

2020 Senior Survey Results

Response Counts

Completion Rate:

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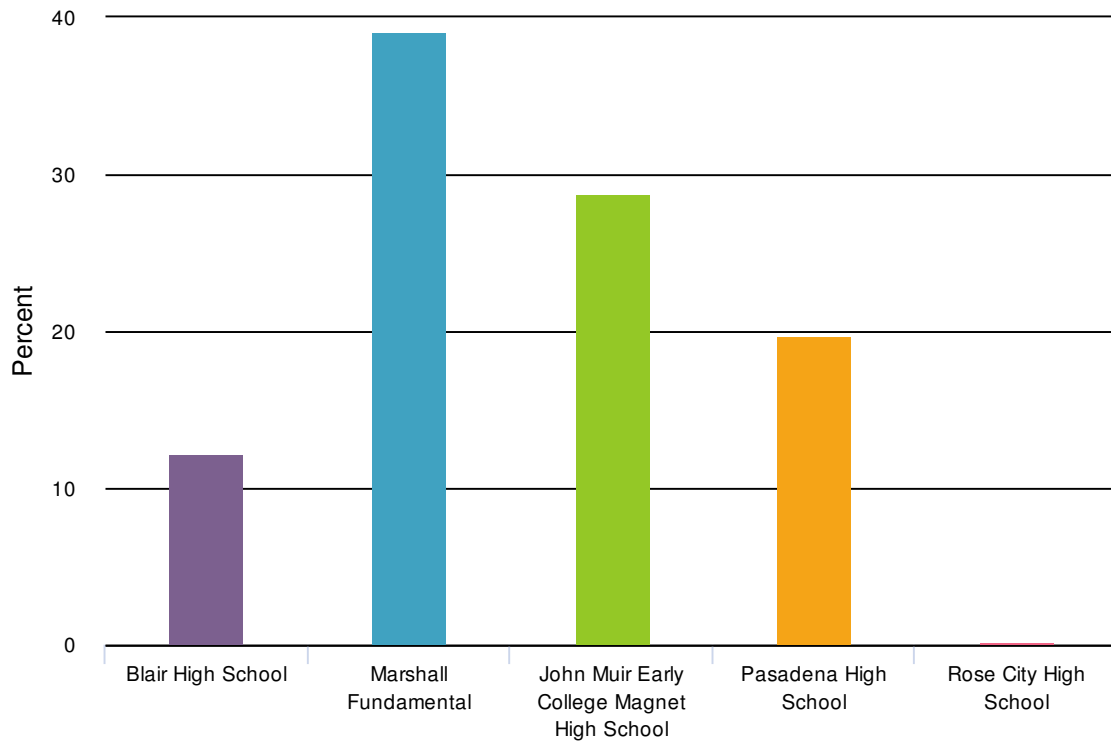
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1. Which Pasadena Unified high school are you currently attending?



Value		Percent	Responses
Blair High School		12.2%	51
Marshall Fundamental		39.1%	163
John Muir Early College Magnet High School		28.8%	120
Pasadena High School		19.7%	82
Rose City High School		0.2%	1

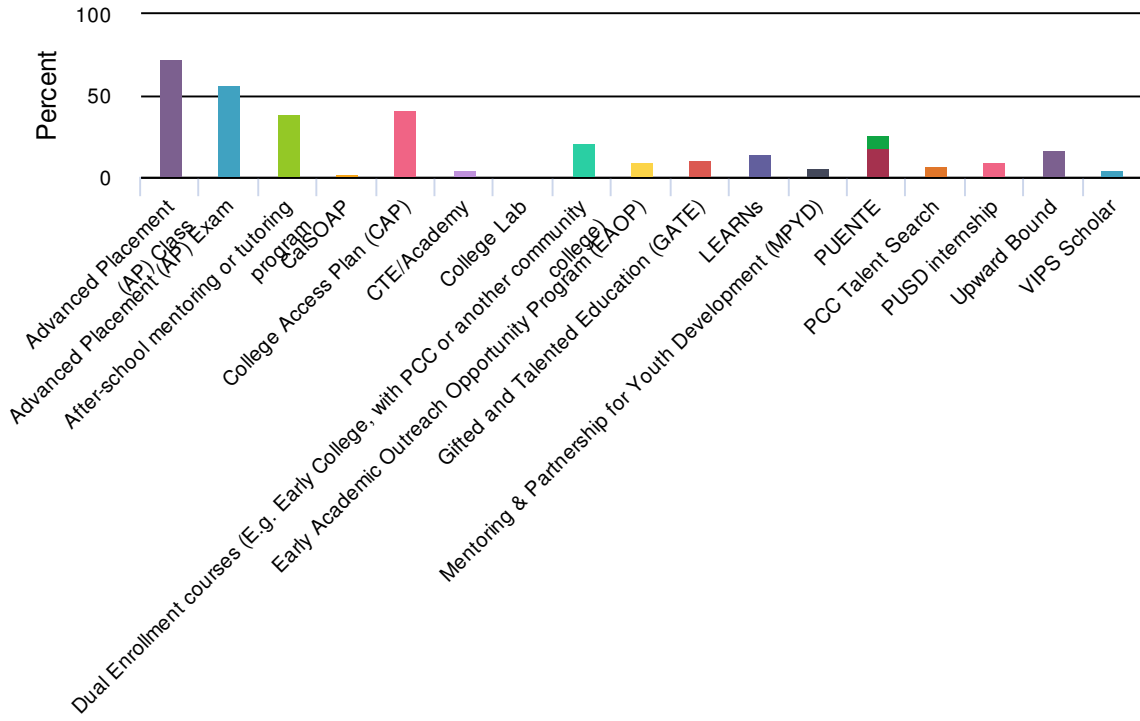
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





2. Reflecting back on your high school experience, please rate your agreement with each of these statements.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
The overall atmosphere at my school was positive and motivated me to learn. Count Row %	99 24.0%	194 47.0%	98 23.7%	14 3.4%	7 1.7%	1 0.2%	413
Most of my teachers made learning relevant and interesting to me. Count Row %	106 25.6%	176 42.5%	106 25.6%	23 5.6%	3 0.7%	0 0.0%	414
Most of my teachers regularly explained or demonstrated how what I learned in class can be applied outside of the classroom. Count Row %	82 19.8%	149 35.9%	130 31.3%	30 7.2%	20 4.8%	4 1.0%	415
I worked on projects collaboratively with other students. Count Row %	137 33.0%	201 48.4%	57 13.7%	15 3.6%	5 1.2%	0 0.0%	415

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
I worked on projects that involved more than one of my classes. Count Row %	109 26.4%	170 41.2%	69 16.7%	29 7.0%	27 6.5%	9 2.2%	413
Having a Chromebook to take home helped me continue learning outside of the classroom. Count Row %	222 53.5%	117 28.2%	53 12.8%	13 3.1%	5 1.2%	5 1.2%	415
Having a Chromebook to take home provided me with increased opportunities to guide my own learning based on my interests. Count Row %	167 40.2%	139 33.5%	74 17.8%	21 5.1%	8 1.9%	6 1.4%	415
I participated in learning activities or projects that allowed me to use technology in real-world applications. Count Row %	112 27.1%	168 40.7%	92 22.3%	26 6.3%	14 3.4%	1 0.2%	413
Totals Total Responses							415

3. Please select all of the programs or activities below that you participated in during high school.



Value		Percent	Responses
Advanced Placement (AP) Class		72.3%	269
Advanced Placement (AP) Exam		57.3%	213
After-school mentoring or tutoring program		39.2%	146
CaISOAP		2.7%	10
College Access Plan (CAP)		42.2%	157
CTE/Academy		4.3%	16
College Lab		1.3%	5
Dual Enrollment courses (E.g. Early College, with PCC or another community college)		21.5%	80
Early Academic Outreach Opportunity Program (EAOP)		9.7%	36
Gifted and Talented Education (GATE)		11.3%	42
LEARNs		14.0%	52
Mentoring & Partnership for Youth Development (MPYD)		6.2%	23
PUENTE		26.3%	98
PCC Talent Search		6.7%	25
PUENTE		18.3%	68
PUSD internship		9.7%	36
Upward Bound		17.2%	64
VIPS Scholar		4.6%	17

4. Please rate your level of agreement about the following statements about your senior defense experience:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
It helped strengthen my skills as a researcher. Count Row %	106 25.7%	161 39.1%	83 20.1%	28 6.8%	20 4.9%	14 3.4%	412
It helped strengthen my skills as a writer. Count Row %	106 25.8%	149 36.3%	94 22.9%	29 7.1%	21 5.1%	12 2.9%	411
It helped strengthen my skills as a presenter. Count Row %	109 26.5%	182 44.2%	82 19.9%	21 5.1%	7 1.7%	11 2.7%	412
It helped strengthen my skills as a proactive or self-guided learner. Count Row %	99 24.0%	165 40.0%	93 22.6%	31 7.5%	11 2.7%	13 3.2%	412
It helped strengthen my skills as a collaborator. Count Row %	92 22.4%	157 38.2%	86 20.9%	37 9.0%	20 4.9%	19 4.6%	411
It helped strengthen my ability to reflect on my own learning. Count Row %	117 28.5%	186 45.3%	77 18.7%	13 3.2%	10 2.4%	8 1.9%	411

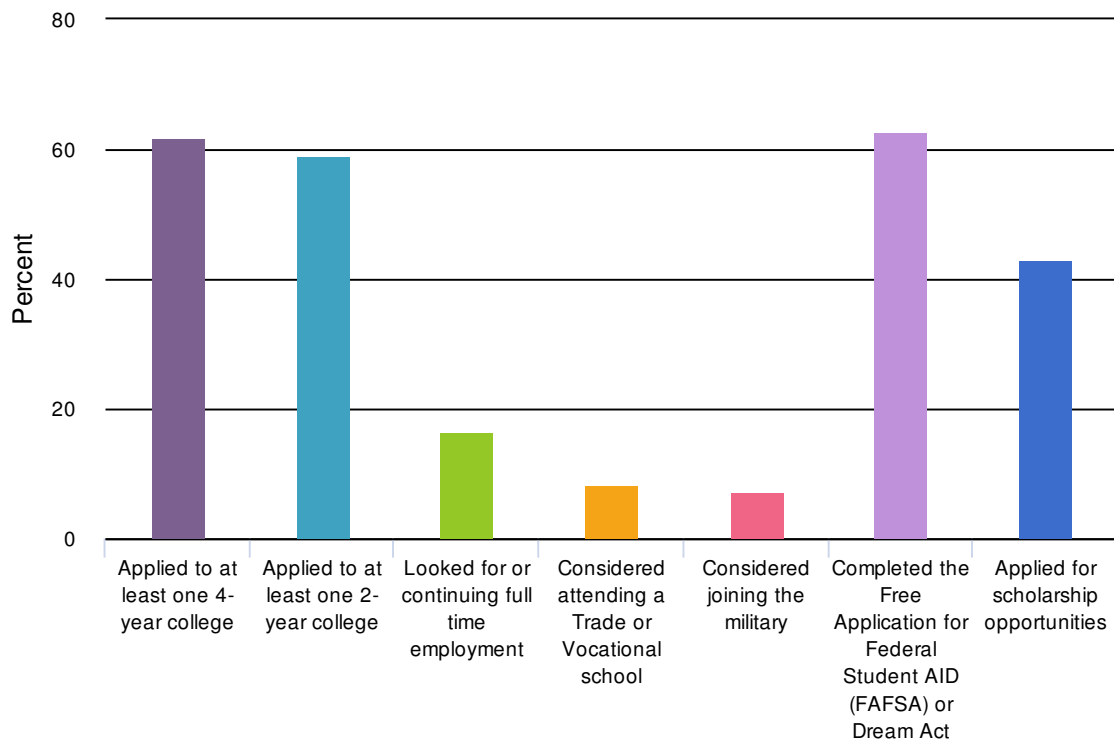
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
Overall, it was a valuable learning experience. Count Row %	127 30.9%	145 35.3%	80 19.5%	27 6.6%	16 3.9%	16 3.9%	411
Totals Total Responses							412

5. Please select your level of agreement with the following statements about your high school experience in preparation for college.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
My school helped me identify colleges that are a good fit for me. Count Row %	85 20.5%	136 32.9%	110 26.6%	40 9.7%	30 7.2%	13 3.1%	414
My school supported me in applying to college. Count Row %	131 31.7%	168 40.7%	75 18.2%	16 3.9%	17 4.1%	6 1.5%	413
My school supported my family in completing the FAFSA/Dream Act to receive financial aid. Count Row %	128 31.4%	150 36.9%	64 15.7%	26 6.4%	22 5.4%	17 4.2%	407
My school supported me to take the SAT/ACT. Count Row %	127 31.2%	165 40.5%	76 18.7%	20 4.9%	12 2.9%	7 1.7%	407
My school helped me to prepare for the SAT/ACT. Count Row %	89 21.8%	145 35.5%	99 24.2%	39 9.5%	24 5.9%	13 3.2%	409

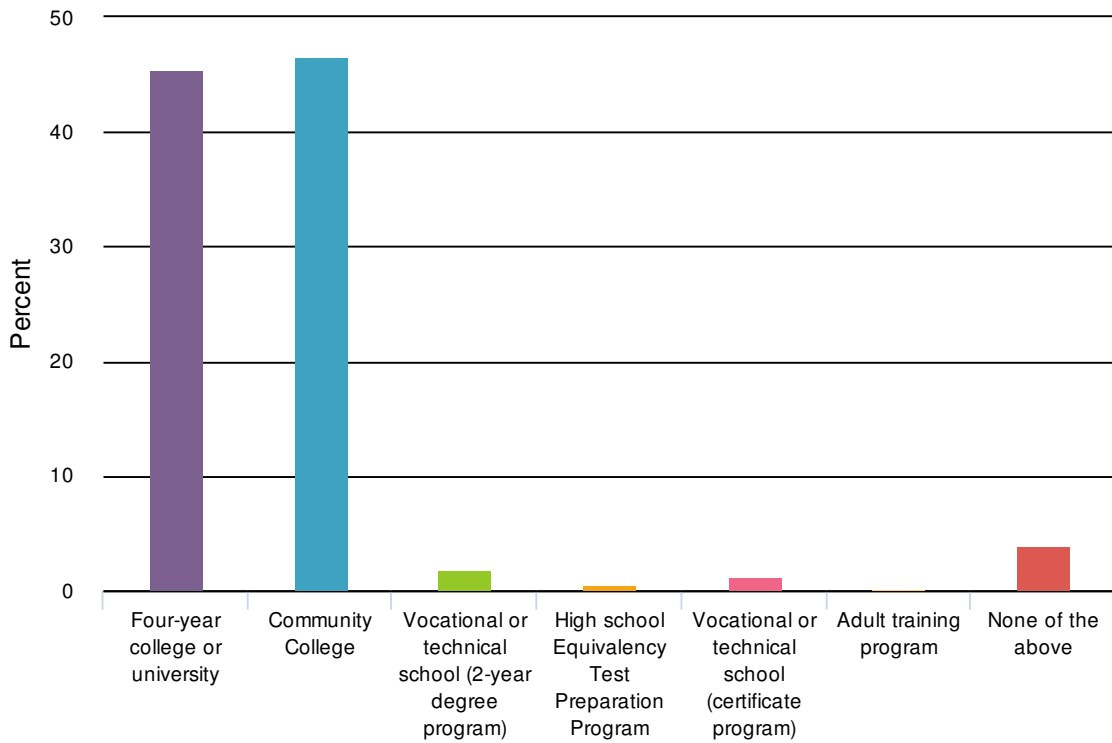
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
Students at this school see college as part of their future. Count Row %	140 33.9%	184 44.6%	68 16.5%	13 3.1%	7 1.7%	1 0.2%	413
My teachers expect me to attend college. Count Row %	170 41.2%	175 42.4%	53 12.8%	9 2.2%	6 1.5%	0 0.0%	413
My school helped me see college as part of my future. Count Row %	172 41.4%	160 38.6%	57 13.7%	13 3.1%	9 2.2%	4 1.0%	415
Totals Total Responses							415

6. Which of these have you done in preparation for life after high school?



Value	Percent	Responses
Applied to at least one 4-year college	61.7%	253
Applied to at least one 2-year college	59.0%	242
Looked for or continuing full time employment	16.3%	67
Considered attending a Trade or Vocational school	8.3%	34
Considered joining the military	7.3%	30
Completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Dream Act	62.7%	257
Applied for scholarship opportunities	42.9%	176

7. Are you planning to enroll in one of the following educational or training programs next year? Please check the answer that applies best.



Value	Percent	Responses
Four-year college or university	45.5%	187
Community College	46.7%	192
Vocational or technical school (2-year degree program)	1.9%	8
High school Equivalency Test Preparation Program	0.5%	2
Vocational or technical school (certificate program)	1.2%	5
Adult training program	0.2%	1
None of the above	3.9%	16

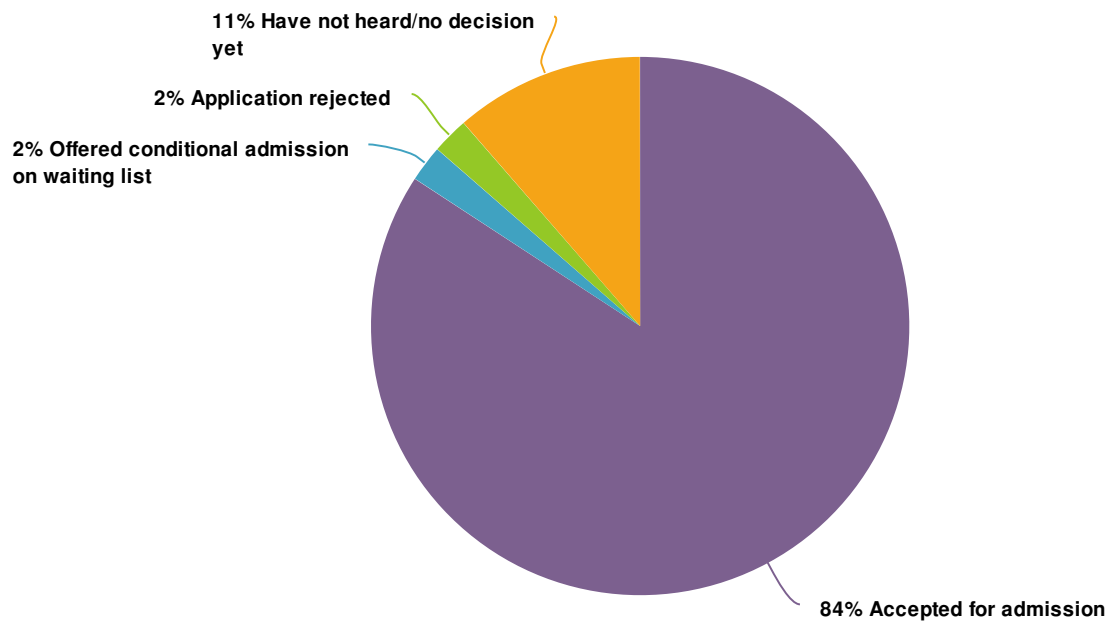
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8. Please tell us a little about three of the colleges and universities you applied to:

Name of School: - College/University 1



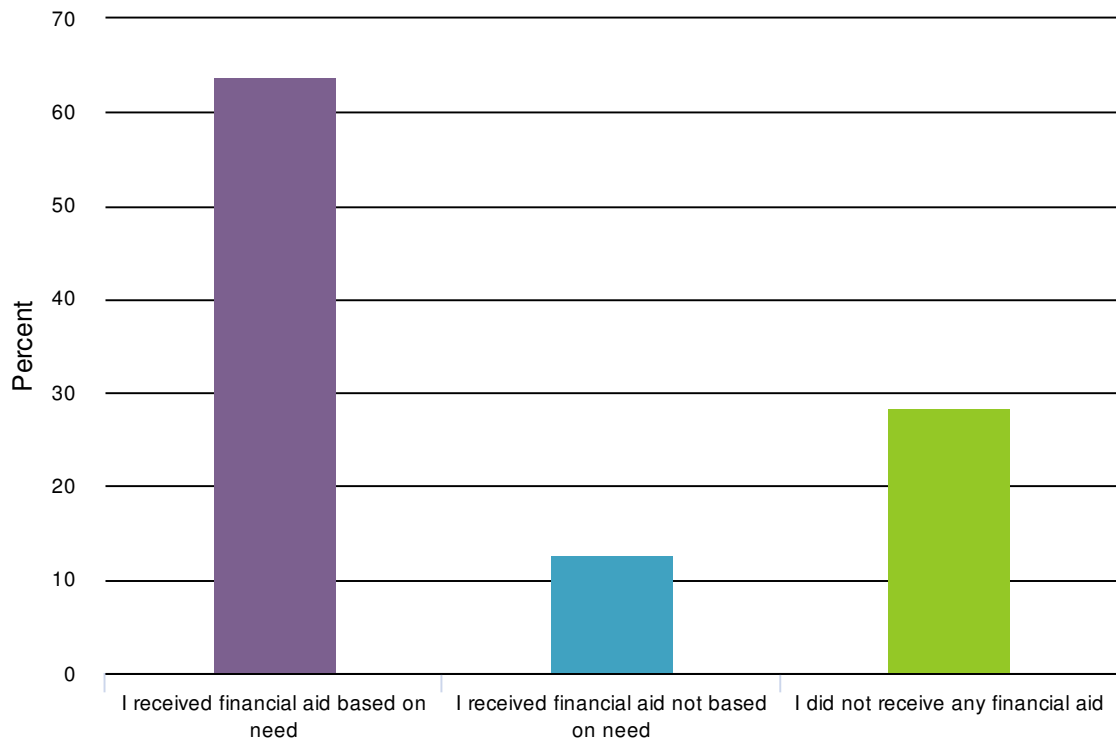
What is the decision status of your application? - College/University 1






Value	Percent	Responses
Accepted for admission	84.3%	311
Offered conditional admission on waiting list	2.2%	8
Application rejected	2.2%	8
Have not heard/no decision yet	11.4%	42

Totals: 369

Were you offered financial aid? - College/University 1

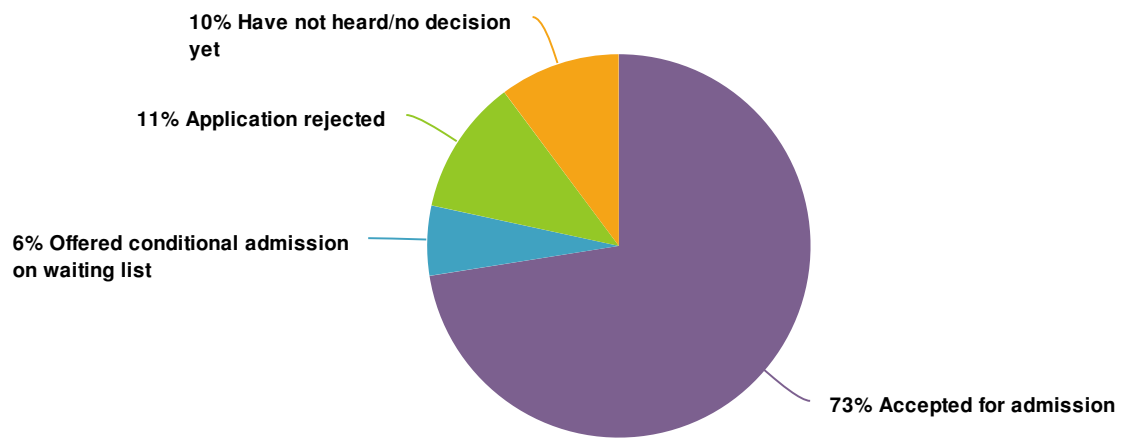


Value		Percent	Responses
I received financial aid based on need		63.7%	223
I received financial aid not based on need		12.6%	44
I did not receive any financial aid		28.3%	99



A word cloud featuring various names of California universities and colleges. The words are arranged in a roughly circular pattern, with 'state' and 'cal' being the largest and most prominent. Other visible words include 'berkeley', 'fullerton', 'santa', 'college', 'university', 'city', 'poly', 'cruz', 'northridge', 'california', 'uc', 'ucla', 'pasadena', 'davis', 'arizona', 'ucsb', 'los', 'csun', 'pcc', 'riverside', 'san', 'la', 'and 'angeles'.

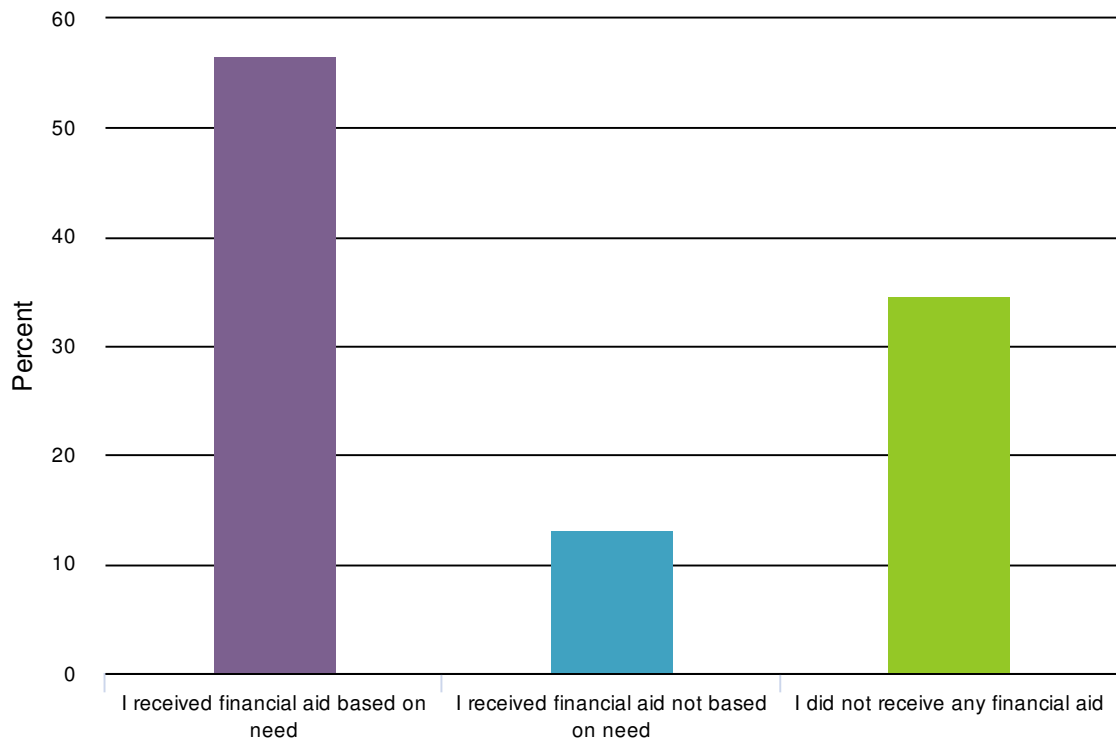
What is the decision status of your application? - College/University 2






Value	Percent	Responses
Accepted for admission	72.5%	171
Offered conditional admission on waiting list	5.9%	14
Application rejected	11.4%	27
Have not heard/no decision yet	10.2%	24

Totals: 236

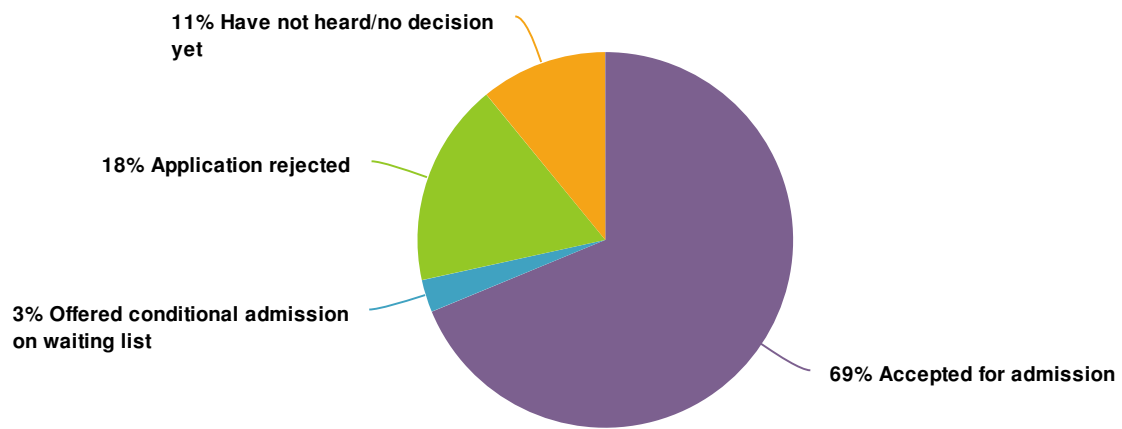
Were you offered financial aid? - College/University 2



Value		Percent	Responses
I received financial aid based on need		56.6%	129
I received financial aid not based on need		13.2%	30
I did not receive any financial aid		34.6%	79

A word cloud featuring various names of California state universities and colleges. The words are arranged in a cluster, with 'state' being the largest and most prominent word in the center. Other visible words include 'cal', 'san', 'college', 'northridge', 'csun', 'city', 'santa', 'california', 'la', 'poly', 'ucla', 'beach', 'cruz', 'los', 'pcc', 'university', 'uc', 'diego', 'pomona', 'long', 'pasadena', 'angeles', 'barbara', and 'davis'. The words are in various colors and orientations, creating a dynamic and colorful composition.

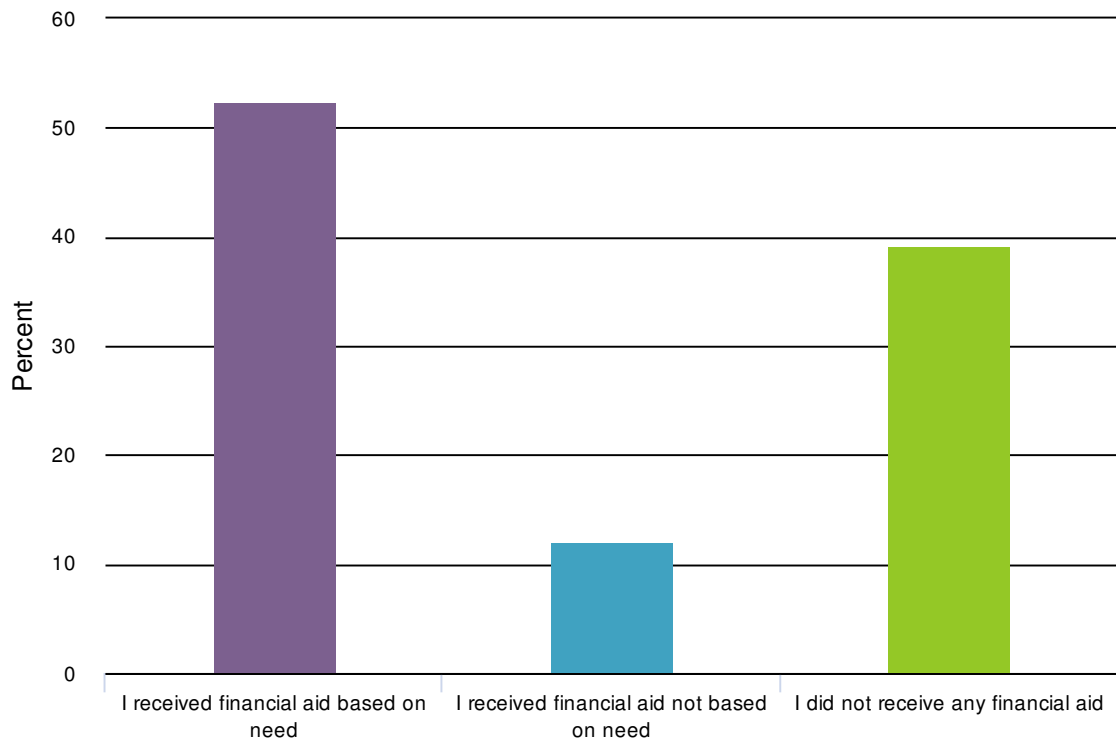
What is the decision status of your application? - College/University 3






Value	Percent	Responses
Accepted for admission	68.7%	145
Offered conditional admission on waiting list	2.8%	6
Application rejected	17.5%	37
Have not heard/no decision yet	10.9%	23

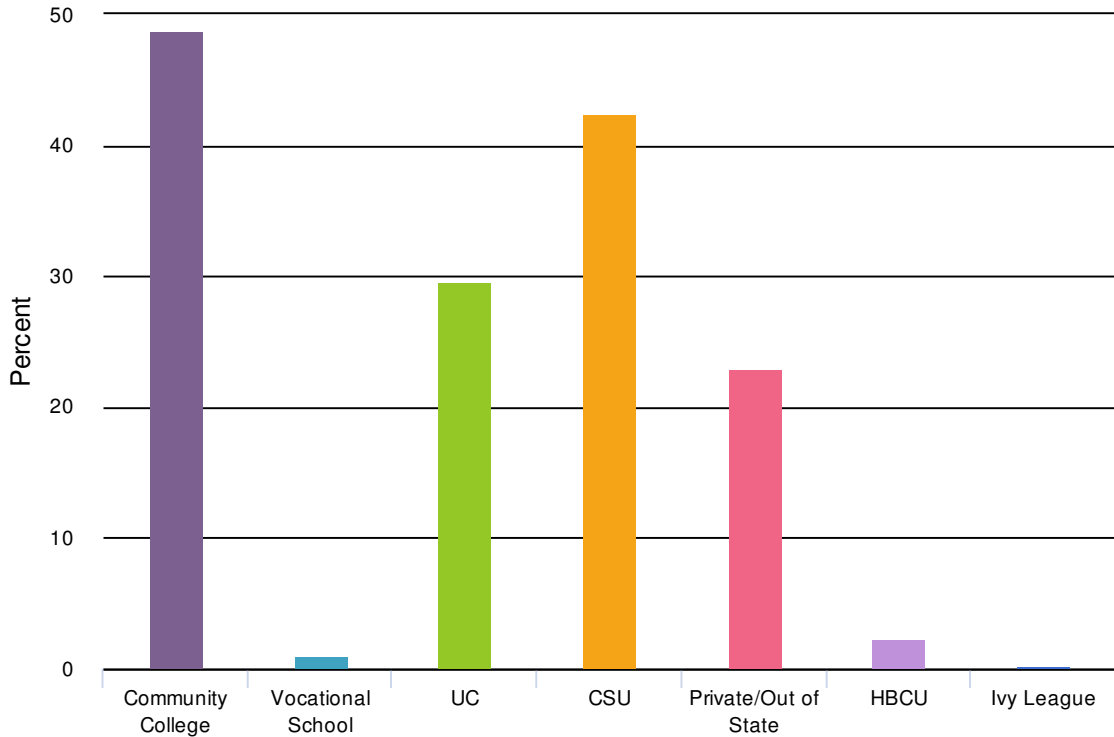
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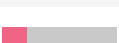
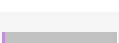
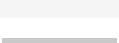
Were you offered financial aid? - College/University 3



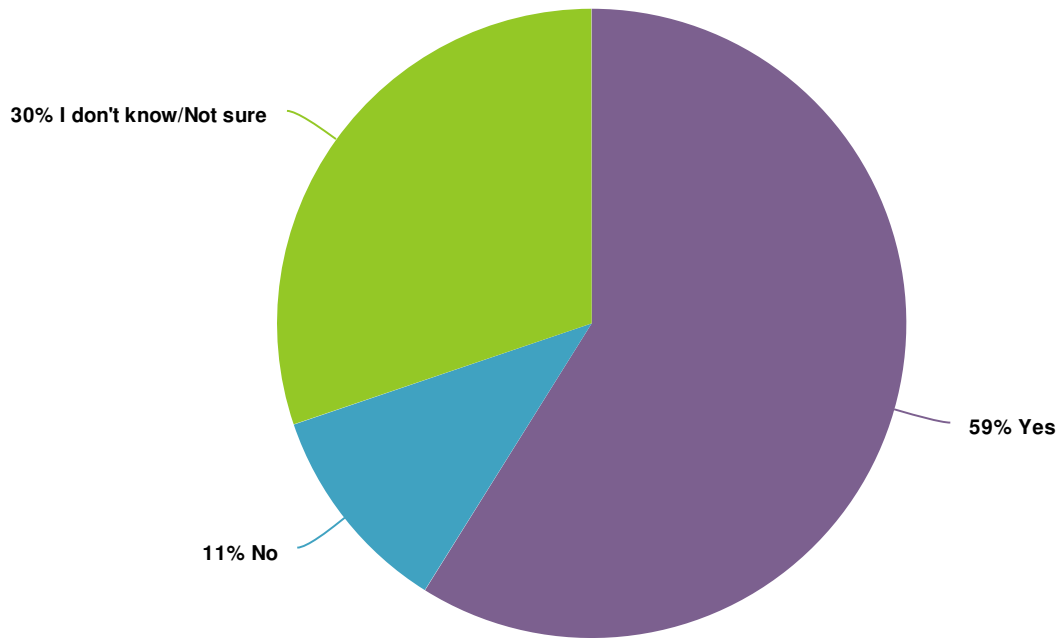
Value		Percent	Responses
I received financial aid based on need		52.4%	108
I received financial aid not based on need		12.1%	25
I did not receive any financial aid		39.3%	81

9. Type of College Applied/Accepted - Text Analysis (Combining three colleges and universities listed in question 8).



Value		Percent	Responses
Community College		48.8%	147
Vocational School		1.0%	3
UC		29.6%	89
CSU		42.5%	128
Private/Out of State		22.9%	69
HBCU		2.3%	7
Ivy League		0.3%	1

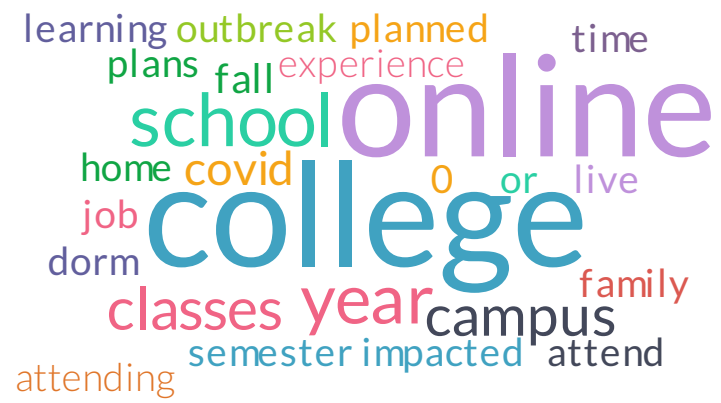
10. Has the outbreak of COVID-19 impacted your plans for next year?



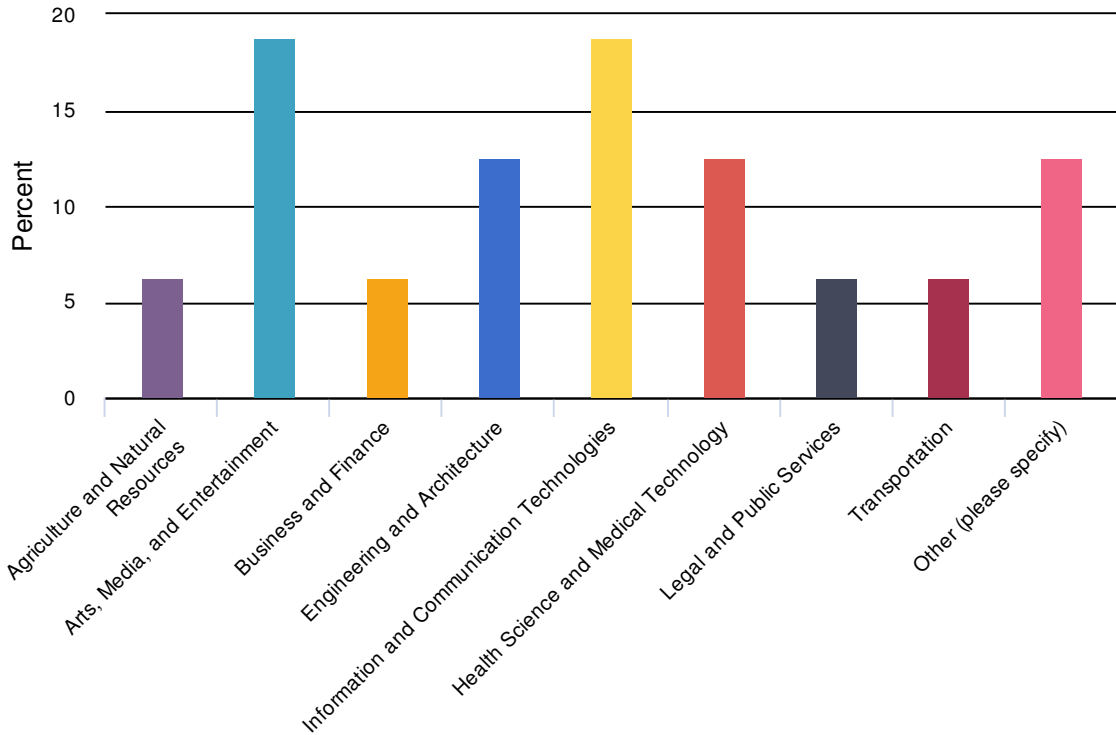
Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	58.9%	242
No	10.9%	45
I don't know/Not sure	30.2%	124

Totals: 411

11. Please describe how the outbreak of COVID-19 has impacted your plans for next year.



12. Which of these fields best represents the Academy you participated in?(Please select the answer which most closely reflects the industry.)



Value	Percent	Responses
Agriculture and Natural Resources	6.3%	1
Arts, Media, and Entertainment	18.8%	3
Business and Finance	6.3%	1
Engineering and Architecture	12.5%	2
Information and Communication Technologies	18.8%	3
Health Science and Medical Technology	12.5%	2
Legal and Public Services	6.3%	1
Transportation	6.3%	1
Other (please specify)	12.5%	2

Totals: 16

13. What was the name of the internship employer?



14. Please tell us about your experience by selecting your level of agreement with the following statements.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
My PUSD internship was in the same field or discipline as my current employment or current field of study. Count Row %	13 39.4%	4 12.1%	6 18.2%	5 15.2%	3 9.1%	2 6.1%	33
My PUSD internship experience was a valuable learning experience. Count Row %	17 53.1%	14 43.8%	1 3.1%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	32
I would recommend participating in a PUSD internship to other students. Count Row %	21 65.6%	9 28.1%	2 6.3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	32
Totals Total Responses							33

15. Please tell us about your experience with Career Technical Education (CTE) at Pasadena Unified.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses
Did your coursework and training help prepare you to continue your CTE studies in an educational or training program? Count Row %	7 43.8%	4 25.0%	4 25.0%	1 6.3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	16
Would you recommend participating in CTE to other students? Count Row %	9 60.0%	3 20.0%	1 6.7%	1 6.7%	1 6.7%	0 0.0%	15
Totals Total Responses							16



2019-20 Senior Survey

Impact of COVID-19: Text analysis

How has COVID-19 impacted your plans for next year?

Respondents' open text answers (n=210) were coded by theme and are presented below.

Response theme	Response Count
Will attend classes virtually	70
Will have a different freshman college experience than planned/No dorms	52
Will be less prepared/have difficulty learning online	21
Cannot fulfill summer plans/planning challenges	15
Negative social-emotional impact (anxiety, fear, isolation)	13
Will attend a different college than planned	12
Cannot access CTE, vocational, military, or sports training (e.g. welding, cosmetology, film, basic training)	11
Experienced financial troubles	9
Challenges finding employment or completing internship	8
Has not impacted plans or not yet sure	7
Could not tour college campuses	4
Will or considering delaying college	4
Cannot get driver's license	2
Have used time for personal growth	1
Was able to find easy employment	1