.53%	26.20%	14.44%	100.00%	18.70%
CIS Research my freshman	38	55	79	29	201	29
and/or sophomore years	18.91%	27.36%	39.30%	14.43%	100.00%	12.61%

Sandy Seniors were provided a list of nine events and asked to rate the helpfulness of each on a four point scale (1=Not at all Helpful to 4=Very Helpful). Seniors that did not attend a given event were asked to indicate that. Results are presented in Table CQS2. Visits to College and Career Center and Individual Counselor Meetings appear to be the most helpful of the events listed. Over seventy percent (77.5% and 71.8% respectively) of students rated these meetings as "Helpful" or "Very Helpful." Additionally, both events were well attended by Sandy Seniors; a total of 191 Sandy Seniors participated in Visits to College and Career Center and a total of 206 participated in Individual Counselor Meetings. The Job Shadow event was the most well attended event in the list (223 Sandy Seniors participated) and was also very helpful; 67.7% of Sandy Seniors rated this event as "Helpful" to "Very Helpful." Two events had similar proportions of Sandy Seniors identifying them as helpful: (1) College Admissions Representative Visits to SHS and (2) College Application Week activities in the lecture room. Both of these events had over sixty five percent (65.69% and 65.14% respectively) of Sandy Seniors rate them as "Helpful" or "Very Helpful." Attendance for these two events were moderate with 137 indicating participating in College Admissions Representative Visits to SHS and 175 indicating participating in College Application Week activities in the lecture room. Financial Aid Night and "Thrive At 25" Activity

my freshman year were considered the least helpful of the activities identified. Less than fifty percent (48.1% and 40.6% respectively) rated these events as "Helpful" or "Very Helpful." Data are presented graphically in Figure CQS2.

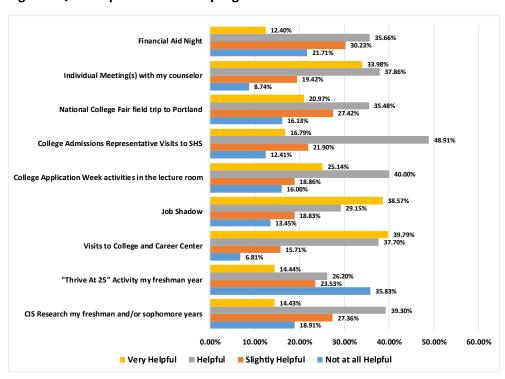


Figure CQS2: Helpfulness of Sandy High School Events

Conclusions / Recommendations

The High School Senior What's Next Survey was a successful effort that provided much needed insights into seniors' next steps after graduation. Additionally, it established a cooperative and mutually beneficial relationship with the participating high schools. MHCC intends to continue the effort with indistrict high schools and will make efforts to bring more of the nine high schools onboard for future administrations.

The research question and study objectives are outlined below along with conclusions / recommendations based on study findings:

Research Question:

What are in-district high school seniors planning on doing once they receive their high school diploma?

- The majority of seniors surveyed indicated they will be continuing their education after graduating from high school. Almost seventy percent of seniors (68.09%) indicated they would continue their education.
- Over half of the respondents (54.61%) indicated they would be working four months after graduating.
- Over twenty percent (22.53%) of respondents indicated they would be travelling and almost fifteen percent (14.85%) indicated they would be doing volunteer work.
- Just under eight percent (7.85%) said they would be doing something else (review of comments revealed most were very specific with regard to schools attending).
- Seven percent (7.00%) indicated they didn't know what they would be doing.
- A smaller percentage indicated they would be serving in the military (5.46%).

Study Objectives:

- **O1)** Determine in-district high school seniors' intent after they graduate.
- **O1a)** Identify the percentage of in-district high school seniors intending to continue in post-secondary education.
 - Almost seventy percent of seniors surveyed (68.09%) indicated they would be continuing their education.
- O1b) Of those in Objective 01a, calculate the percentage that have applied, been accepted, and intend to go to a:
 - Public 4-year Institution
 - Just under a quarter of seniors (23.16%) indicated they would be attending a public 4-year institution.
 - A total of 121 applications were submitted to in-state 4-year public universities.
 - Of the 121 applications, 91 were accepted; this is an 75.21% acceptance rate.
 - Of the 91 accepted applications, 67 seniors (73.63% of accepted applications) are actually attending a 4-year public institution.

Private 4-year Institution

- About eight percent (8.14%) of seniors indicated they would be attending a private 4-year institution.
- Seniors submitted 48 applications to private in-state 4-year institutions.
- o Of the 48 applications, 25 were accepted: a 52.08% acceptance rate.
- Of the 25 accepted applications, seven seniors indicated they would be attending a 4-year private institution.

Community College

- Almost two-thirds (65.65%) of seniors indicated they would be attending a community college.
- The application process is different for community colleges; everyone that applies is accepted.
- A total of 258 surveyed seniors indicated they would be attending a community college.

Private Trade/Technical College

- A very small percentage (2.29%) indicated they would be attending a private trade/technical institution.
- Only three applications were submitted to private trade/technical institutions and all three
 of these seniors indicated they would attend the private trade/technical college they
 selected.
- **O1c)** Of those in Objective 01a, identify the institutions in-district high school seniors intending to continue in post-secondary education are attending.
 - For seniors bound to public 4-year institutions, the three largest schools in the state will see the biggest proportions of high school seniors attending: Oregon State University (29.9% Attending), Portland State University (20.9% Attending), and University of Oregon (20.9% Attending).
 - For seniors bound to private 4-year institutions, one each indicated they would be attending: Concordia University, George Fox University, Lewis & Clark University, Multnomah University, Pacific University, Warner Pacific University, and University of Portland.
 - For seniors bound to community colleges, the majority will go to MHCC (63.9% Attending).
 That said, a large proportion of high school seniors will be going to Portland Community College (17.5% Attending) and Clackamas Community College (6.6% Attending). When looking at all three Portland Metropolitan Area Colleges, over a quarter (27.3%) of MHCC district seniors surveyed will be attending one of the other two colleges.
 - Only three seniors indicated they would be attending a private trade/technical college; two
 indicated they would attend Northwest College and one indicated an intent to attend Everest
 College.

- **O1d)** Determine what in-district high school seniors who do not intend to continue in post-secondary education are planning to do once the graduate.
 - The majority of seniors that are not continuing their education have indicated they will be working (40.1% of those not continuing education).
 - A roughly equal percentage not continuing their education will be Traveling (12.8%), Serving in the Military (10.2%), and/or are Undecided (15.0%).
 - A roughly equal percentage of seniors that indicated they would not be continuing their education indicated they would be Doing Volunteer Work (4.3%) or Doing Something Else (6.4%).
- **O1e)** For in-district high school seniors who do not intend to continue in post-secondary education Identify reasons for not continuing.
 - Overwhelmingly, seniors that were not continuing their education identified *Costs* as the reason. This item had an average score of 3.81 out of 7. This item had an average score of 3.81 out of 7 and was a full point higher than the next highest reason *Not Interested* (Mean = 2.80).
 - The second strongest identified reason was seniors *Not Interested* (Mean 2.80). The next two highest rated reasons were *Don't know what I want to do* and *Grades aren't good enough*; these two items had similar mean scores (2.74 and 2.73 respectively).
 - In addition to identifying reasons for not continuing, the survey asked respondents to identify
 information sources that would increase the likelihood of their continuing their education.
 Although none of the information sources would dramatically increase the likelihood, three
 information sources did indicate a chance of increasing seniors' decision to continue their
 education.
 - Paralleling the costs reason for not attending, information associated with *Financial Aid/Scholarship Information* would have the greatest impact on seniors continuing their education. The mean score for this item was 3.00 out of 7.
 - Information regarding Job placement services after graduation (mean score of 2.75 out of
 7) and Flexible schedules (mean score of 2.70 out of 7) would also have an impact.
- **O2)** For in-district high school seniors that intend to go to a 4-year institution, identify reasons for not considering a community college.
 - For 4-year bound seniors, Programs available of interest to me, Post graduate opportunities,
 Overall cost of attending, Intangibles, and Availability of financial aid were rated as the most
 important reasons for selecting the institution they chose.

- Data revealed that, generally, seniors bound to 4-year institutions rated reasons as more important than the community college bound counterparts. *Programs available of interest to me* (4-year bound mean = 6.08 vs. CC bound mean = 5.34), *Location Out of town/away from home* (4-year bound mean = 5.11 vs. CC bound mean = 4.69), *School / Program Reputation* (4-year bound mean = 5.55 vs. CC bound mean = 4.83), *Post Graduate Opportunities* (4-year bound mean = 5.18 vs. CC bound mean = 5.28), *Reputation of Instructors* (4-year bound mean = 5.18 vs. CC bound mean = 4.77), *Social Atmosphere* (4-year bound mean = 5.33 vs. CC bound mean = 4.61), *Extracurricular Activities* (4-year bound mean = 5.15 vs. CC bound mean = 4.29), *Athletics* (4-year bound mean = 4.49 vs. CC bound mean = 3.69), *Technology Available* (4-year bound mean = 5.12 vs. CC bound mean = 4.77), and *Intangibles* (4-year bound mean = 5.47 vs. CC bound mean = 4.70) were all significantly more important reasons for 4 year bond seniors compared to their community college bound counterparts.
- O3) For in-district high school seniors that intend to go to a 2-year institution, identify reasons for choosing the institution they plan to attend.
 - For community college bound seniors, Overall cost of attending, Programs available of interest to me, Availability of financial aid, Convenient Location, and Post graduate opportunities were rated as most important reasons for selecting the college they chose.
 - In general, community college bound seniors rated most of the reasons for attending lower than their 4-year bound counterparts. *Friends Attending* (4-year bound mean = 3.70 vs. CC bound mean = 4.17) was the only reason for selecting that community college bound seniors were significantly more likely to rate higher than the 4-year bound counterparts.

Recommendations

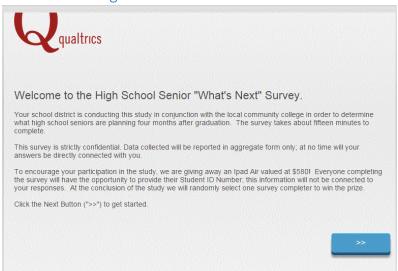
- Data revealed that a fifth of seniors (21.23%) either did not know or identified themselves as
 residing in a community college district other than MHCC. Unless students are commuting from
 outside their school district, all seniors reside within MHCC's district boundary. Efforts must be
 made to establish the college district that serves these high school seniors.
- Along similar lines, for seniors that are attending a community college in the Portland Metropolitan Area, almost three quarters (72.67%) have indicated they will attend MHCC. Over twenty-five percent have indicated they will be attending either Portland Community College (19.88%) or Clackamas Community College (7.45%). This leakage must be addressed. Data revealed that those attending one of the other two metropolitan colleges (Portland or Clackamas) perceived them to: (1) be more conveniently located, (2) have programs that were a better fit, or (3) have more reasonable costs.
- A wealth of data regarding the types of information to provide both seniors that do plan to
 continue their education and those that do not was captured. Information content should be
 focused on costs, financial aid / scholarship availability, flexibility of schedules, and job
 placement services available to graduates. Perceptions of grades not being good enough and
 the college's ability to address it is another potential information topic. It is essential the

communication start early; particularly to convince those that are not intending to continue their education that it is a viable option.

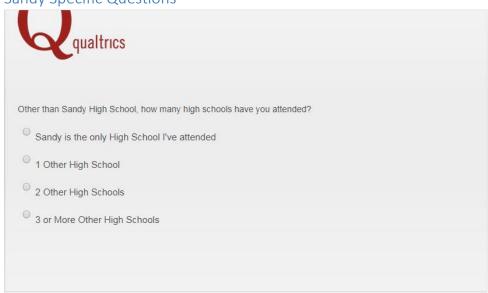
Appendix A: The Survey

The following pages contain screen shots of the on-line survey as it was presented to seniors. The high school-specific questions are included in the screen shots. Each school was provided with a unique URL for the survey. The unique URL allowed students to be tagged to their high school and suppressed questions specific to other participating high schools.

Introduction Page

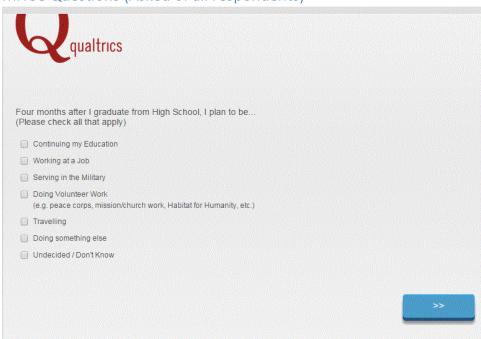


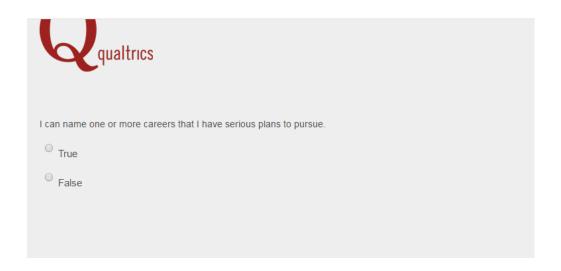
Sandy Specific Questions



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MHCC Questions (Asked of all respondents)

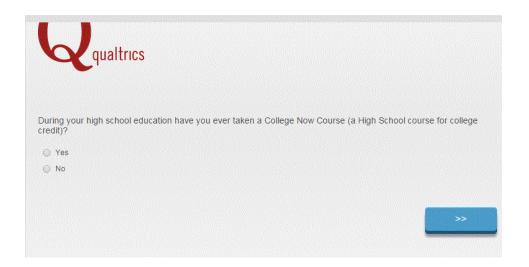




The following two questions were asked of seniors that indicated "True" on the preceding question.

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How did you decide that career / those careers would be a good match for you? (Please check all that apply)
☐ I read or saw something about it that interested me.
A class assignment, activity, or adult conversation brought this career to my attention.
I took a career aptitude test.
Someone I know is in this career.
My personality seems like it would be a good match with this career.
Not sure / Undecided
Some Other Reason. (Please Specify):

What career(s) are you interested in pursuing? (Please check all that apply)	
☐ Law Enforcement	
□ Law	
☐ Social Services	
☐ Business	
☐ Medical	
☐ Teaching	
Performing Arts	
☐ Fine Arts	
☐ Engineering	
☐ Computing	
☐ Retail/Sales	
☐ Trades	
☐ Manufacturing	
□ Don't Know	
Some Other Field (Please Specify)	
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The following questions were asked of any senior that did <u>not</u> indicate they would be continuing their education in the preceding question: "Four months after I graduate from high school, I plan to be..."

	Not a Reason at All	Minor Reason	Somewhat Minor Reason	Neither a Major nor Minor Reason	Somewhat Major Reason	Major Reason	Extreme Reason
Just not interested	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know what I want to be/do	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non't fit in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cost	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feel unprepared	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Already have a job	Θ	0	9	0	0	0	0
No one in my family has gone pefore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know where I want to go	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
My grades aren't good enough	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know how to apply	0	0	0	0	Θ	0	0
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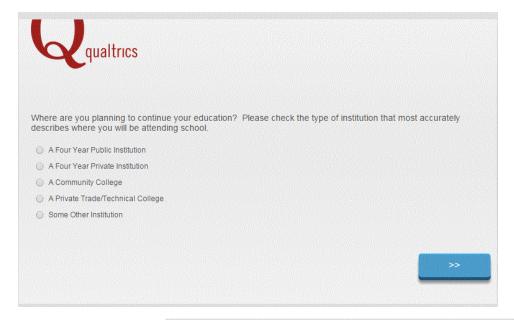


Listed below are information and services that could be available from any college / university. For each, please indicate if it would impact the likelihood of your continuing your education by checking the appropriate level.

	Not Change	Minor Increase	Somewhat Minor Increase	Increase	Somewhat Major Increase	Major Increase	Dramatic Increase
Lifetime salary comparison between HS Grads and College Grads	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Career Identification and Planning Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cost comparison of similar schools	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Financial Aid / Scholarship Availability	0	0	0	0	0	0	Θ
Orientation / Registration / Getting Started Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Services for Success (e.g. free tutoring)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Job Placement Services after Graduation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Social Events / Clubs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Flexible Schedules	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

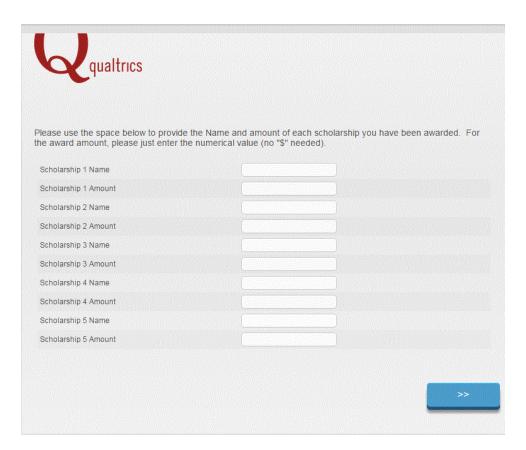
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The following questions were asked of any senior that indicated they would be continuing their education in the preceding question: "Four months after I graduate from high school, I plan to be..."

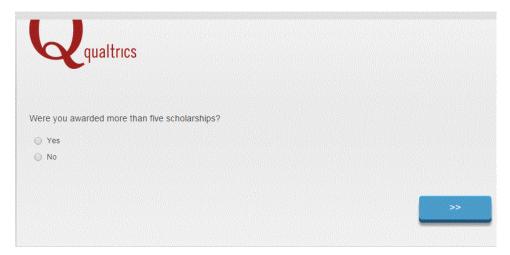


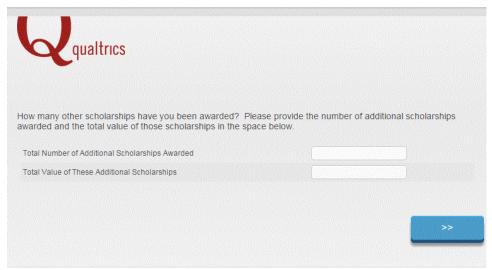


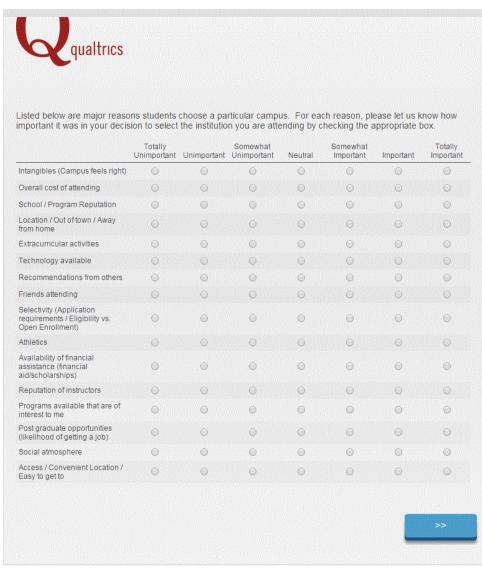
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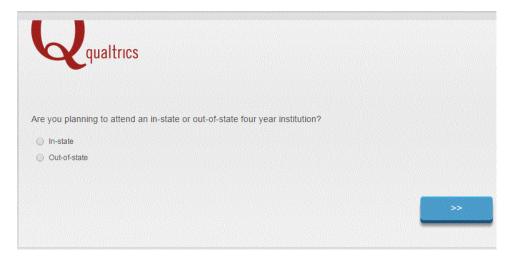
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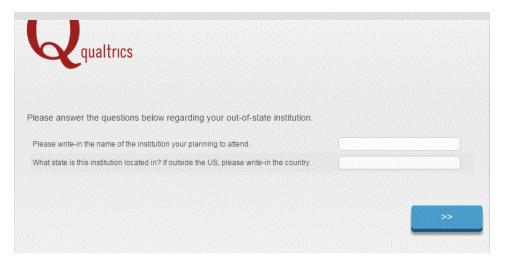




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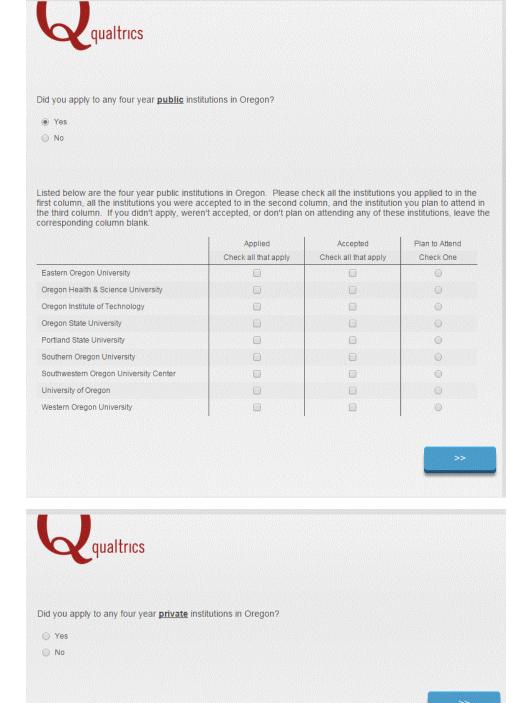


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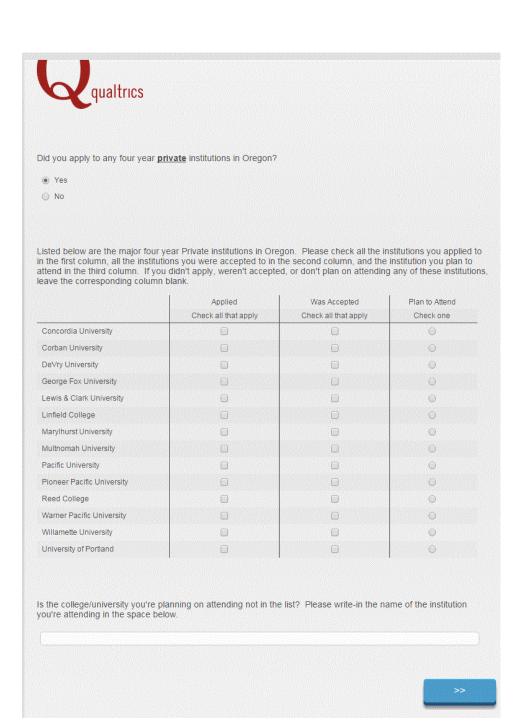




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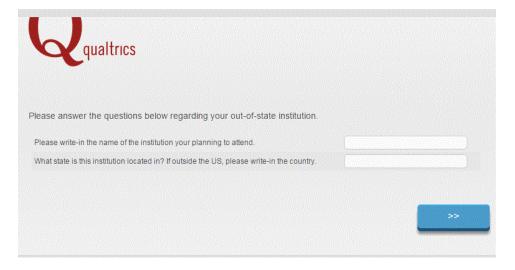
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Display if response to the question "Where are you planning to continue your education?" is "A Community College" or "A Private Trade/Technical Institution."

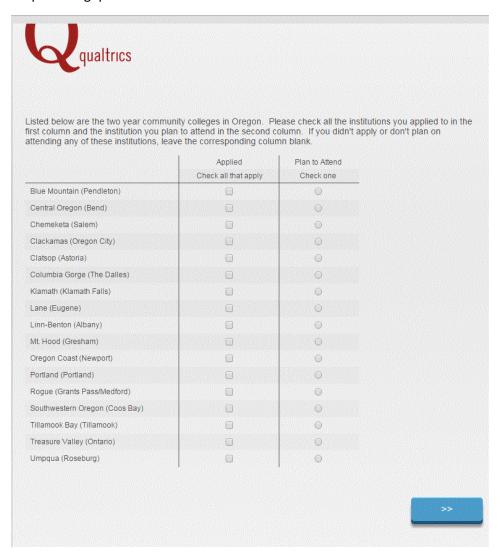


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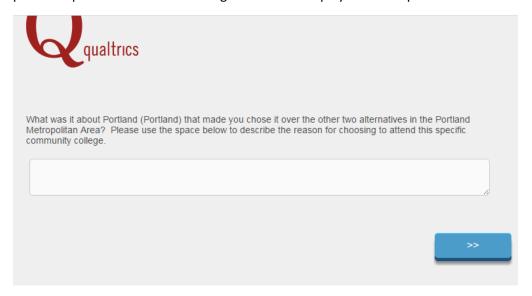




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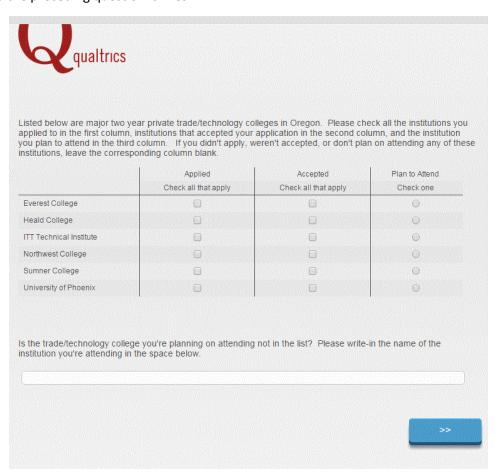


Question displays if student identified Portland, Mt. Hood, or Clackamas Community College in the previous question. Note: The college selected is displayed in this question.

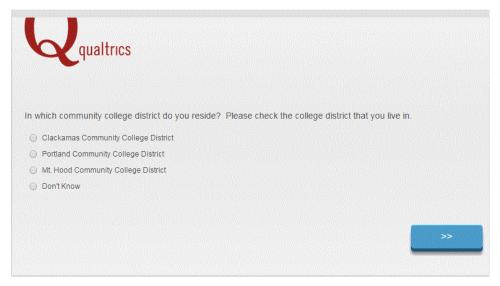


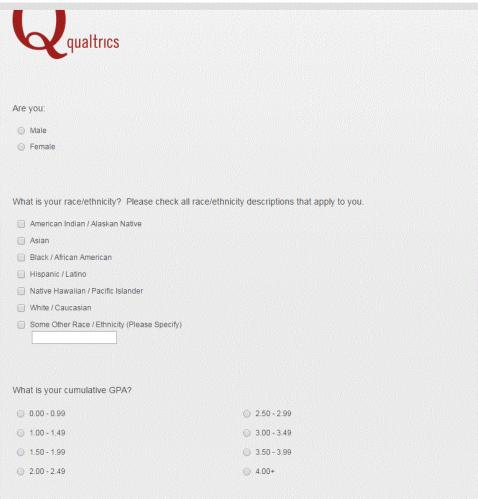


Display if the answer to the preceding question is "Yes."



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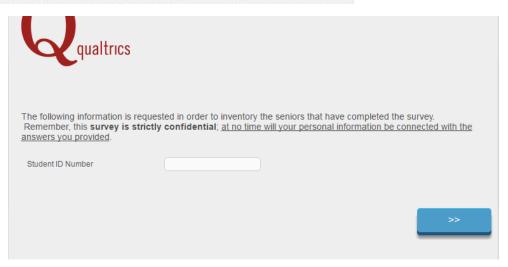


What is the highest level of education your parents have obtained? For each parent, please indicate their highest level of education by clicking the appropriate level.

Parent 1 Parent 2

Less Than High School Diploma
High School Diploma
Some College No Degree
Some College - Certificate
Associate's Degree
Bachelor's Degree
Master's Degree
Professional Degree
Doctorate / PhD
Don't Know

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Appendix B: Scholarship Awards

The following pages list all the scholarships awarded and amounts as identified by seniors. The data are organized by High School and Scholarship Name. No effort was made to correct senior spelling of the scholarship name or award amounts.

Sandy	~	Scholarship Name	w	Amount 🔻
		1570		500.00
		2000		1000.00
		4h fair		250.00
		4-H HEARTH Scholarship		250.00
		, 750		1000.00
		Academic achievement		1500.00
		Academic Achievement Award		6000.00
		Ann K. Dawson Memorial Scholarship		1000.00
		Art Skipper Jr track & field		500.00
		Athletic		10000.00
		Athletic scholarship		1000.00
		Audrey Shelley Morris Memorial Scholarship		1000.00
		Audrey Shelley Morris Scholarship		1000.00
		Choir Scholarship		1000.00
		Clackamas County Bank Scholarship		2500.00
		Eastwind		1000.00
		Eastwind Running and Endurance Scholarship)	1000.00
		Emar Scholarship		1500.00
		Federal Pell Grant		870.00
		FPU Athletics		7000.00
		FPU Facutly		8000.00
		FPU Pell Grant		5900.00
		Gresham Liona Club		1000.00
		Hoodland Womens Club		500.00
		Hoodland women's club		2000.00
		John Straus Memorial		1000.00
		Kaiser Permanente		2000.00
		Kiwanis		1000.00
		Kiwanis		1500.00
		Mark Trevac		1500.00
		Men's club		750.00
		MHCC		10000.00
		MHCC Student Recognition Award		10000.00
		Mount Hood Golf Club scholarship		750.00
		Mount hood woman's club		1500.00
		Mt.Hood lions		1000.00
		Music		5000.00
		Ned and Victoria Nelson		1500.00
		Newcomb Family Endowed Scholarship		2000.00
		Oregon Pell Grant		5600.00
		Oregon Promise		3397.00

Sandy	Scholarship Name	Amount
	Oregon State Presidential Scholarship	6000.00
	Presidential	36000.00
	Rotary club	3000.00
	Sandy Alumni	1500.00
	Sandy Gardening Club	750.00
	Sandy High School Student Body	750.00
	Sandy Kiwanis Club Scholarship	1000.00
	Sports premiere scholarship	9000.00
	Suburban Auto Group	1000.00
	Summit	24000.00
	Summit Scholarship	24000.00
	Telecommunications Scholarship	1500.00
	The stewart family	1500.00
	University award	1500.00
	Wyeast	500.00
		1000.00
		1000.00
		12000.00

Appendix C: Out-of-State Colleges and Universities High School Seniors Will Attend

When seniors indicated they would be attending an Out-of-state institution (both four-year and two-year institutions), they were asked to provide the name of the institution and the state or country they would be attending. The following is a list of Out-of-state institutions seniors indicated they would be attending sorted by high school.

Sandy High School

4-Year Institutions

High School	Out of State Institution	State/Country	# Students
Sandy	Grand Canyon University	AZ	3
	Brigham Young University	UT	2
	California baptist university	CA	1
	California Lutheran	CA	1
	California state	CA	1
	Colorado State University-Pueblo	СО	1
	evergreen state	WA	1
	Fresno Pacific University	CA	1
	Seattle Pacific University	WA	1
	Total		12

2-Year Institutions

High School	Out of State Institution	State/Country	# Students
Sandy	Big Bend Community College	WA	1
	Clark community college	WA	1
	Total		2

Appendix D: Open Comments

Several questions in the main survey asked follow-up questions to get more specific information. The comments are provided in the following tables. No effort was made to correct spelling nor were the comments edited for content.

When seniors clicked "Doing something else" in the question "Four months after I graduate from High School, I plan to be...," they were prompted to provide information on what else they would be doing. Table AD1 lists the responses provide by High School.

Table AD1: Responses to What Else Will You Be Doing?

High School	Other Activities Seniors Will Be Doing					
Sandy	having a big back surgery					
	help out in stepdads business, develop a app for shopping					
	Looking for ways to get to my future job					
	To my feeling, I'll be going to Mt. Hood Community College and join some classes I'm interested in.					
	Working and school					
	Working as much as I can while still going to school					

One of the choices in the Question asking seniors how they knew their career choice would be a good fit was "Some Other Reason." Seniors were asked to please describe the other reason. Responses are provided in Table AD2.

Table AD2: Other Reasons Career Choice was a Good Fit

High School	Other Reasons Career Choice Was A Good Fit
Sandy	Along with extensive years of therapy, art saved my life, and I want to help others to heal through creativity as well.
	Ambition
	Doing research about the field I was interested in and seeing what was the high hiring job rate, then picked a career that fitted
	me the best.
	Drama classes and mrs griffin is Amazing
	Family background.
	follow my dads footseps
	I am passionate about the careers that I am considering to pursue.
	I really enjoy the culture and community that surrounds the work I'd like to pursue.
	I'm good at it and enjoy it
	Im passonate about art
	Job shadow
	Manufacturing tech taught me to weld and widened my interest with hands on activities.
	My counselors said that the career would fit me and wondered if I had ever been interested in it.
	My dad had cancer and I got to meet with his anesthesiologists.
	My friends and I have discussed this topic
	Teaching myself computer coding online
	While traveling became interested, asked questions, sounded like a perfect match so i did more research on job requiremenets
	and courses i would have to take and decided thats what i would love doing.
	Women in my family have been teachers for many generations

After a list of careers was presented and seniors were asked to check all that they were interested in pursuing, seniors were asked to identify other fields they might be interested in. Responses are provided in Table AD3.

Table AD3: Other Career Fields of Interest

High School	Other Fields of Interest
Sandy	firefighting
	Accounting, Journalism
	Agriculture teacher
	architecture
	Architecture
	Architecture.
	Art (Graphis Design) Marine Biology
	Asl translater
	automotiv
	automotive
	Automotive
	Autos
	botany and wildlife
	CAD/BIM
	Clothing Business/Designing
	Cosmetology
	Education
	Electrician
	Electrician or elavator mechanic
	electrition
	EMT/ FireFighter. Water Rescue/ Recovery Team
	Firefighter
	Flight Attendant
	Forensic Science
	Forestry
	Frie department
	Government
	Healy and fitness
	I want to pursue a career in wildlife. I'd like to work in nature, working with animals habitats.
	Jet mechanic
	Journalism
	Marine Biology
	Marine Biology, AutoMotive Engineer
	military
	MMA
	Modern Language
	MotoGP racing (motorcycle racing) and tattoo artist
	munitions and or bartending
	Music Production
	Psychology
	psychology,
	Science
	Scientific research
	Sociology
	Specifically tattooing
	Veterinary medicine
	Video game design
	Video Game Design
	welding
	Writing

After evaluating reasons for not continuing their education, Seniors were asked if there were any other reasons for not continuing. Responses to the question "Are there some other reasons for <u>not</u> continuing your education?" are provided in Table AD4.

Table AD4: Response to the Question: Are There Some Other Reasons for <u>Not</u> Continuing Your Education?

High School	Reasons for Not Continuing Education
Sandy	Expenses
	I don't like school
	I have a life planned out already that does not need collage
	I was thinking of going to a college or a university, but I am going to try and go to a trade school, northwest lineman
	college.
	i'm just not wanting to go to collage
	It's a waste of money and a waste of my time.
	Just already got my eyes i want to do
	no
	No

For Seniors that indicated they would be continuing their education, they were asked to identify the type of institution they would be attending (e.g. four year public, four year private, etc.). For those that identified "some other type of institution," they were asked to identify the other type of institution. Results are presented in Table AD5.

Table AD5: Other Types of Institutions Seniors Will Be Attending

High School	Other Type Of Institution Attending
Sandy	A 5 month program
	Apprenticeship
	PCC than, PSU

For seniors that indicated they were attending a 4-year Private University, they were asked to identify private institutions not in the list. No seniors indicated additional 4-Year Private Institutions.

In the community college section of the survey, students that identified they would be attending a Portland Metropolitan Area college (Clackamas, Mt. Hood, or Portland) were asked the reason they chose that college over the other two alternatives. Responses are provided in Table AD7.

Table AD7: Reasons for selecting Portland Metro College Over Alternatives

Sandy	What was it about Clackamas Community College that made you chose it over the other two?
Clackamas	I used to live in Astoria and my mom attended Clatsop Community College, Clackamas Community College seems close, and
	My mom used to work and attend Mount Hood Community College as well as it is very close to me.
	Its close
	Seemed important
	They are close by to home and work
	What made me choose this college is because of the music education transfer program because I want to teach Music
	Education And Music Theory

Sandy

What was it about Mt. Hood Community College that made you chose it over the other two?

Mt. Hood

Its close to my dads house and i can walk there.

Because it has a really good cermaics program

Because it's near to where I live.

Cheap close and good funeral service program

Cheaper than all the rest, and I get the same education I would at some fancy shmancy place. You don't need to spend tens of thousands for an education you could get for far less.

Close by and not spendy

Close to home

Close to home and cheao

Close to home, 2 years free, nice campus

Close to home, great Nursing program

Close to home.

Close to my house

close to where I live

Close, inexpensive, had the prerequisits i needed.

Closer

Closer than other community colleges

Closest and I have heard great experiences from people who have attended their forestry program

Convenience

Distance from home. A lot closer than all the other ones and I hear a lot of good things from it.

Dual Credit classes means I'm going in with a bunch of college credit

For the programs and recommendation I've heard from people.

I had over a year of college now credits completed. Which is half way through my associates

I had previously taken college-now classes, so I have credits there. By attending in the fall I am able to complete my associates degree in three terms. This will overall save me both time and money.

Llive close by

I used to live in Astoria and my mom attended Clatsop Community College, Clackamas Community College seems close, and My mom used to work and attend Mount Hood Community College as well as it is very close to me.

It has the programs I'm interested in and I have heard great things about it

It is close and offers me the pre reg's i need

It is closer than the rest of the school to my location. And im interested in their dental hygienist program

It is closer to where i live.

it is closest to my house

It is very close to home (about 5 minutes). I was able to easily connect with Mount Hood Community College by taking CollegeNow courses and using the MHCC library in high school. Lastly, being able to be eligible for the Oregon Promise made me want to go to college without having to be in hardly any, if any, school debt.

It was closer to where I live. And It is also free.

It was the school that was allowed to have the college now credits and it is a well known college that has a good well known nursing program.

It's closer

It's the closest one to where I live.

Its close

Its closer, and from what ive heard its a very good school

Its nearer, and my family went there

Just the fact its close to home and i feel like its the appropriate school for me

MHCC is affiliated with Marylhurst through an art program, which is relevant to me because I want to be an art therapist and am pretty sure that I would be able to attend both schools at the same time.

Mt. Hood is close to me so I can stay at home and they offer a Modern Language Transfer degree.

None. Just told to go, don't want to attend this college

Oregon Promise

The area and the location of it. I also had some college credit classes that I took that I am able to use at MHCC.

The Ford Asset program is very fitting for me.

the track and field program

They are close by to home and work

This community college is close to home so I don't have to worry about moving all of my stuff to a place I'm not familiar with. I don't have to figure out a way to make rent when I can still live at home or have to leave my family or hometown.

Very close to home and i have siblings that enjoy going there. Ive heard its a very nice campus as well

Sandy	What was it about Portland Community College that made you chose it over the other two?
Portland	For the programs and recommendation I've heard from people.
	If i have a 3.0 I can have all four years free if I got a scholorship
	it looks like if has a better facility, and maybe it has programs that I will be interested in
	Location location
	They are close by to home and work

After reviewing the list of Private Trade/Technical Institutions, seniors were asked to identify institution they were attending was not on the list. Results are available in Table AD8.

Table AD8: Other Private / Technical Colleges Seniors Will Attend

High School	Other Private / TechnicalColleges Not In the List
Sandy	OIT

In the Race / Ethnicity Questions, seniors were provided an opportunity to identify an "Other" category. When the clicked on this category, they were asked to specify their other race / ethnicity. Results are provided in Table AD9.

Table AD9: Other Race/Ethnicities Identified

High School	Other Ethnicity
	African American/ caucasian
	don't worry about it
	Mutt
	Very white