

Rensselaer Central Middle School

College & Career Readiness Survey Plans & Choices Summary Report*

***Note: Some questions were given to 8th grade only. These are shown in purple.**

Did you participate in Homework Help this year?

Yes	25% (81/327)
No	66% (215/327)
Not Sure	9% (31/327)

Do you like to see how much you can get away with?

Yes	13% (41/325)
No	57% (185/325)
Not Sure	30% (99/325)

If someone at your school had a problem with bullying and told an adult, would someone try to stop it?

Yes	53% (169/319)
No	13% (42/319)
Not Sure	34% (108/319)

Does your school have a problem with bullying?

Yes	29% (94/324)
No	30% (96/324)
Not Sure	41% (134/324)

During the last 9 weeks have you missed any whole days of school because you skipped or cut school?

Yes	6% (18/320)
No	80% (257/320)
Not Sure	14% (45/320)

During the last 9 weeks have you missed between 1-3 whole days of school because you skipped or cut school?

Yes	3% (11/325)
No	83% (271/325)
Not Sure	13% (43/325)

Do you plan to go to college?

Yes	71% (228/323)
No	7% (23/323)
Not Sure	22% (72/323)

What do you plan to do during the first year after high school?

College or university (four-year)	55% (182/332)
Community college (two-year)	4% (14/332)
Apprenticeship program (certificate)	1% (4/332)
Career-technical college (certificate)	2% (7/332)
Military	4% (13/332)
Full-time job	5% (18/332)
Not sure	28% (94/332)

Did you use the internet this year to search for information about a college?

Yes	46% (152/327)
No	35% (115/327)
Not Sure	18% (60/327)

Do you have someone that you feel comfortable going to with your questions about college?

Yes	59% (192/327)
No	15% (49/327)
Not Sure	26% (86/327)

Did you attend a college fair this year?

Yes	8% (26/326)
No	77% (251/326)
Not Sure	15% (49/326)

Did you visit a college campus this year?

Yes	26% (85/324)
No	62% (202/324)
Not Sure	11% (37/324)

Do you usually participate in class (listen, ask questions)?

Yes	90% (291/324)
No	10% (33/324)

Do you have a way to organize your class materials and assignments?

Yes	41% (132/322)
No	43% (137/322)

What careers interest you?

Defense	11% (35/330)
Education	20% (65/330)
Energy/Utilities/Construction	11% (37/330)
Financial services/Business services	9% (30/330)
Health care/Life sciences	28% (91/330)
Installation/Maintenance/Repair	8% (25/330)
Manufacturing/Advanced Manufacturing	10% (33/330)
Philanthropic	3% (9/330)
Retail/Hospitality/Tourism	8% (27/330)
Technology/Computer science/IT	22% (72/330)
Transportation/Distribution/Logistics	5% (16/330)
Other	62% (203/330)

Did you take a written or online career interest inventory this year?

Yes	19% (62/326)
No	43% (141/326)
Not Sure	38% (123/326)

Did you participate in job shadowing or an internship this year?

Yes	31% (101/325)
No	56% (182/325)
Not Sure	13% (42/325)

Do you have a system in place for saving information that will help you write a resume (activities, awards, etc.)?

Yes	45% (141/315)
No	55% (174/315)

Did you use the Internet this year to search for information about a career?

Yes	50% (164/325)
No	35% (113/325)
Not Sure	15% (48/325)

What type of high school diploma do you expect to receive?

International Baccalaureate	3% (3/89)
Core 40 with Academic Honors	38% (34/89)
Core 40 with Technical Honors	2% (2/89)
Core 40 (without honors)	3% (3/89)
General diploma	9% (8/89)
Not sure	44% (39/89)

Have you taken or do you plan to take an Advanced Placement (AP) course in high school?

Yes	33% (29/88)
No	25% (22/88)
Not Sure	42% (37/88)

Have you taken or do you plan to take a dual-credit course (a course taken for both high school and college credit) in high school?

Yes	31% (28/90)
No	19% (17/90)
Not Sure	50% (45/90)

Have you taken or do you plan to take one of the following college-level courses in high school: Advanced Placement Course, dual-credit course, International Baccalaureate?

Yes	33% (29/88)
No	18% (16/88)
Not Sure	49% (43/88)

Do you plan to take four years of math in high school?

Yes	39% (35/89)
No	15% (13/89)
Not Sure	46% (41/89)

Do you plan to take math during the senior year?

Yes	43% (38/88)
No	9% (8/88)
Not Sure	48% (42/88)

Have you completed two semesters of Algebra I?

Yes	31% (26/83)
No	69% (57/83)

Did you create or update a Graduation Plan last year?

Yes	16% (14/85)
No	32% (27/85)
Not Sure	52% (44/85)

If you have a WRITTEN plan for your future, does it include the steps you will take to explore postsecondary institutions?

Yes	17% (13/75)
No	83% (62/75)

If you have a WRITTEN plan for your future, does it include the steps you will take to pay for your postsecondary education?

Yes	14% (11/76)
No	86% (65/76)

Did you identify a career area this year that you would like to explore in high school?

Yes	51% (40/78)
No	49% (38/78)

Did you identify jobs this year that interest you?

Yes	68% (54/79)
No	32% (25/79)

Do you usually ask your teachers for help when you are confused?

Yes	79% (255/324)
No	21% (69/324)

Did you call the ASK-ROSE Homework Hotline (1-877-ASK-ROSE) this year for help with math and science homework?

Yes	5% (17/328)
No	84% (276/328)
Not Sure	11% (35/328)

Do you almost always turn in your homework on time?

Yes	84% (322/324)
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Did you read at least one book each month this year just for fun?

Yes	63% (207/327)
No	26% (84/327)
Not Sure	11% (36/327)

Did you take an ACT Aspire Test this year?

Yes	2% (5/324)
No	54% (176/324)
Not Sure	44% (143/324)

Did you participate in a sport, club or other extracurricular activity this year?

Yes	70% (228/325)
No	30% (97/325)

Did you participate in community service this year?

Yes	34% (109/324)
No	66% (215/324)

How many hours did you spend on sports, school activities or community activities last week?

less than 10 hours	41% (32/78)
10-20 hours	36% (28/78)
more than 20 hours	23% (18/78)

Were you absent more than 10 days this school year?

Yes	12% (39/327)
No	62% (203/327)
Not Sure	26% (85/327)

Were you sent to the office this year because the teacher thought you were misbehaving?

Yes	19% (63/324)
No	81% (261/324)

Were you suspended this year?

Yes	5% (15/320)
No	95% (305/320)

Did you or your parents attend a program this school year to learn how to pay for college?

Yes	5% (18/328)
No	56% (184/328)
Not Sure	38% (126/328)

Did you use the Indiana College Costs Estimator (www.IndianaCollegeCosts.org) this year to compare college costs or search for scholarships?

Yes	7% (24/327)
No	63% (205/327)
Not Sure	30% (98/327)

Have you applied for the Indiana Twenty-first Century Scholars program (in the 7th or 8th grade)?

Yes	6% (12/198)
No	53% (105/198)
Not Sure	41% (81/198)

Did you save money this school year for college?

Yes	31% (102/327)
No	46% (150/327)
Not Sure	23% (75/327)

Have you enrolled in a college savings plan provided by your state (sometimes called a 529 plan)?

Yes	7% (23/333)
No	30% (100/333)
Not Sure	63% (210/333)

Do you have a WRITTEN plan for your future?

Yes	20% (65/328)
No	62% (202/328)
Not Sure	19% (61/328)

Did you talk with your parents this school year about college?

Yes	59% (191/325)
No	29% (94/325)
Not Sure	12% (40/325)

Did you talk with your school counselor this year about college?

Yes	7% (22/323)
No	80% (258/323)
Not Sure	13% (43/323)

Did you talk with your parents this school year about jobs that interest you?

Yes	70% (227/325)
No	19% (62/325)
Not Sure	11% (36/325)

Did you talk with your school counselor this year about jobs that interest you?

Yes	4% (13/325)
No	83% (269/325)
Not Sure	13% (43/325)

Did you talk with your parents this year about courses you should take next year?

Yes	42% (35/83)
No	34% (28/83)
Not Sure	24% (20/83)

Did you talk with your school counselor this year about courses you should take next year?

Yes	8% (7/84)
No	65% (55/84)
Not Sure	26% (22/84)

Did you take a written or online learning style assessment this year?

Yes	23% (76/326)
No	27% (89/326)
Not Sure	49% (161/326)

Did you apply what you know about your learning style this year to help you complete tasks?

Yes	56% (182/326)
No	14% (46/326)
Not Sure	30% (98/326)

Have you been motivated to learn this year?

Yes	72% (232/322)
No	28% (90/322)

Did you show someone this year that you understood his or her feelings?

Yes	74% (238/322)
No	26% (84/322)

Did you stand up for yourself this year in a time when it was necessary?

Yes	82% (263/320)
No	18% (57/320)

Did you successfully lead a group this year?

Yes	49% (156/321)
No	51% (165/321)

Did you made a decision this year that was based on your personal values?

Yes	70% (224/322)
No	30% (98/322)

Have you created relationships this year with adults that can help you be successful?

Yes	65% (211/323)
No	35% (112/323)

Have you created good relationships this year with other students?

Yes	84% (271/321)
No	16% (50/321)

Have you communicated well in writing this year?

Yes	76% (244/322)
No	24% (78/322)

Have you communicated well verbally this year?

Yes	77% (248/323)
No	23% (75/323)

Did you take steps this year to make sure you were emotionally safe?

Yes	55% (177/320)
No	45% (143/320)

Did you take steps this year to make sure you were physically safe?

Yes	68% (221/323)
No	32% (102/323)

Did you demonstrate a healthy balance this year between home, school, and community activities?

Yes	68% (220/322)
No	32% (102/322)

Do you have a long-term goal that you work toward every day?

Yes	67% (218/323)
No	33% (105/323)

Did you work well on a project this year that you did with others?

Yes	86% (279/324)
No	14% (45/324)

Did you work well on a project this year that you did by yourself?

Yes	81% (262/324)
No	19% (62/324)

Can you describe a time this year when you were creative?

Yes	88% (280/320)
No	13% (40/320)

Did you make responsible choices this school year?

Yes	69% (226/327)
No	4% (14/327)
Not Sure	15% (48/327)
Prefer not to answer	12% (39/327)