Austin Independent School District

Department of Program Evaluation

RESULTS OF THE AISD HIGH SCHOOL EXIT SURVEY
CLASS OF 2008

CROCKETT HIGH SCHOOL

The sixth annual AISD High School Exit Survey was administered online[1] to seniors in every AISD High School during the Spring of 2008. This report contains the results for the Crockett High School Class of 2008. Where available, longitudinal data are presented to compare with the current 2008 responses. In addition, average results from all AISD high schools are presented alongside results for Crockett for comparison purposes. In total, 3,192 students in the Class of 2008 completed the survey, including 275 students from Crockett. Longitudinal tests for statisr s

All High Schools	85.3%	86.0%	82.0%	74.8%Ć

Student responses are organized into seven general topics areas: Open-Ended Comments; Postsecondary Intentions and Family Support; High School Experiences, Campus Climate, and

Project Advance counselors, were responsible for ensuring that all graduating seniors were given the opportunity to complete the survey. Most campuses completed the survey online, however students at Austin, Anderson, and Crockett were unable to do so due to inadequate computer facilities. These students completed a paper version of the survey and the facilitator hand-entered the surveys into the survey database.

[2] Corrected response rate is 87.0% see Appendix in district-level report for detailed information about response rates for 2008). Response rates are based on enrollment data.

Table 2. Within a Year After Graduating From High School, What Do You Plan To Do? (Item 7)

	All HS	Crockett HS

Table 5. If You Decide to Pursue Further Education at a Later Time, Would You Like to Come Back to Your High School for Support and Assistance With the Application and Financial Aid Process? (Item 10)

Response	2007-2008	
	All HS	Crockett HS
Yes	26.6%	30.8%
No	30.13%	26.9%
Not Sure	43.2%	42.3%

Note: This item was new in 2008. Because very few students indicated that they would not pursue further education within a year, percentages should be interpreted with caution.

Figure 1. To What Extent Do Your Parents / Family Support Your Plans for After High School? (Item 11)

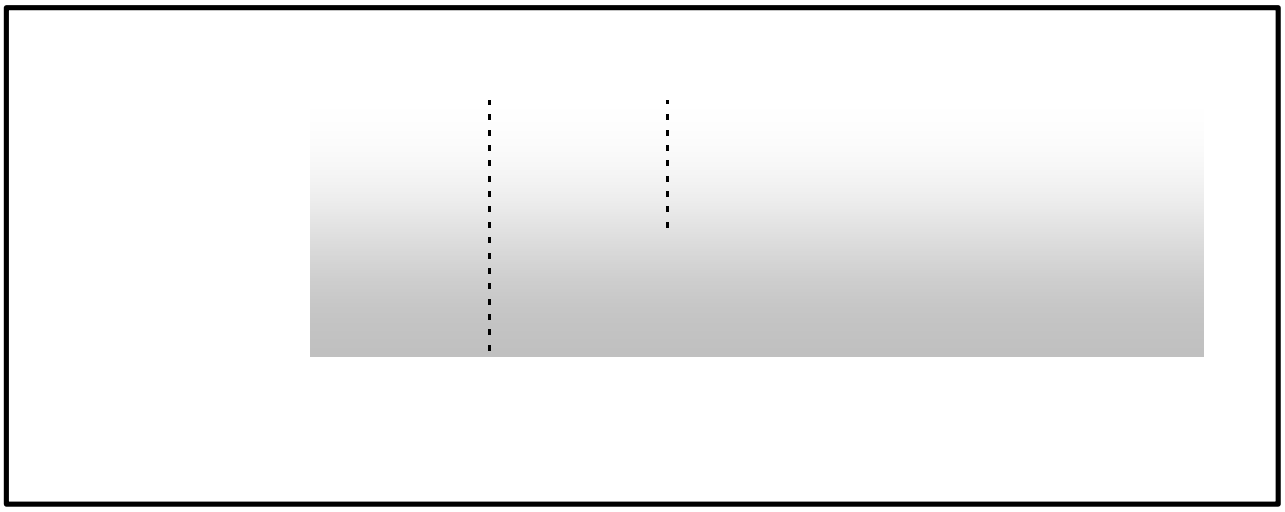

Table 7. Will You Be The First Person in Your Immediate Family to Attend College? (Item 13)

	All HS	Crockett HS

Table 9. How Many Different High Schools Have You Attended? (Item 3)

Table 11. Please Indicate the Number of Years of High School That You Have Been Employed (Either During the Year or During the Summer). (Item 21)

	2007-2008	
Years	**All HS**	**Crockett HS**
0 Years	24.4%	21.8%
1 Year	28.2%	30.7%
2 Years	26.2	

Figure 3. Thinking Back on Your Years in High School, How Many Hours per Week Did You Typically Spend Studying, Doing Research, or Completing Homework Assignments Outside of Class? (Item 23)

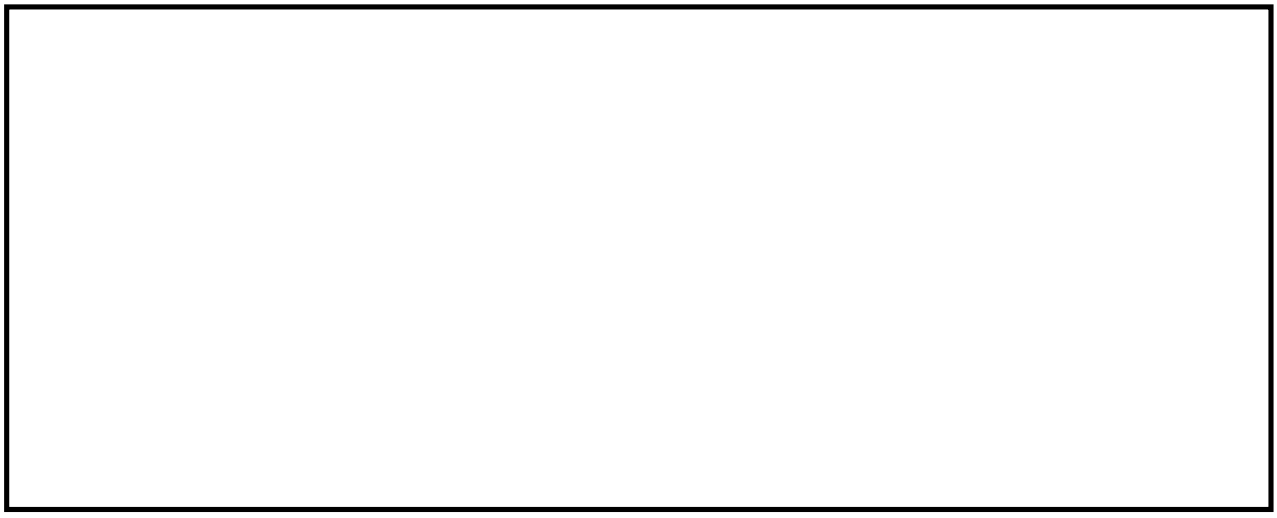

Table 12. Please Mark the Item That Best Indicates How You Feel: (Item 25a-k)

School climate	All HS Seniors	2007-2008 Crockett HS Grade 9-11	Crockett HS Seniors
I feel safe at my school	3.4	3.0	3.2
My classmates show respect to each other	2.9	2.9	2.7
The consequences for breaking school rules			

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Table 14. How Well Did Your High School Help You to Actively Develop Knowledge and Skills in the Following Areas? (Item 26)

	Somewhat well or Very well			
	All HS		Crockett HS	
Area	2006-2007	2007-2008	2006-2007	2007-2008
Teamwork	*	88.6%	*	88.7%

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Table 18. At What Time in Your Life Did You Start Thinking About College as a Possibility After High School? (Item 30)

	All HS		Crockett HS	
Time	**2006-2007**	**2007-2008**	**2006-2007**	**2007-2008**
As long as I can remember	39.1%	40.5%	32.7%	34.6%
In elementary school	*	8.5%	12.3%	7.0%
In middle/junior high school	21.0%	21.8%	21.9%	24.9%
In high school	25.3%	26.8%	29.5%	32.7%
I've never thought about college as an option after high school	2			

Table 20. How Did You Prepare for Continuing Education? (Check All That Apply) (Items 32 & 35)

Preparation	All HS		Crockett HS	
	2006-2007	2007-2008	2006-2007	2007-2008
Took the PSAT examination	57.9%	68.0%	48.4%	59.6%
			37.0%	40.4%
			41.8%	

Table 22. If You Participated in One or More College Preparation Programs, What Did You Get Out of It? (Item 34)

Benefit	2007-2008	
	All HS	Crockett HS
They encouraged me to attend school regularly	23.9%	36.1%
They helped me choose the HS courses to prepare for college	21.1%	31.3%
They explained the financial aid process to me	24.9%	38.6%
They were available to help with school-related issues	18.6%	33.7%
They helped me deal with personal issues	12.3%	23.5%
They helped me believe that college was right for me	21.9%	39.2%
They helped me apply to college	32.6%	45.2%
Other	1.2%	4.2%

Note: This item was new in 2008.

Figure 6. How Helpful Was Your Project ADVANCE Facilitator/College Advisor in the Following Types Of Meetings? (Item 37)

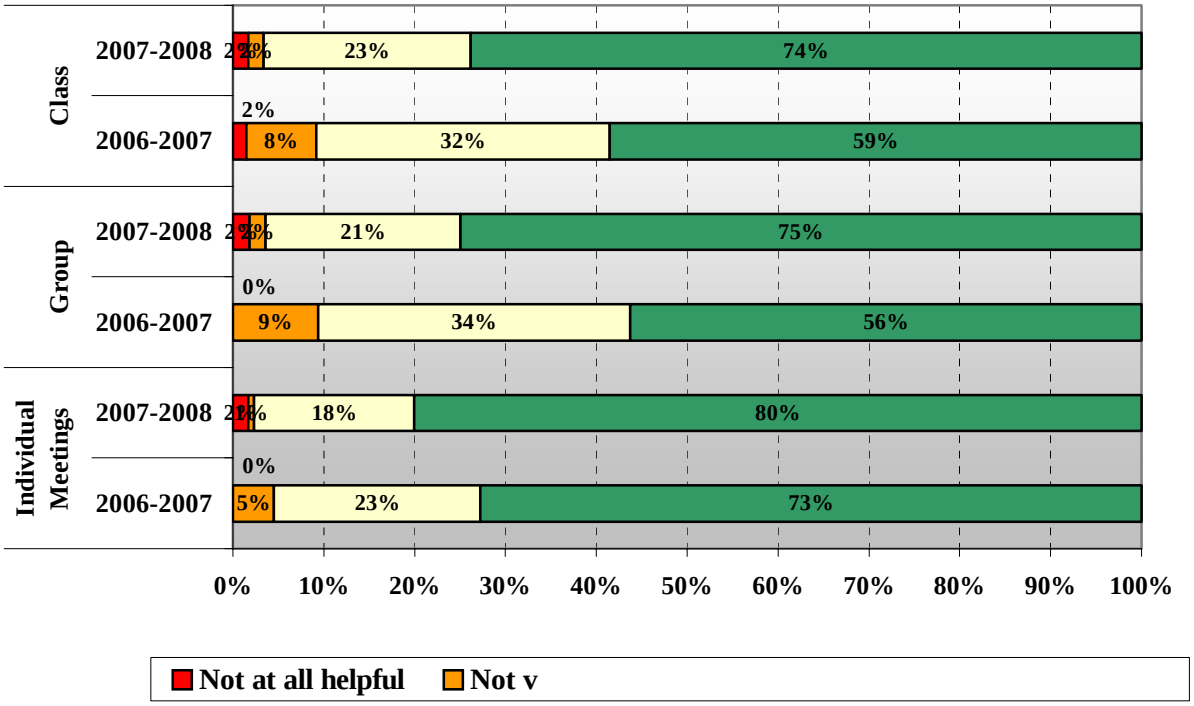


Figure 7. How Helpful Was Your Project ADVANCE Facilitator/College Advisor With the Following Processes? (Item 38)

Figure 11. Which of the Following People (Other Than Your Project ADVANCE Counselor) Helped You Obtain Information About Financial Aid for Education After High School and How Helpful Were They? (Item 43)

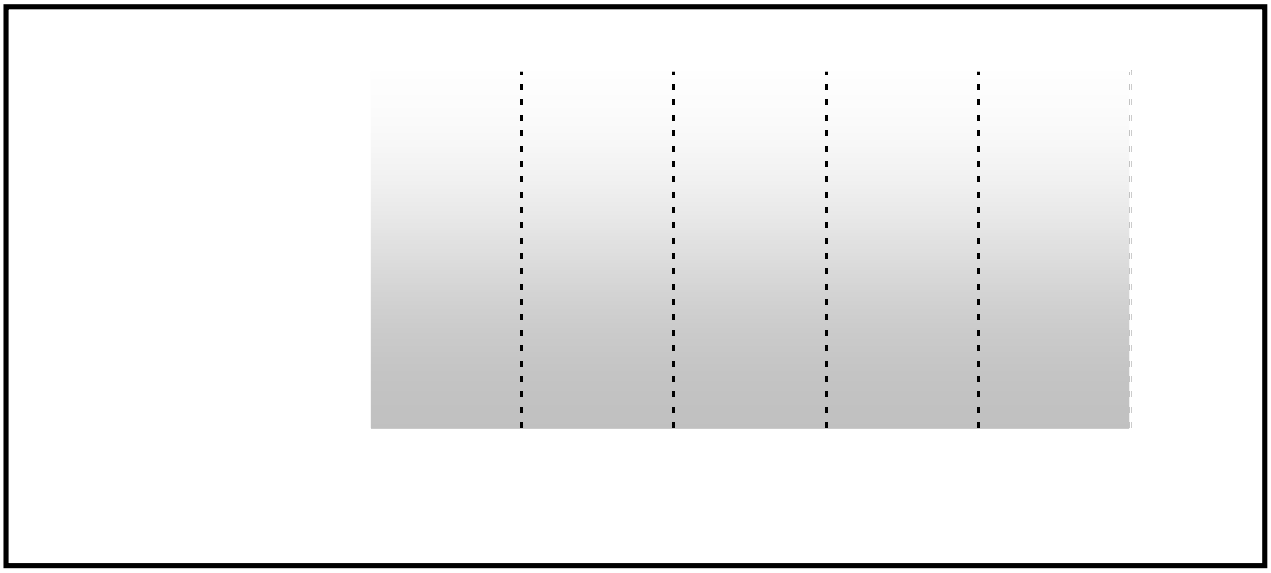
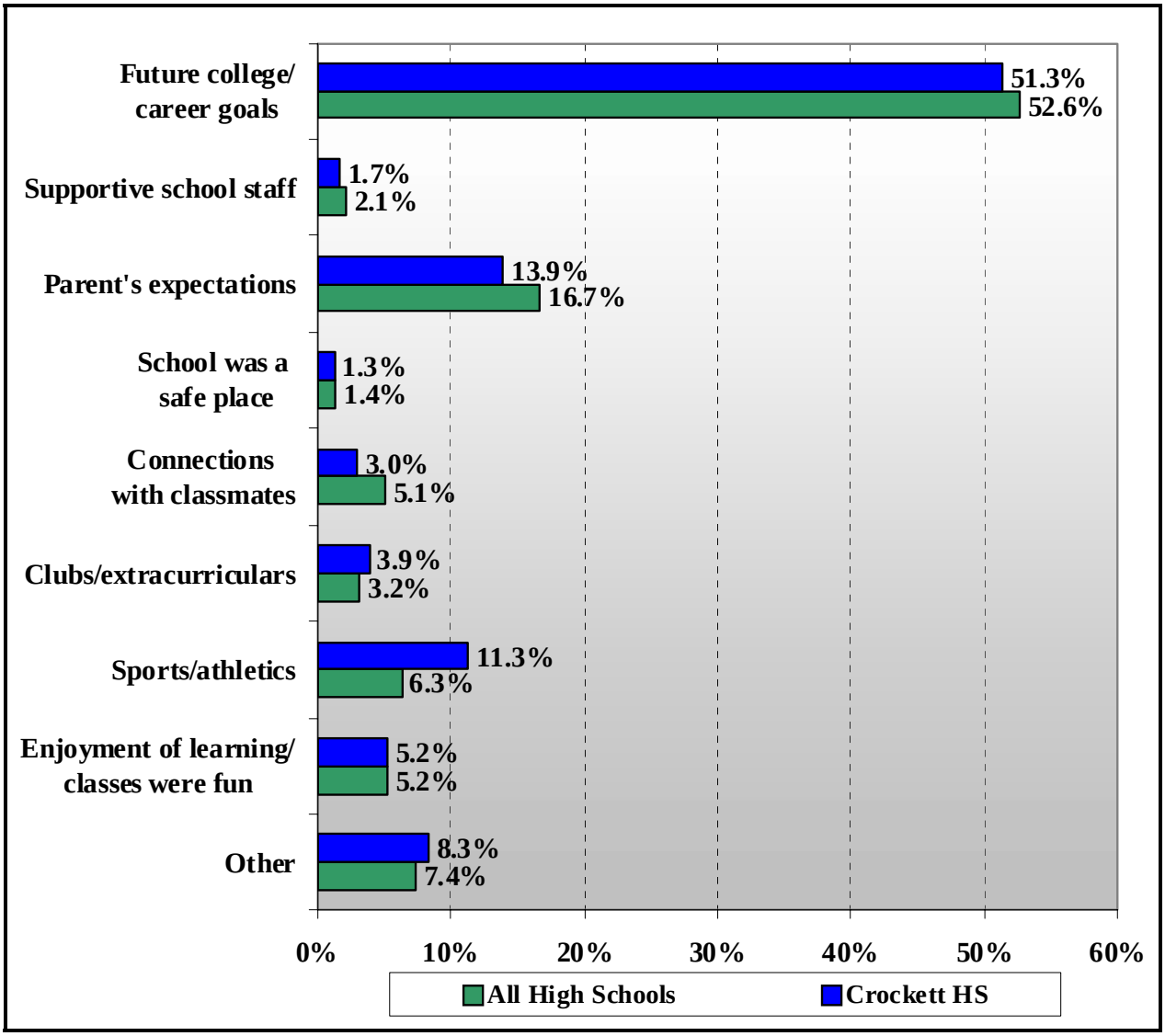


Table 26. How Do You Plan to Pay for Your Education After High School? (Item 45)

Means of payment	2007-08	
	All HS	Crockett HS
Financial aid	57.1%	

Figure 12. What Is the One Thing That Was Most Important to Keeping You Going Through School All The Way to Graduation? (Item 46)



Note. The wording of two response options was changed from previous years' surveys. In 2008, students were asked to rate "Supportive staff" whereas last year they reported on "Supportive teachers;" and the prior option, "Team/club activities" was split into "Clubs/extracurriculars" and Sports/athletics.