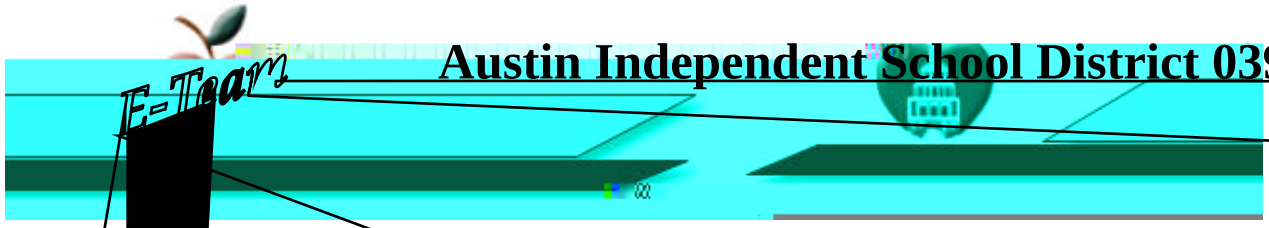

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Table 5. If You Decide to Pursue Further Education at a Later Time, Would You Like to Come Back to Your High School for Support and Assistance With the Application and Financial Aid Process? (Item 10)

Response	2007-2008	
	All HS	LASA HS
Yes	26.6%	18.2%
No	30.13%	36.4%
Not Sure	43.2%	45.5%

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.

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

	All HS		LASA HS	
	2006-2007	2007-2008	2006-2007	2007-2008
"Yes"	29.1%	30.0%	10.0%	15.4%

Table 8. How Far Did Your Parents Go in School? Indicate Your Mother and Father's Highest Level of Education. (Item 15)

	2007-2008			
	All HS		LASA HS	
Education Level	Mother	Father	Mother	Father
Did not finish high school	18.6%	17.9%	11.0%	9.1%
Graduated from high school or earned a GED	17.4%	16.9%	9.7%	9.7%
[redacted]		6.5%	2.6%	1.9%
Graduated from a 2-yr community/junior college or vocational/technical school	5.4%	3.9%	5.8%	3.2%
Attended a 4-yr college, but did not complete a degree	6.5%	7.0%	5.8%	9.1%
Graduated from college	21.6%	19.2%	26.6%	19.5%
Completed a Master's degree or equivalent	12.1%	12.5%	23.4%	24.0%
Completed a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced				

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

	All HS		LASA HS	
# of schools	**2006-2007**	**2007-2008**	**2006-2007**	**2007-2008**
1	76.1%	77.5%	90.2%	90.3%
2	16.8%	16.8%	4.1%	8.4%
3 or more	7.2%	5.6%	1.6%	1.3%

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Table 11. Please Indicate the Number of Y0E/rs

Figure 3. Thinking Back on Your Years in High School, How

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

School climate	All HS Seniors	2007-2008 LASA HS Grade 9-11	LASA HS Seniors
I feel safe at my school	3.4	3.4	3.3
My classmates show respect to each other	2.9	3.3	3.0
The consequences for breaking school rules are the same for everyone	2.7	3.2	2.6
Adults at this school listen to student ideas and opinions	2.8	3.1	2.9
There is at least one adult at my school who I can go to if I have a problem	3.3	3.4	3.1
My teachers are fair to everyone	2.9	3.1	2.9
Academic climate			
My homework helps me learn things I need to know.	2.9	2.9	2.8
I know how I am doing in school	3.4	3.3	3.5
My teachers expected me to do my best work.	3.6	3.7	3.6
My classes were rigorous and challenging*	3.1	*	3.5
My high school coursework has been relevant to my life*	2.7	*	2.7

Note. Average responses were calculated using the following scale: 1 (Never), 2 (Not a Lot), 3 (Sometimes), 4 (Always); responses of 'Don't Know' are not included. Items regarding School Climate and Academic Climate questionnaires were modified for the Class of 2008 corresponding to the AISD Student Climate Survey; therefore, longitudinal data are not available.
*These items are asked only on the High School Exit Survey.

Table 13. Please Answer the Following Questions About Your Civic Engagement. (Items 5 & 6)

Table 16. How Frequently Do You Use a Computer… (Item 28)

	Once a Week or More 2007-2008	
Use	**All HS**	**LASA HS**
At home?	86.7%	97.4%
At school?	74.0%	84.5%
To present material in class, for example, using PowerPoint?	23.5%	11.0%
To type a paper or class assignment?	55.4%	79.4%
To search the Internet to complete class-related assignments?	61.6%	80.0%
To research college/career choices?	50.6%	48.7%
To complete online forms or applications for college/employment?	44.0%	43.1%
To communicate with teachers (e.g., email, IM, etc.)?	20.8%	22.1%
To communicate with friends (e.g., email, IM, blog, Facebook, etc.)?	74.8%	88.3%
To participate in online communities (Facebook, blogs, discussion boards, etc.)?	56.9%	72.1%

Note. Responses include: Never, Less than Once a Week, Once or Twice a Week, Every Day or Almost Every Day. Previous reports indicated item means; percentages represent the number of students reporting At Least Once a Week or More.

Table 17. Indicate How Much You Agree With Each of the Following Statemenw

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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)

Time	All HS		LASA HS	
	2006-2007	2007-2008	2006-2007	2007-2008
As long as I can remember	39.1%	40.5%	29.9%	68.2%
In elementary school	*	8.5%	12.8%	11.0%
In middle/junior high school	21.0%	21.8%	24.8%	6.5%
In high school	25.3%	26.8%	30.8%	12.3%
I've never thought about college as an option after high school.	2.5%	2.3%	1.7%	1.9%

*Item changed from previous surveys when it was, "When I was a child."

Table 19. High School Preparation for Post-Graduation Opportunities (Item 31a-D & Item 20)

Preparation	Somewhat well or Very well 2007-2008	
	All HS	LASA HS
How well prepared were you to plan your high school course selections?		

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

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

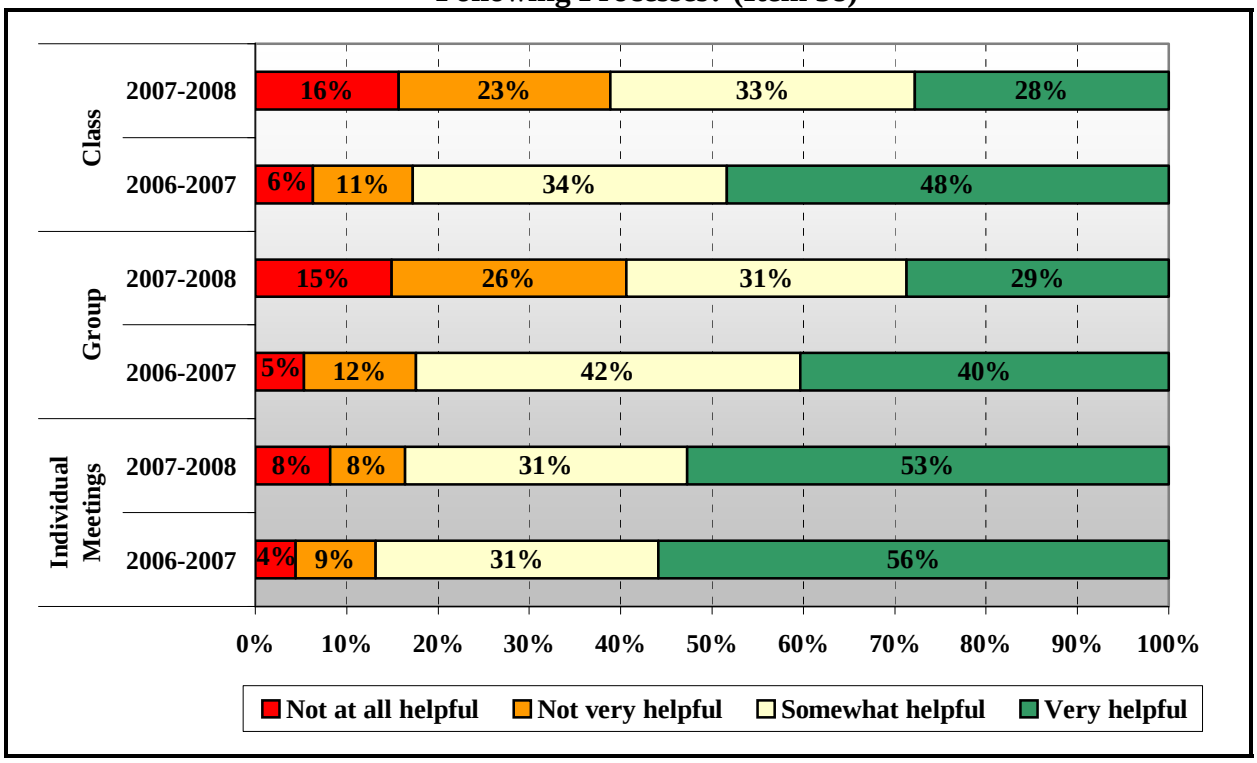

Figure 8. How Helpful Was Your Advocate/Advisory Teacher in the Following Types of Meetings? (Item 40)

Figure 9. How Helpful Was Your School Counselor in the Following Types of Meetings?

Figure 10. Which of the Following People (Other Than Your Project ADVANCE Counselor) Helped You to Prepare for the College/Technical /Vocational School Application Process and How Helpful Were They? (Item 39)

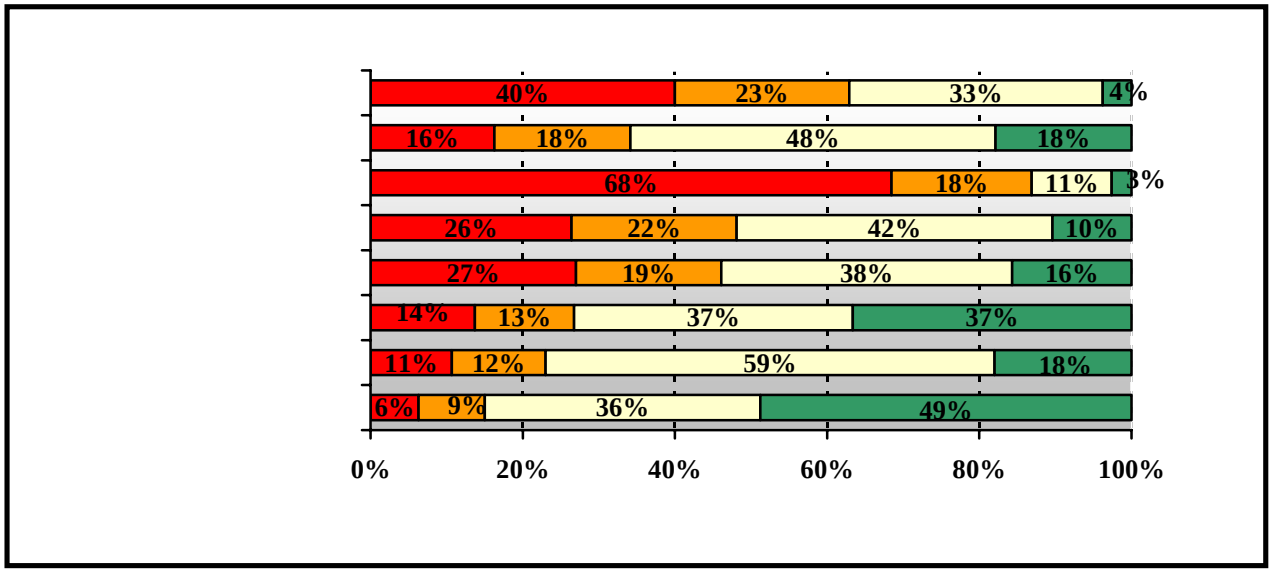

Figure 11. Which of the Following People (Other Than Your Project ADVANCE Counselor) Helped You Obtain Information About Financial Aid for Education After High School and How Helpful Were They? (Item 43)

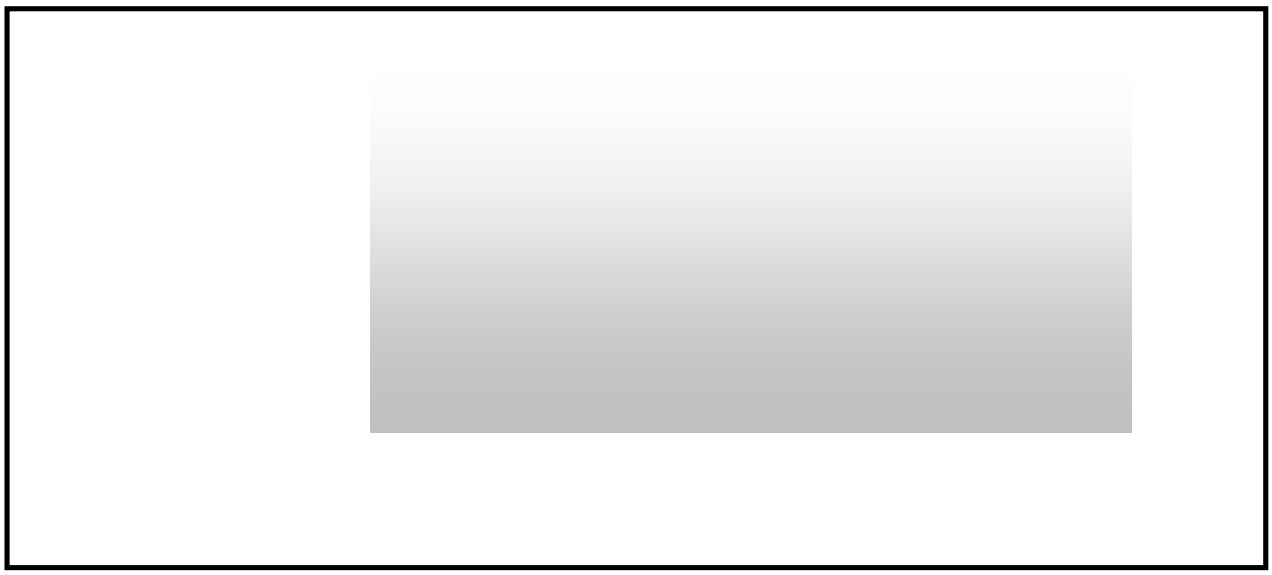

Table 26. How Do You Plan to Pay for Your Education After High School? (Item 45)

Means of payment	2007-08	
	All HS	LASA HS
Financial aid	57.1%	61.3%
Scholarships	48.9%	69.7%
Personal savings	36.0%	49.0%
Family savings	45.8%	65.8%
Family members will take loans	13.5%	19.4%
I will take loans	28.0%	39.4%
Grants	26.7%	27.1%
Working during the school year	42.3%	54.8%
Working during summer	45.4%	65.8%
Work-study programs on campus	19.0%	31.6%
Don't know/unsure	14.8%	16.1%

Note. Respondents may select more than one option; percentages will not total 100%. This item was new in 2008.
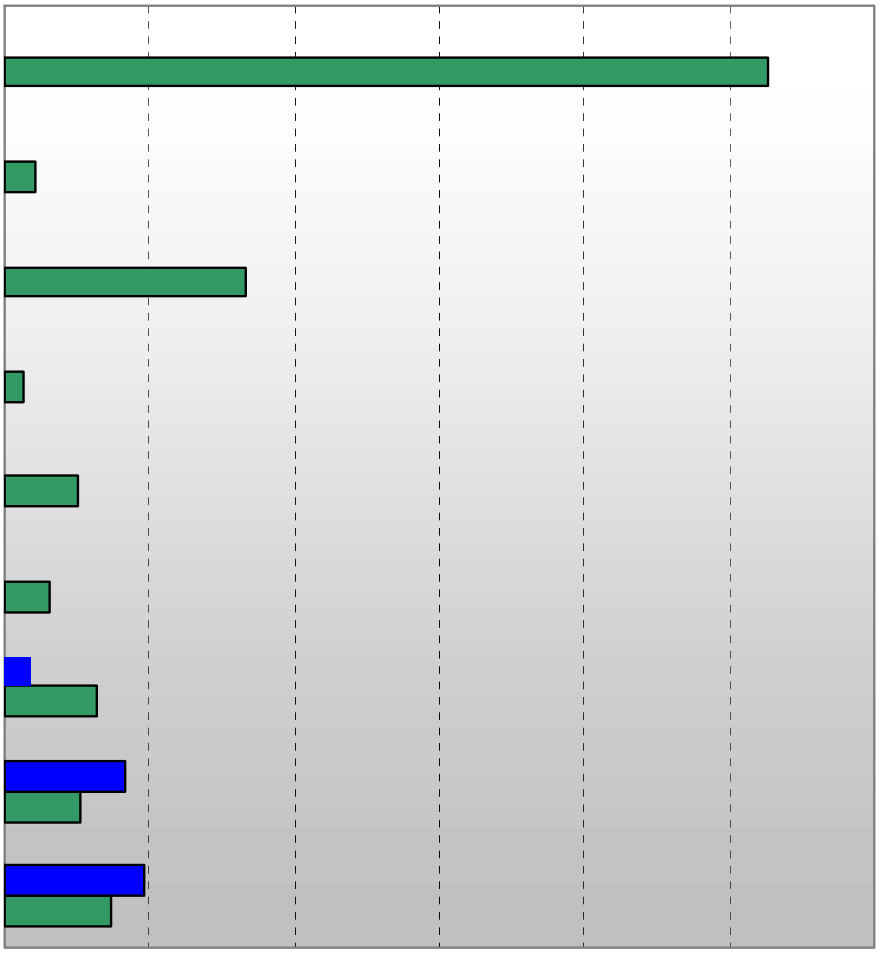
Figure 12. What Is the One Thing That Was Most Important to Keeping You Going Through School All The Way to Graduation? (Item 46)