



ADJUSTING TO COLLEGE CAN BE TRICKY!



Approximately 46.2% of respondents said that if given the choice, they would still choose to enroll at their current college, while 31.1% were undecided. The items below provide us with a look into how first-year students acclimate to their new school.



FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS ARE WORRIED ABOUT SAFETY ON CAMPUS



29.1%
Felt unsafe on campus.



17.0%
Believe sexual violence is prevalent on campus.



37.6%
Are not aware of their college's harassment/assault reporting policy.

WHILE COLLEGES TOOK STEPS TO EASE STUDENTS' TRANSITION TO COLLEGE,



4.5%

Participated in a common book or summer reading program.



17.8%

Took a course or first-year seminar designed to help students adjust to college life.

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51.5%

Were satisfied with first-year programs.



48.5%

Were satisfied with their orientation.

MANY STUDENTS STILL HAD DIFFICULTY ADJUSTING.



62.2%

Found it difficult to manage time effectively.



57.8%

Had difficulty developing effective study skills.



48.8%
Frequently felt overwhelmed by all they had to do.

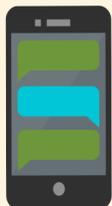


73.2%
Felt isolated from campus life.



77.1%
Felt lonely or homesick.

WHILE SOME STUDENTS MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES BACK HOME...



23.6%

Interacted with parents or guardians daily.



14.3%

Interacted with siblings or extended family daily.



38.3%

Felt their family responsibilities interfered with schoolwork.



20.2%

Frequently went home for the weekend.



25.0%

Contributed money to help support their family.

MOST FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS ESTABLISHED CONNECTIONS AT THEIR NEW SCHOOL.



74.1%

Felt that faculty empowered them to learn.



63.0%

Agreed that at least one staff member took an interest in their development



56.1%

Found it easy to develop close friendships with other students.



60.9%

Interacted with close friends at their school daily.



70.2%

Received advice/counseling from another student.



40.0%

Are satisfied with the overall sense of community among students.