

High School Experience Survey



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Welcome to the High School Experience Survey. This survey is funded by the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) at the U.S. Department of Education and is being conducted by the American Institutes for Research® (AIR®) and NORC at the University of Chicago (NORC), two independent research organizations. The purpose of this survey is to understand how individuals' high school experiences may affect their education, employment, and life experiences after high school.

You are being asked to participate in this survey because between 2005 and 2013 you attended a high school that is included in our study. The survey will take approximately 20-30 minutes to complete. **Your \$50 Amazon gift card will be sent to you via the option you select below within 4-6 weeks of returning your completed survey.**

Confidentiality. This survey is confidential. We will not share your individual responses with anyone outside the study team, and no individuals will be identified in our reports.

Voluntary. This survey is voluntary. If you do not want to answer a question, you may skip it. If you participate, you are required to respond to one question about the high school you attended, two questions about your college enrollment, and two questions about your employment status so that we can better understand your responses to the relevant follow-up questions.

Benefits. Your participation in this survey will help us learn more about how individuals' experiences during high school may affect their experiences after high school. The findings from the study will help us understand any potential long-term benefits from opportunities to earn college credits during high school.

Risks. There are no risks associated with participating in the study beyond those encountered in everyday life. We will protect your identifying information by storing it in a secure computer environment that is password protected, encrypted, and only accessible to select members of the research team at AIR and NORC.

Future Use of Information. If you complete the survey, we will remove any personally identifying information from your responses so that de-identified information from this study can be used for future research. With your permission, we may also use your contact information, if provided, to follow up with you regarding the study.

Questions. If you have questions or concerns or would like to get more information about this study, please contact Dr. Kristina Zeiser at AIR at kzeiser@air.org. If you have concerns or questions about your rights as a participant in this study, please contact AIR's Institutional Review Board at IRBChair@air.org, toll free at 800-634-0797, or c/o IRB, 1400 Crystal Drive, 10th Floor, Arlington, VA 22202.

By mailing back this survey in the provided postage-paid envelope, you give us permission to use your responses in our study.

Please update your name and contact information below and answer the questions in this booklet.

First name	Middle	Last Name	Suffix (e.g., Jr)
Maiden or Other Name			
Address line 1			
Address line 2			
City	State	Country	ZIP Code
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Cell Phone	Home Phone	Work Phone	

Please check to receive text messages about the study. The cell phone number you provided will only be used to contact you for this study and for no other purposes. By providing this number, you authorize NORC or AIR to text you. Standard messaging and data rates may apply. You can reply STOP to opt out of receiving future texts at any time.

To thank you for your time, we will send you a \$50 Amazon gift card.

Please indicate how you would like to receive your thank you gift: Email Mail

Instructions for Completing the Survey

Please answer the questions in this survey using a pen with *blue* or *black* ink.

This survey is divided into four main sections:

- **Section 1** asks general information about you.
- **Section 2** asks about your educational experiences after high school.
- **Section 3** asks about your current and past employment.
- **Section 4** asks about your life experiences outside of education and employment.

This survey contains several types of questions and instructions. Below you will find some examples of what to expect throughout the survey.

1. For some questions, you answer the question by marking a box like this:

¹ Yes

² No

2. You are sometimes told to skip over questions in this survey. When this happens, you will see an arrow with a note that tells you what question to answer next, like this:

¹ Yes → **Go to Question 4**

² No

3. There are some questions where your response is required. These will have the heading "**Response Required**" and will look like the example below:

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RESPONSE REQUIRED

What did you do in the first 12 months after high school?

4. Some questions have multiple response options and have instructions on how to answer these questions such as "**Mark ONE only.**" or "**Mark all that apply.**"

5. Some questions may have more than one instruction depending on your selections. In the example below, you can either "**Mark all that apply.**" or "**Cannot be combined with above responses.**"

At any point after high school, did you ever enroll in any of the following schools?

Mark all that apply.

¹ I enrolled in a 2-year college → **Go to question 11**

² I enrolled in a vocational, technical, or trade school → **Go to question 11**

³ I enrolled in a 4-year college or university → **Go to question 11**

⁴ I did not enroll in college or a vocational school **Cannot be combined with above responses.**

SECTION 1. ABOUT YOU

1 In which year did you begin ninth grade? *Mark ONE only.*

- 2003
- 2004
- 2005
- 2006
- 2007
- 2008
- 2009
- Other

2 **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

When you began the ninth grade, which high school did you attend? Please write the name of your high school and the city and state in which it is located.

School Name:

City Name:

State:

3 In which year did you graduate from high school or earn your high school equivalency by passing a required test (e.g., General Education Development Exam [GED], High School Equivalency Test [HiSET], or Test Assessing Secondary Completion Exam [TASC])? *Mark ONE only.*

- I did not graduate from high school or earn a high school equivalency. → **Go to Question 5**
- 2007
- 2008
- 2009
- 2010
- 2011
- 2012
- 2013
- Other

4 What high school did you graduate from? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 The same high school I attended when I began ninth grade (**Response from question 2**).
- 2 A different high school than the one I attended when I began ninth grade.
- 3 I earned a high school equivalency outside of a high school.

5 What is the highest level of education attained by one or both of your parents/guardians? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 Did not attend high school
- 2 Started but did not complete high school
- 3 Completed high school degree or equivalency (e.g., GED, HiSET, or TASC)
- 4 Started but did not complete an associate degree or certificate
- 5 Completed an associate degree or certificate
- 6 Started but did not complete a bachelor's degree
- 7 Completed a bachelor's degree
- 8 Started but did not complete a graduate degree (master's, doctorate, or professional degree)
- 9 Completed a graduate degree
- 77 Don't know

SECTION 2. POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

College Attendance

- 6** During high school, did you pass any Advanced Placement (AP) exams (score of 3 or higher) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams (score of 4 or higher), or pass any college classes that could count toward a college degree?

1 No → **Go to Question 8**

2 Yes

- 7** How many college classes or AP/IB exams did you pass during high school that could count toward a college degree?

Mark **ONE** only.

1

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3

4

5

6 6-10

7 11-15

8 16-20

9 More than 20

8 RESPONSE REQUIRED

What did you do in the first 12 months after high school? Mark **all that apply**.

1 I enrolled in a 4-year college. → **Go to Question 11**

2 I enrolled in a 2-year college. → **Go to Question 11**

3 I enrolled at a vocational, technical, or trade school.

→ **Go to Question 11**

4 I worked full- or part time.

5 I joined the military.

6 I participated in a work training or apprenticeship program (not in a trade school or at a 2-year college).

7 I participated in service, mission, or volunteer work (e.g., lending a hand at a charitable organization or joining AmeriCorps).

8 Other (please explain):

9 RESPONSE REQUIRED

At any point after high school, did you ever enroll in any of the following schools? Mark **all that apply**.

1 I enrolled in a 2-year college → **Go to Question 11**

2 I enrolled in a vocational, technical, or trade school → **Go to Question 11**

3 I enrolled in a 4-year college or university → **Go to Question 11**

4 I did not enroll in college or a vocational school. **Cannot be combined with above responses.**

→ **Go to Question 10**

- 10** Which of the following are reasons why you decided not to continue your education after high school? Mark **all that apply**.

→ **Go to Page 9, Question 34 Next**

1 I didn't like school.

2 My grades, SAT scores, or ACT scores weren't high enough.

3 I didn't need more education for the career I wanted.

4 I didn't know what major or career I wanted to pursue.

5 I didn't feel that going to college is important.

6 I felt that the cost of college was greater than the benefit.

7 I preferred to work and make money rather than go to school.

8 I wanted or needed to help support my family.

9 I couldn't afford to go to college.

10 My counselor or teachers recommended I work rather than continue my education.

11 Other

During Your First Year of College After High School

In this section, we would like to ask about your experiences in college and/or other education or training after high school. If you took college courses both during and after high school, please respond to these questions based on your college experiences *after* high school.

→ **Go to Question 12 if you did not earn credits in high school that could count toward a college degree**

11 Of the credits you earned from the AP/IB exams and college classes you reported passing during high school that could count toward a college degree, how many transferred to count toward your college, university, vocational-technical school, or trade school degree or certificate requirements? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 All of these credits
- 2 More than half of these credits
- 3 About half of these credits
- 4 Less than half of these credits
- 5 None of these credits
- 77 I don't know.

12 During your first year of college or other education or training after high school, were you ever enrolled in a "remedial" or "developmental" course (i.e., a non-credit course offered by the college that prepares students for college-level courses)?

- 1 No
- 2 Yes
- 77 I don't know.

13 During your first year of college or other education or training after high school, did you receive a failing grade in any course or receive a grade in a course that would have required you to repeat it in the future?

- 1 No
- 2 Yes

13b. Please use the space below to provide more information about the ways in which your high school prepared you for college or other education or training, or ways in which your high school could have better prepared you.

Associate Degree and Certificates

In this section, we would like to ask about any associate degree or certificate you may have earned either during or after high school.

14 Have you earned an associate degree?

- 1 No → **Go to Question 16**
- 2 Yes

15 In which year and term/semester did you graduate from the associate degree program? If you have more than one, please indicate the year and term of your first associate degree.

Year: (YYYY)
(Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

Term: **Mark ONE only.**

- 1 Fall
- 2 Winter
- 3 Spring
- 4 Summer

16 Have you earned a vocational certificate (e.g., a certificate in cosmetology, auto repair, or plumbing)?

- 1 No → **Go to Question 18 if you ever enrolled in a college or vocational school after high school**
→ **Go to Question 34 if you never enrolled in a college or vocational school after high school**
- 2 Yes

17 In which year and term/semester did you receive your certificate? If you have more than one, please indicate the year and term of your first certificate.

Year: (YYYY)
(Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

Term: **Mark ONE only.**

- 1 Fall
- 2 Winter
- 3 Spring
- 4 Summer

→ **Go to Question 34 if you never enrolled in a college or vocational school after high school**

Four-Year Bachelor's Degree

In this section, we would like to ask about any bachelor's degree you may have earned.

18 Have you earned a bachelor's degree?

- ¹ No → **Go to Question 29**
² Yes

19 In which year and term/semester did you graduate from the bachelor's degree program? If you have completed more than one, please indicate the year and term of your first bachelor's degree.

Year: (YYYY)

(Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

Term: **Mark ONE only.**

- ¹ Fall
² Winter
³ Spring
⁴ Summer

Graduate Education

In this section, we would like to ask about any graduate degree you may have earned.

20 Have you ever attended a master's program (including a master's program associated with your undergraduate program or a master's program that is part of a doctoral program)?

- ¹ No → **Go to Question 24**
² Yes

21 In which year and term/semester did you begin attending the (first) master's program?

Year: (YYYY)

(Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

Term: **Mark ONE only.**

- ¹ Fall
² Winter
³ Spring
⁴ Summer

22 Have you earned a master's degree?

- ¹ No → **Go to Question 24**
² Yes

23 In which year and term/semester did you complete your master's degree? If you have more than one, please indicate the year and term of your first master's degree.

Year: (YYYY)

(Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

Term: **Mark ONE only.**

- ¹ Fall
² Winter
³ Spring
⁴ Summer

24 Have you ever attended a doctoral program to earn an academic doctorate (e.g., a PhD or EdD) or a professional doctorate (e.g., a doctoral degree in chiropractic, dentistry, law, medicine, optometry, pharmacy, podiatry, veterinary medicine, or other professional fields)?

- ¹ No → **Go to Question 29**
² Yes

25 Which type of doctoral program did you attend? **Mark all that apply.**

- Program offering an academic doctorate (e.g., a PhD or EdD)
 Program offering a professional doctorate (e.g., a doctoral degree in chiropractic, dentistry, law, medicine, optometry, pharmacy, podiatry, veterinary medicine, or other professional fields)

26 In which year and term/semester did you begin attending the (first) doctoral program?

Year: (YYYY)

(Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

Term: **Mark ONE only.**

- ¹ Fall
² Winter
³ Spring
⁴ Summer

27 Have you earned an academic or professional doctoral degree?

- 1 No → **Go to Question 29**
 2 Yes

28 In which year and term/semester did you complete your doctoral degree? If you have more than one, please indicate the year and term of your first doctoral degree.

Year: (YYYY)

(Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

Term: **Mark ONE only.**

- 1 Fall
 2 Winter
 3 Spring
 4 Summer

29 Are you currently enrolled in a postsecondary/continuing education program?

- 1 No → **Go to Question 31**
 2 Yes

30 In which postsecondary/continuing education program are you currently enrolled? **Mark all that apply.**

- 1 A training class that does not offer a certificate or degree
 2 A program leading to a postsecondary certificate, diploma, or license (program usually shorter than 2 years)
 3 Work-related training/credential
 4 Education/training as part of a registered apprenticeship program
 5 An associate degree program
 6 A bachelor's degree program
 7 A postbaccalaureate certificate program
 8 A master's degree program
 9 A post-master's certificate program
 10 An academic doctoral degree program
 11 A professional doctoral degree program
 12 Other

Paying for Higher Education

In this section, we would like to ask about how you paid for your higher education studies.

31 How did you pay for your undergraduate studies? Indicate the percentage paid of your undergraduate expenses (including tuition, fees, room, board, and living expenses) for each of the following funding sources. *Note: If you attended more than one undergraduate program (including 2-year and 4-year programs as well as vocational, technical, or trade schools) answer for the total costs for all undergraduate programs attended.*

Funding Source	Indicate the percentage for each source used. Write "0" for those not used. Please ensure the sum equals 100%
1. My parents, guardians, or other family members paid (from their savings, a loan, or a college savings plan).	%
2. I paid from personal savings or money earned from working.	%
3. I took out a loan(s) in my name.	%
4. I received a Pell Grant.	%
5. I received a scholarship, fellowship, or institutional aid.	%
6. Other: (Please Specify) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	%
Total	%

→ **Go to Question 33 if you never attended a master's, doctorate or professional program**

32 How did you pay for your graduate studies? Indicate the percentage paid of your graduate expenses (including tuition, fees, room, board, and living expenses) for each of the following funding sources. *Note: If you attended more than one graduate program (including master's, doctorate, and professional programs) answer for the total costs for all graduate programs attended.*

Funding Source	Indicate the percentage for each source used. Write "0" for those not used. Please ensure the sum equals 100%
1. My parents, guardians, or other family members paid (from their savings, a loan, or a college savings plan).	%
2. My employer paid.	%
3. I paid from personal savings or money earned from working.	%
4. I took out a loan(s) in my name.	%
5. I received a scholarship, fellowship, or institutional aid.	%
6. Other: (Please Specify) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	%
Total	%

33 How much do you currently owe, in total, on student loan debt accumulated from college and/or graduate school? **Mark ONE only.**

- 1 \$0
- 2 \$1–\$9,999
- 3 \$10,000–\$19,999
- 4 \$20,000–\$29,999
- 5 \$30,000–\$39,999
- 6 \$40,000–\$49,999
- 7 \$50,000–\$59,999
- 8 \$60,000–\$69,999
- 9 \$70,000–\$79,999
- 10 \$80,000–\$89,999
- 11 \$90,000–\$99,999
- 12 \$100,000 or more

SECTION 3. WORKFORCE OUTCOMES

Current Employment

In this section, we would like to ask about your recent employment history.

34 What is your current employment or working status? (Employment includes any paid work or owning your own business.)
Mark ONE only.

- ¹ I am currently employed.
² I am not currently working for pay, but I am seeking work → **Go to Question 38**
³ I am not currently working for pay and I am not seeking work → **Go to Question 38**

If Currently Employed

35 How many paid jobs do you currently have? [Note: Count each owned business as a distinct "paid job."] *Mark ONE only.*

- ¹ One
² Two
³ Three or more

36 **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

Over the past month, during a typical week, how many hours did you work? (If you have more than one job, add up the hours you usually work each week across all your jobs.) (Please provide a response between 0-168 hours.)

Hours per week

37 On average, how much total income do you earn at your current job(s) (including any tips)?

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Mark ONE only.

- ¹ Per week
² Per month
³ Per year

↓ **Go to Question 40**

40 What was the total annual income that you earned from all jobs and business ventures in 2021 (before deductions for taxes, bonds, dues, or other items)? Respond only for yourself and not for the combined income with a spouse. If unsure, please provide your best estimate. (Please provide a response between 0-999,999,999.)

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If Not Currently Employed

38 **RESPONSE REQUIRED**

What was the last month and year in which you were employed?

Month

Year: (Please provide a year between 2005-present.)

¹ I have never been employed → **Go to Page 11, Question 47**

39 In the last month in which you were employed, on average, how much total income did you earn at your job(s) (including any tips)?

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Mark ONE only.

- ¹ Per week
² Per month
³ Per year

If employed in 2021, Go to Question 40.
If not employed in 2021, Go to Question 41.

Job Satisfaction

For the following questions, please respond based on your current job or the job you held most recently. If you have/had more than one job, please respond about the job for which you worked the most hours.

→ **Go to Question 47 if you have never been employed**

41 How satisfied are/were you with each of the following aspects of your current or most recent job? *Mark ONE for each row.*

	1 Very dissatisfied	2 Somewhat dissatisfied	3 Somewhat satisfied	4 Very satisfied
1. Level of job security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Income I earn/earned	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Benefits I receive/received (e.g., medical insurance and retirement)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Vacation time or paid time off (PTO)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Promotion opportunities I have/had	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Flexibility of my work schedule	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Flexibility of where I work/worked (e.g., opportunities to work remotely)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

42 How well does/did your current or most recent job align with your long-term career goals? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 It aligns/aligned well with my long-term career goals.
 2 It partially aligns/aligned with my long-term career goals.
 3 It is/was not related to my long-term career goals.
 4 I have not established long-term career goals yet.

43 How much do you agree with the following statements about your current or most recent job? *Mark ONE for each row.*

	1 Strongly disagree	2 Disagree	3 Agree	4 Strongly agree
1. I find the work that I do/did full of meaning and purpose.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. I am/was proud of the work that I do/did.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. I am/was enthusiastic about my job.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. My job inspires/inspired me.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. To me, my job offers/offered the right degree of challenge.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

43b. Please use the space below if there is more information about this job or your work history that you would like us to know.

Effect of and Response to the Global Pandemic

44 Since March 2020, have you experienced a period of continuous unemployment that lasted 3 or more months?

- 1 No
- 2 Yes

45 How was your employment affected by the COVID-19 pandemic? *Mark all that apply.*

- 1 Experienced a reduction in work hours
- 2 Had to take unpaid leave
- 3 Took paid leave
- 4 Lost job (laid off or employer went out of business)
→ **Go to Question 46**
- 5 Quit job (voluntary separation) → **Go to Question 46**
- 6 Became a remote employee
- 7 Employment unaffected
- 8 I was unemployed at the start of the pandemic (March 2020)

→ **All Responses go to Question 47 unless specified**

46 If you quit or lost your job during the pandemic, what did you do after leaving that job? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 I found a new job
 - 2 I looked for a new job but did not find one
 - 3 I did not look for a new job
- **All Responses go to Question 47**

47 Did you do any of the following as a result of the pandemic? *Mark all that apply.*

- 1 Changed long-term career goals
- 2 Actively looked for a new job
- 3 Changed jobs in the same field/industry
- 4 Changed jobs and entered a new field/industry
- 5 Went back to school or enrolled in a training program
- 6 I did none of the above. **Cannot be combined with above responses.**

48 In the past 12 months, how often have you worried about having enough money to cover your regular expenses (e.g., food, transportation, and housing)? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 More than once a week
- 2 Once a week
- 3 Once a month
- 4 Once every few months
- 5 Never

SECTION 4. EXPERIENCES OUTSIDE OF EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

Personal Finances

49 Please indicate whether you have the following benefits and how they are provided: For each row, mark all that apply.

	1 Provided by my employer	2 Provided by my spouse's or partner's employer	3 I personally purchase or manage (it is not provided by an employer)	4 I do not have
1. Health insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Dental insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Vision insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. A retirement plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Life insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Paid parental leave	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Long-term medical or disability leave	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>

50 Over the past 3 years, to what extent have you utilized the following benefit (programs): Mark ONE for each row.

	1 Never	2 Less than 12 months	3 Between 12 and 24 months	4 For more than 24 months
1. Unemployment Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SNAP (food stamps or food assistance) or WIC benefits (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Medicaid	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Public housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) cash assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

50b. Please use the space below if there is more information that you would like us to know about your experiences after high school and the ways that your high school either prepared you or could have better prepared you for life after high school.

Personal Life

51 Are you married or in a civil union?

- 1 No
2 Yes

52 How many children do you have (including biological and adopted children and stepchildren)? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 None
2 One
3 Two
4 Three
5 Four or more

53 Which of the following describes your current living situation? *Mark all that apply.*

- 1 I am living with a spouse or a partner.
2 I am living with a housemate or housemates (other than a spouse or partner).
3 I am living with my child or children (including biological and adopted children and stepchildren).
4 I am living with one or both of my parents, a guardian, or another relative other than a spouse (e.g., grandparent, aunt, or uncle).
5 I am the only one living in my home.
6 Other

54 Which of the following describes your current housing arrangement? *Mark ONE only.*

- 1 I own the house or apartment/condominium I live in.
2 I rent the house or apartment/condominium I live in.
3 I live rent-free in a house or apartment/condominium owned by a family member.
4 I live rent-free in a house or apartment/condominium owned by someone who is not a family member.
5 Other

55 Do you feel happy in general? Please rate your general state of happiness, with 0 being the minimum and 10 being the maximum.

(Please provide a response between 0-10.)

56 Thank you again for your participation. In case we have difficulty contacting you, can you provide the name and contact information of someone who will be able to reach you?

- Yes, I wish to provide new information at this time about someone who may help you reach me in the future.
→ **Go to Question 57**
- No, I do not wish to provide new information at this time about someone who may help you reach me in the future.
→ **End of Survey**

57 Please provide the name and current contact information for someone who will be able to reach you below.

What is your relationship to this person?

First name Middle

Last Name

Primary Email Secondary Email

Cell Phone Alternate Phone

Address line 1

Address line 2

City State Country ZIP Code

THANK YOU!

Thank you very much for taking our survey! The information you have provided will help us understand how high schools can better prepare students for college and careers. You should receive your Amazon.com gift card code within 4-6 weeks via the option you indicated at the start of the survey.

If you do not receive your gift card code within 6 weeks, please contact NORC at HSExperience-Study@norc.org or 1-877-259-4308.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the High School Experience study about?

This study intends to understand how individuals' high school experiences may affect their education, employment, and life experiences since high school. It includes participants who attended a high school between 2005 and 2013 that is included in the study.

Who is conducting this study?

This study is being conducted by the American Institutes for Research® (AIR®) and NORC at the University of Chicago (NORC), two independent research organizations. You can learn more about both organizations here: www.air.org and www.norc.org.

Who is funding this research?

This study is funded by a grant from the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) at the U.S. Department of Education. You can learn more about the IES here: <https://ies.ed.gov/>

Why are you reaching out after so many years?

We want to better understand long-term education, work, and life experiences of students since high school. The people selected for the study are among a unique group of people who can provide insight on how individuals' high school experiences may affect their education, employment, and life experiences in young adulthood.

How did you get my information —I'm unlisted?

Contact information was collected from high school applications when the person selected for this study applied to attend an early college high school between 2005 and 2007. Additionally, large survey research projects use multiple methods for locating individuals for whom we have varying amounts of contact information. In some cases, we utilize online search engines (such as Google). In other cases, we use a reputable locating service.

What will you do with this information?

This follow-up survey will allow researchers to understand how high school experiences may affect education, workforce outcomes, and other financial outcomes in early adulthood.

How long will this take to complete?

The survey will take 20-30 minutes to complete, and those that complete the survey will be mailed or emailed a \$50 Amazon gift card depending on the option indicated at the start of the survey.

Why and how was it decided who will be asked to be part of the study?

Individuals were selected because they applied to an early college high school between 2005 and 2007. Individuals were selected to participate in the study regardless of whether they attended an early college high school.

I don't want to do this; do I have to participate?

No, you don't. This study is voluntary. However, participation matters and makes the study results more complete and accurate. We hope that people selected for the study will choose to participate. If they complete the survey in fall of 2022, they will receive a \$50 gift card code.