# Report for AG3\_Community Survey January 2019\_WFSU





Totals: 175

I am aware of reasons why high school graduates have trouble securing gainful employment.

Value	Percent	Responses
Strongly Agree	19.3%	33
Agree	55.0%	94
Neutral	14.6%	25
Disagree	9.9%	17
Strongly Disagree	1.2%	2

Totals: 171

#### **Statistics**

Average 3.8

Please rate the top 3 reasons (you believe) high school graduates have trouble securing gainful employment (1 = top reason):

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Lack of guidance for career pathways	1		883	101
Lack of soft skills (interpersonal and/or people skills)	2		773	89
Lack of skills	3		641	74
Lack of quality high school education (reading literacy, math skills, etc.)	4		567	63
Perceptions about non 4-year college degree pathways	5		472	55
Knowledge about non 4-year college degree pathways	6		329	39
Lack of ambition	7		308	37
Lack of transportation	8		290	36
Lack of child care	9		97	16
Mental health issues	10	1	92	16
		Lowest Highest		

How many times in the past 3 months have you had a conversation with someone about how young people in our community have difficulties securing gainful employment?

Rank

Rank

Value	Percent	Responses
None	49.7%	79
1 - 2	33.3%	53
3 - 4	10.7%	17
5 - 6	1.3%	2
More than 6	5.0%	8

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
High schools play a vital role in helping students explore all career paths including alternatives to attending a 4-year college or university.  Count Row %	58 37.7%	49 31.8%	21 13.6%	21 13.6%	5 3.2%	154	3.9

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
There are plenty of opportunities for gainful employment available to high school graduates that do not require a 4-year college degree.  Count Row %	23 14.6%	54 34.2%	36 22.8%	34 21.5%	11 7.0%	158	3.3
Young adults can make a living with a two-year degree. Count Row %	27 17.4%	86 55.5%	24 15.5%	17 11.0%	1 0.6%	155	3.8
I would be happy if my child decided to pursue a skilled career rather than going to a 4-year college. Count Row %	36 22.6%	61 38.4%	28 17.6%	25 15.7%	9 5.7%	159	3.6
Totals Total Responses						159	3.6

If a recent high school graduate approached you today and asked for guidance about employment opportunities that do not require a 4-year degree would you know where to direct her/him for information?

Value	Per	cent Responses
Strongly Agree	1	.8.6% 29
Agree	4	74
Neutral	1	.9.2% 30
Disagree	1	2.8%
Strongly Disagree		1.9%

#### **Statistics**

Average 3.7

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
Networking is important when entering a career. Count Row %	71 46.1%	69 44.8%	13 8.4%	1 0.6%	0 0.0%	154	4.4
I am aware of resources available to connect job seekers to a network of people working in their desired field. Count Row %	7 4.5%	57 37.0%	47 30.5%	38 24.7%	5 3.2%	154	3.1
I am aware of the career education and training opportunities available to young adults in my community. Count Row %	20 12.9%	60 38.7%	35 22.6%	37 23.9%	3 1.9%	155	3.4
Totals Total Responses						155	3.6

Please answer the following statements:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
People need a 4- year college degree to be productive members of society. Count Row %	1 0.6%	6 3.8%	10 6.4%	92 59.0%	47 30.1%	156	1.9
Completion of a 4-year college degree is essential to obtaining gainful employment. Count Row %	3 1.9%	8 5.1%	14 9.0%	99 63.5%	32 20.5%	156	2.0
After high school, all students should attend a 4-year college or university. Count Row %	2 1.3%	8 5.1%	19 12.2%	70 44.9%	57 36.5%	156	1.9
Workforce development is crucial for our region's economy. Count Row %	68 44.2%	79 51.3%	6 3.9%	1 0.6%	0 0.0%	154	4.4

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
There are indemand skilled jobs for high school graduates in our region that do not require a 4-year college degree. Count Row %	28 18.1%	85 54.8%	31 20.0%	9 5.8%	2 1.3%	155	3.8
It is acceptable for a 16-26 year old member of my family to pursue a career path that leads to gainful employment other than through a 4-year college degree program.  Count Row %	55 35.3%	80 51.3%	9 5.8%	11 7.1%	1 0.6%	156	4.1
<b>Totals</b> Total Responses						156	3.0

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
It is important for technical and community colleges to provide credentialing (certificates, qualifications, etc.) for entrance into the workforce within 2 years or less.  Count Row %	67 43.5%	78 50.6%	8 5.2%	1 0.6%	0 0.0%	154	4.4
It is important for high schools to provide career and technical education (CTE) programs. Count Row %	78 50.6%	69 44.8%	4 2.6%	3 1.9%	0 0.0%	154	4.4
It is important for students to have the opportunity to obtain credentials (certificates, qualifications, etc.) for the workforce while in high school.  Count Row %	64 41.6%	70 45.5%	12 7.8%	7 4.5%	1 0.6%	154	4.2

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
It is important for businesses to provide internships and apprenticeships to help prepare young adults for careers.  Count Row %	91 59.1%	61 39.6%	2 1.3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	154	4.6
It is important for educational institutions to partner with businesses to ensure that they are preparing students for the workforce and gainful employment.  Count Row %	92 59.7%	55 35.7%	7 4.5%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	154	4.6
Totals Total Responses						154	4.4

How many times in the past 3 months have you had a conversation with someone about the importance of completing high school?

Value	Percent	Responses
None	62.6%	97
1 - 2	22.6%	35
3 - 4	5.2%	8
5 - 6	5.2%	8
More than 6	4.5%	7

How many times in the past 3 months have you had a conversation with someone about the importance of selecting a career path prior to graduating from high school?

Value	Percent	Responses
None	67.7%	105
1 - 2	23.2%	36
3 - 4	6.5%	10
5 - 6	1.9%	3
More than 6	0.6%	1

Totals: 155

How often in the past 3 months have you spoken with someone 16-26 years of age about their career goals?

Value	Percent	Responses
None	32.9%	51
1 - 2	35.5%	55
3 - 4	17.4%	27
5 - 6	5.8%	9
More than 6	8.4%	13

Adults play an important role in assisting high school students in choosing a career path.

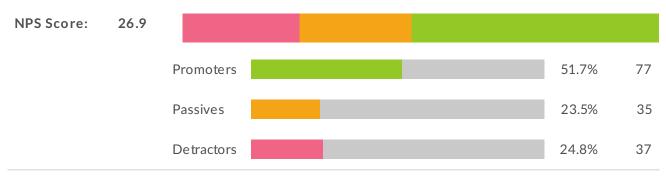
Value	Percent	Responses
Strongly Agree	37.5%	57
Agree	57.2%	87
Neutral	3.9%	6
Strongly Disagree	1.3%	2

Totals: 152

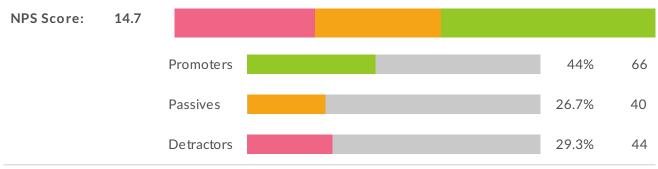
#### **Statistics**

Average 4.3

Public media provides necessary and important information to my community.

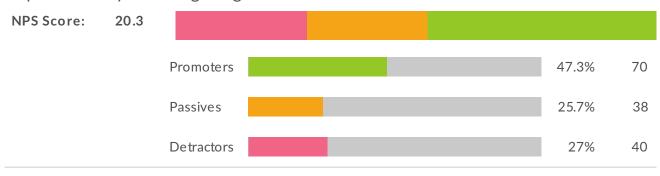


I turn to public media for information and resources beyond the news.



Totals: 150

There needs to be more skilled career opportunities in my community that do not require a four-year college degree.



Totals: 148

I would encourage a young person in my life to seek out high demand skilled careers that require technical training or associate degrees.

NPS Score:	14.8					
		Promoters			40.3%	60
		Passives			34.2%	51
		Detractors			25.5%	38

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Average
I am aware of my public media station's American Graduate: Getting to Work initiative. Count Row %	12 8.0%	26 17.3%	33 22.0%	50 33.3%	29 19.3%	150	2.6
I believe public media plays an essential role in my community. Count Row %	60 40.3%	67 45.0%	17 11.4%	2 1.3%	3 2.0%	149	4.2
I believe public media can contribute to improving workforce development. Count Row %	51 34.2%	73 49.0%	19 12.8%	2 1.3%	4 2.7%	149	4.1
Totals Total Responses						150	3.6

	Yes	No	Responses
I have seen American Graduate: Getting to Work content on my local public television station.  Count  Row %	15 10.0%	135 90.0%	150
I have heard American Graduate: Getting to Work content on my local public radio station.  Count  Row %	33 22.0%	117 78.0%	150
I have seen American Graduate: Getting to Work content on social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram).  Count  Row %	8 5.3%	142 94.7%	150
Totals Total Responses			150

## As a result of seeing or hearing American Graduate: Getting to Work content, I...

	Yes	No	Responses
Looked for more information about a high-demand skilled career pathway.  Count  Row %	3 8.1%	34 91.9%	37
Told a young adult about a high-demand skilled career. Count Row %	12 32.4%	25 67.6%	37
Helped a young adult (16-26 years of age) enroll in a training or education program for a high-demand skilled career. Count Row $\%$	2 5.4%	35 94.6%	37
Used resources that were mentioned or links provided as part of the American Graduate: Getting to Work content.  Count  Row %	6 16.2%	31 83.8%	37

#### Totals

Total Responses 37

## $The \, American \, Graduate; Getting \, to \, Work \, content \, I \, saw/heard \, was;$

	Yes	No	Responses
Relevant to young adults. Count Row %	36 94.7%	2 5.3%	38
Engaging and interesting. Count Row %	35 92.1%	3 7.9%	38
Provided information I did not know. Count Row %	29 76.3%	9 23.7%	38
Motivated me to share the information. Count Row %	18 47.4%	20 52.6%	38
Totals Total Responses			38

#### What is your gender?

Value	Percent	Responses
Male	32.7%	49
Female	66.0%	99
Prefer Not to Answer	1.3%	2

Totals: 150

## Please indicate your age:

Value	Percent	Responses
18 - 29 years old	3.3%	5
30 - 39 years old	10.0%	15
40 - 49 years old	9.3%	14
50 - 59 years old	16.7%	25
60 - 69 years old	29.3%	44
70+years old	28.0%	42
Prefer Not to Answer	3.3%	5

Please indicate the race/ethnicity with which you most often identify:

Value	Percent	Responses
White, not Hispanic or Latino/a	85.2%	127
Hispanic or Latino/a	2.0%	3
Black or African American	2.7%	4
Asian	2.0%	3
2 or More Races/Ethnicities	3.4%	5
Prefer Not to Answer	4.7%	7

Totals: 149

Please indicate your highest level of education:

Value	Percent	Responses
High school graduate, diploma or equivalent	2.7%	4
Some college credit, no degree	6.7%	10
Trade/technical/vocation training	1.3%	2
Associate's degree	8.7%	13
Bachelor's degree	30.7%	46
Master's degree	25.3%	38
Professional degree	8.7%	13
Doctorate degree	14.0%	21
Prefer Not to Answer	2.0%	3

Which best describes your current employment status:

Value	Percent	Responses
Employed for wages, full time	42.7%	64
Employed for wages, part time	4.0%	6
Self-employed	10.7%	16
Out of work and looking for work	1.3%	2
Out of work but not currently looking for work	0.7%	1
A homemaker	2.0%	3
A student	0.7%	1
Military	0.7%	1
Retired	35.3%	53
Unable to work	0.7%	1
Prefer Not to Answer	1.3%	2