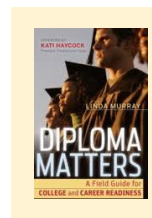


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### College Going Culture Surveys – Counselors

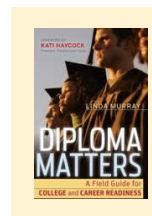
Please rate your agreement with the following statements. Space is provided at the end of the survey for any specific comments, concerns, etc., you would like to provide in addition.

I believe that all the students at our school are capable of going to college after high school	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department shares the belief that all students can go to college	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department is focused upon all students attending college after graduation	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department has effective “early warning” system(s) to identify struggling students	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department provides professional development for teachers about the college application process	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department has instruments in place to help all students plan for college	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department collaborates with teachers to make in-class presentations about college preparation	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department has established relationships with local colleges/universities, to help facilitate campus visits and tours, information sessions, and other services for our students	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A



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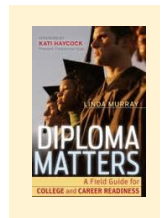


I believe that our school promotes a culture of success for all students, regardless of their background	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
I believe that our students are being adequately prepared in their courses for the academic challenges of high school	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department works to ensure a positive and productive relationship with parents, to achieve success for all students	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department holds regular informational sessions for students and parents about the college application process (including college prep courses, and financial aid)	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
The curriculum at our school is rigorous and is preparing all students for college success	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
The students at our school are well-informed about college requirements, the application process, and financial aid	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department has a curriculum with grade-level college preparation activities	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A
Our counseling department works to ensure all students take the PSAT, ACT/SAT, obtaining waiver for needy students and providing test preparation strategies/resources	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	N/A



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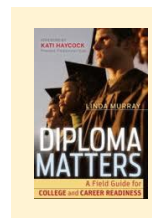


Our counseling department has an efficient system for monitoring seniors' application progress	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Our students plan to take or have already taken the PSAT, SAT/ACT	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
I meet with all the students on my caseload regularly, keeping track of their college prep progress	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Our students believe that they can be successful in college	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>



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### College Going Culture Survey – Parents/Guardians

#### Student Information

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Enrollment in Special Program (ex: Special Ed, English Language Learner, AVID, GATE, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

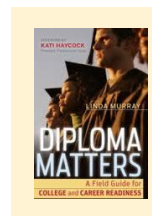
Please rate your agreement with the following statements. Space is provided at the end of the survey for any specific comments, concerns, etc., you would like to provide in addition.

My student is planning to attend college after graduation	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
I believe my student will be successful in college	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
My student will be ready for college by the time she/he graduates	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
I have been involved with my student's college search and application process	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Before my student entered high school, I was not very well-informed about college	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
My student's counselor is well-informed about college requirements, the application process, and financial aid	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
I am well-informed about college requirements, the application process, and financial aid	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
My student's counselor has helped me to become more involved in the college search and application process	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The staff at my student's school is supportive in his/her effort to apply to college	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
At my student's school, all students can enroll in AP and Honors classes if they choose	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>



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The courses that my student is taking are preparing her/him for college-level work	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
My student has taken or will take the PSAT, SAT/ACT	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The counselors at my student's school give me and my student information about the college application process	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
I feel that there is at least one staff member at my student's school who is available to help her/him with college applications	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
I know at least one staff member at my student's school who wants to see her/him go to college and be successful	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The entire staff at my student's school are dedicated to making sure that ALL students go to college	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
My student's school gives my student the opportunity to research colleges online, visit college campuses, and/or speak with college representatives about admission	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
My student's peers have the same opportunities that she/he does, to explore colleges and understand the application process	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>
The staff at my student's school helps all parents understand the college search and application process, providing information in other languages	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>N/A</b>



