

Dakota ACAC Annual Junior Class Survey Results

Class of: PARTICIPANTS:	1990		2000		2010	
	Totals	%	Totals	%	Totals	%
High Schools	184	92.0%	171	85.9%	146	78.9%
Students	7,343	78.9%	7,890	71.6%	6,263	62.7%

(Above percentages are of total possible in state, based upon previous fall enrollment.)

QUESTION A: Most important factors in planning for after H.S.						
Parents	4,961	67.6%	5,649	71.6%	4,990	79.7%
Friends	2,938	40.0%	3,426	43.4%	3,200	51.1%
Counselor	2,606	35.5%	2,331	29.5%	2,558	40.8%
Internet					2,505	40.0%
Teacher	993	13.5%	1,216	15.4%	1,629	26.0%
Visit	1,615	22.0%	1,605	20.3%	1,551	24.8%
Post-High Rep.	1,296	17.6%	1,298	16.5%	1,218	19.4%
Catalogs	2,193	29.9%	1,933	24.5%	1,086	17.3%
Shadow Program			1,013	12.8%	849	13.6%
Employers	845	11.5%	1,036	13.1%	774	12.4%

QUESTION B: Areas needing help as continue H.S. education:						
College Planning	4,479	61.0%	4,847	61.4%	4,035	64.4%
Career Planning	3,273	44.6%	3,186	40.4%	2,582	41.2%
Course Selection	2,288	31.2%	2,612	33.1%	2,434	38.9%
Job Hunting	1,537	20.9%	1,507	19.1%	1,408	22.5%
Personal Problems	318	4.3%	353	4.5%	319	5.1%

QUESTION C: Most important influences on choice of Post-High Inst.:						
Offers Major	4,323	58.9%	5,254	66.6%	4,008	64.0%
Tuition/Expenses	2,832	38.6%	3,287	41.7%	2,706	43.2%
Variety of Programs	2,895	39.4%	2,967	37.6%	2,355	37.6%
Scholarship	1,803	24.6%	2,333	29.6%	2,210	35.3%
Type of Institution	1,896	25.8%	2,228	28.2%	2,137	34.1%
Parents	1,347	18.3%	1,710	21.7%	1,873	29.9%
Specific Programs	1,392	19.0%	1,637	20.7%	1,868	29.8%
Size of Institution	1,543	21.0%	1,955	24.8%	1,862	29.7%
Away from Home	1,720	23.4%	2,192	27.8%	1,821	29.1%
Reputation	1,781	24.3%	2,006	25.4%	1,736	27.7%

Class Of 2010 Top Ten Choices of Major		
Nursing (RN)	238	3.8%
Military	203	3.2%
Medicine/Pre-Med	177	2.8%
Psychology	164	2.6%
Physical Therapy	161	2.6%
Business Management	129	2.1%
Mechanical Engineering	118	1.9%
Sports Medicine	115	1.8%
Arts	111	1.8%
Criminal Justice	108	1.7%

First Choice of Post-High Inst.		
SD Public Col/U	2620	41.8%
Out-of-State Col/U	1240	19.8%
SD Tech Inst.	848	13.5%
SD Church C/U	443	7.1%
SD Other Ed. Inst.	326	5.2%
Military	299	4.8%
Out-of-State Other	181	2.9%
Work	66	1.1%

Top Majors by Cluster		
Health	1394	22.3%
Arts	684	10.9%
Trades	650	10.4%
Business	497	7.9%
Social Sciences	479	7.6%
Education	478	7.6%
Engineering	463	7.4%
Science	425	6.8%
Agriculture	363	5.8%
Military	203	3.2%
Communications	102	1.6%
Humanities	78	1.2%
Family/Consum. Sci.	77	1.2%

