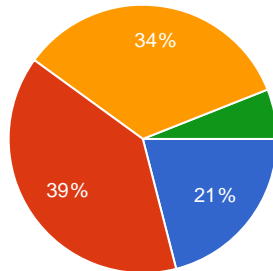


2016 Graduate Survey Summary

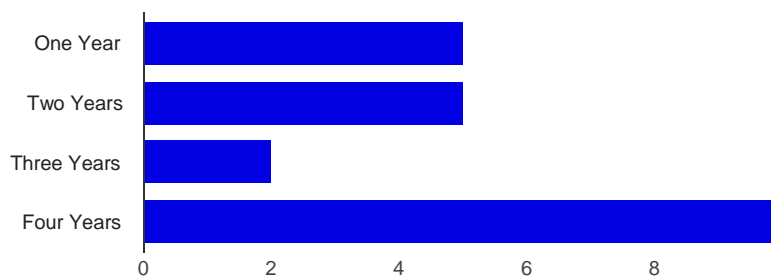
100 Responses

How would you describe the majority of your core classes at Quakertown Community High School?



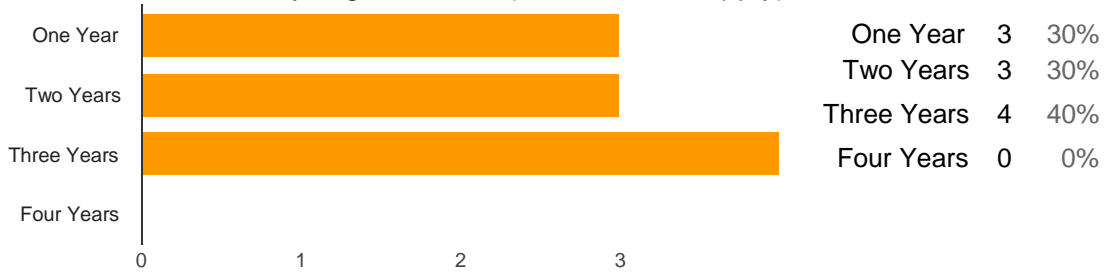
College Preparatory	21	21%
Honors	39	39%
Advanced Placement	34	34%
UBCTS	6	6%
Other	0	0%

Chorus [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]

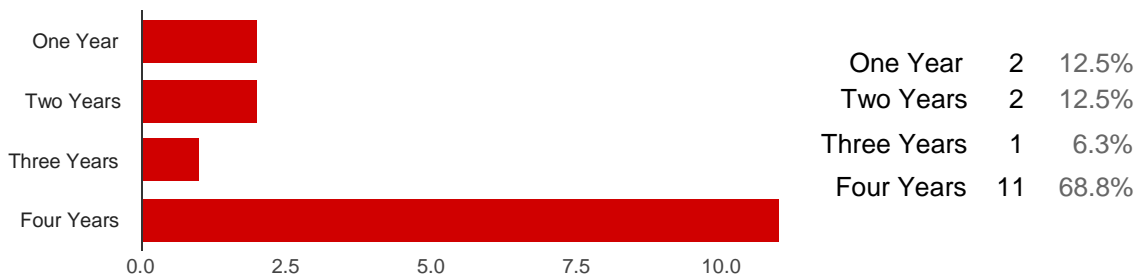


One Year	5	22.7%
Two Years	5	22.7%
Three Years	2	9.1%
Four Years	10	45.5%

Varsity Singers [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]



Concert/Symphonic Band [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]

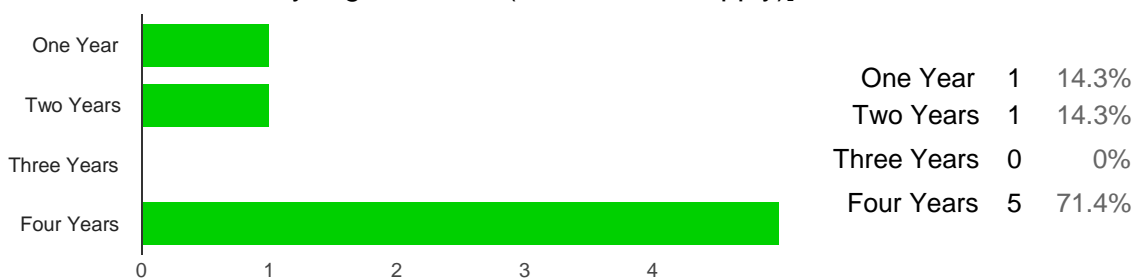


Panther Marching Band [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]

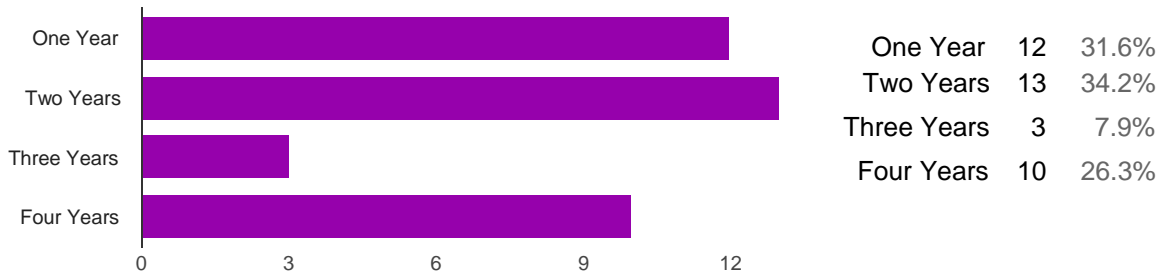


Jazz Ensemble [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]

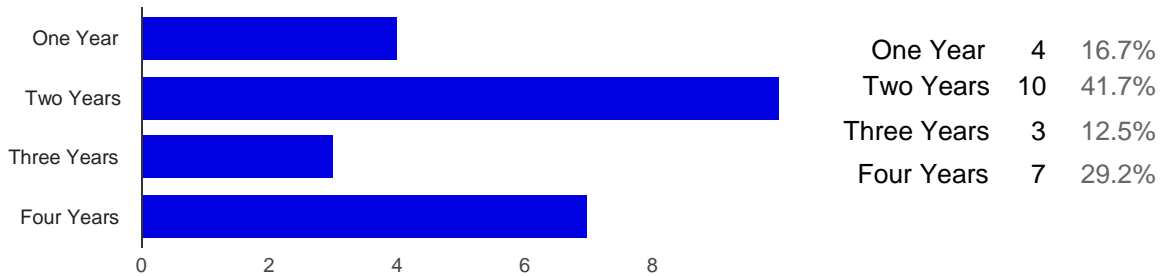
Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]



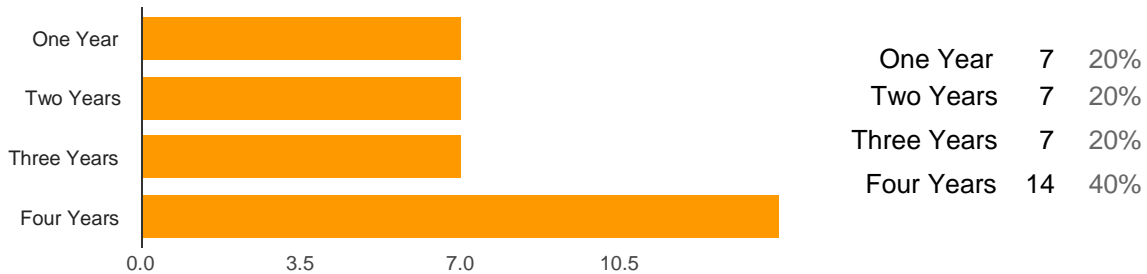
Fall Sport [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]



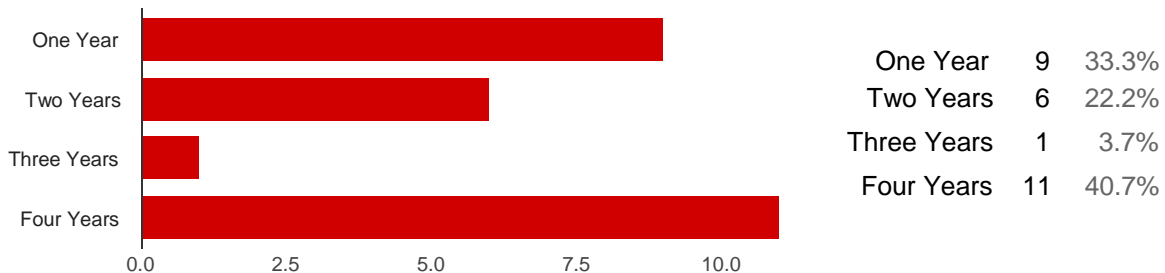
Winter Sport [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]



Spring Sport [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]

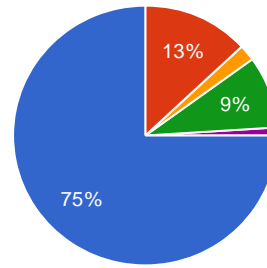


None [Did you participate in any extra-curricular activities while at Quakertown Community High School? (check all that apply)]



Which of the following best describes your current status?

4 year college or university	75	75%
2 year college or university	13	13%
Military	2	2%
Full Time Employment	9	9%
Vocational, Technical, or Trade School	1	1%
Unemployed	0	0%
Other	0	0%

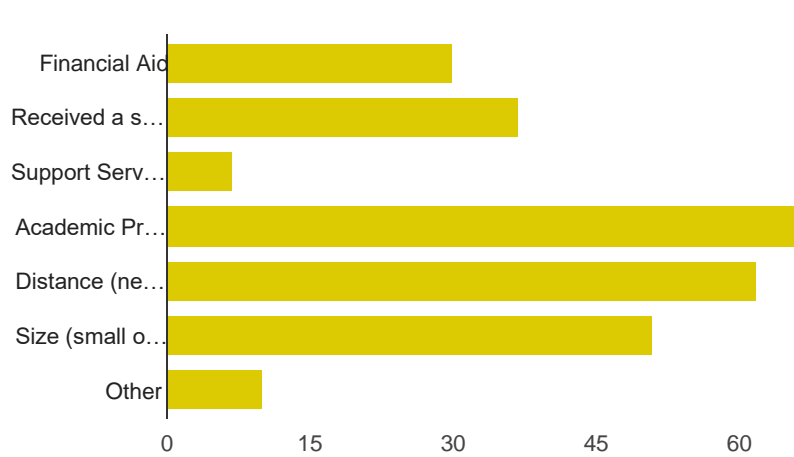


4 year, 2 year college or university, technical school or career training

What school or program are you enrolled in?

Alvernia University	Indiana University of Pennsylvania (2)	Philadelphia University
Ball State University	Kutztown University (5)	Rensselaer polytechnic institute
Bloomsburg University (3)	La Salle University	Shippensburg (3)
Bryn Athyn College	Lehigh Carbon Community College	SUNYESF
Bucks County Community College (5)	Liberty University	Syracuse University
Cedar Crest College	Loyola University Maryland	Temple (5)
Cedarville university	Lycoming College	University of Pennsylvania
Delaware Valley University (2)	Middlebury College	University of Pittsburgh (2)
DeSales University	Millersville University	Vanderbilt University
East Stroudsburg University	Moravian college (4)	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Eastern University	Muhlenberg College	West Chester University
Elizabethtown College	Northampton County Community College (3)	Westminster Choir College
Florida state university	Penn State University (5)	Widener University
Harcum College	Pennsylvania College of Technology	Wilson College

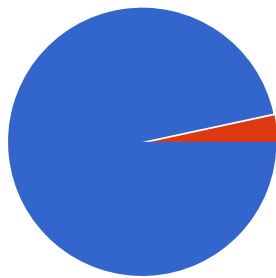
I chose this school because of the:



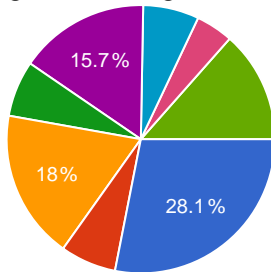
Financial Aid	30	33.7%
Received a scholarship	37	41.6%
Support Services	7	7.9%
Academic Programs	67	75.3%
Distance (near or far)	62	69.7%
Size (small or large)	51	57.3%
Other	10	11.2%

I am currently enrolled:

Full time (12 credits/4 classes or more)	86	96.6%
Part time (9 credits/ 3 classes or less)	3	3.4%



My major or program belongs in the following category:

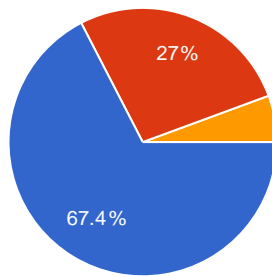


STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)	25	28.1%
Art, music, and dance (including music and music production)	6	6.7%
Business and Marketing	16	18%
Liberal Arts (English, history, etc)	6	6.7%
Social Sciences (sociology, psychology, education, etc)	14	15.7%
I am still undecided	6	6.7%
A job specific program	4	4.5%
Other	12	13.5%

If your response to the prior question was a job specific program or other, please specify below.

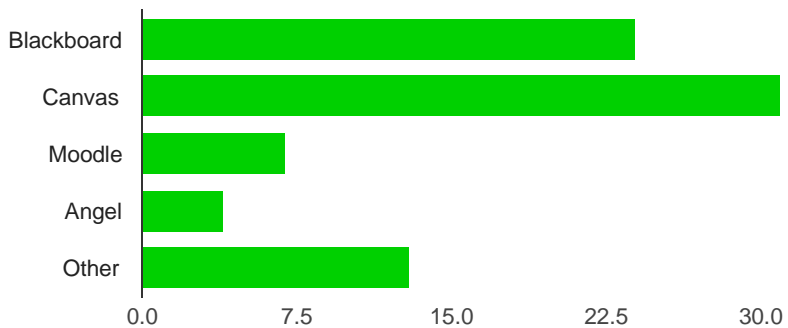
Nursing	Law Efda pre law
Secondary Spanish teacher	Film
Vet tech	Health policy and administration
Graphic Design	Accounting
Psychology/ Pre PT	Health Administration
Art education	

Has any of your coursework been completed online or in a blended model?



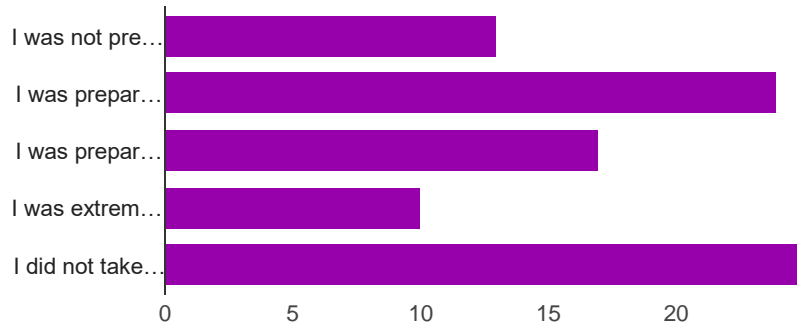
Yes	60	67.4%
No	24	27%
Unsure	5	5.6%

If yes, which Learning Management Systems or platform did you use?



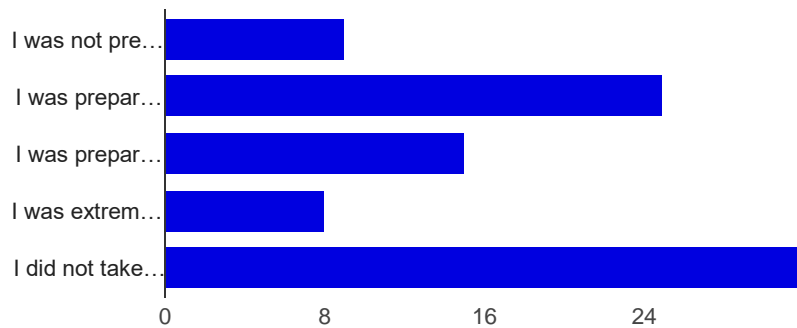
Blackboard	24	35.8%
Canvas	31	46.3%
Moodle	7	10.4%
Angel	4	6%
Other	13	19.4%

Math [If you took a course this semester in any of the following areas, please indicate how well QCHS prepared you for studies in these areas:]



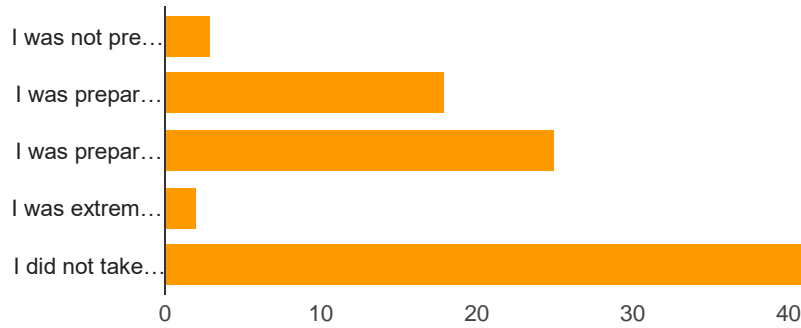
I was not prepared at all	13	14.6%
I was prepared fairly well	24	27%
I was prepared very well	17	19.1%
I was extremely well prepared-more than many of my peers	10	11.2%
I did not take a course in this area	25	28.1%

Science [If you took a course this semester in any of the following areas, please indicate how well QCHS prepared you for studies in these areas:]



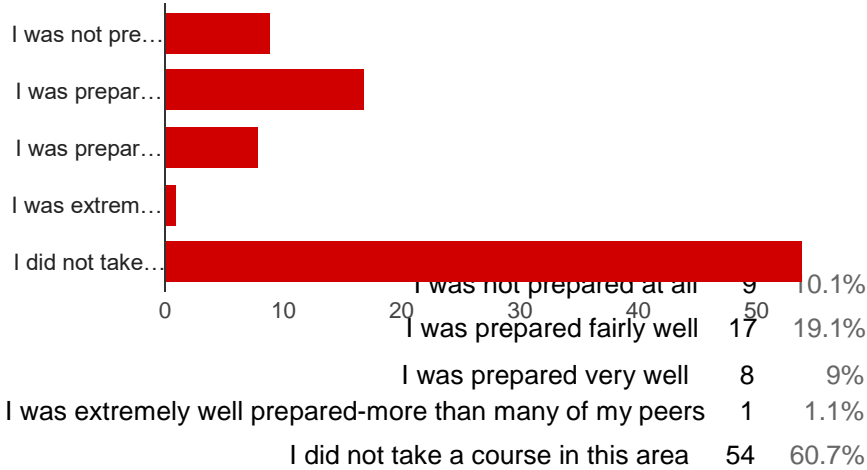
I was not prepared at all	9	10.1%
I was prepared fairly well	25	28.1%
I was prepared very well	15	16.9%
I was extremely well prepared-more than many of my peers	8	9%
I did not take a course in this area	32	36%

History [If you took a course this semester in any of the following areas, please indicate how well QCHS prepared you for studies in these areas:]



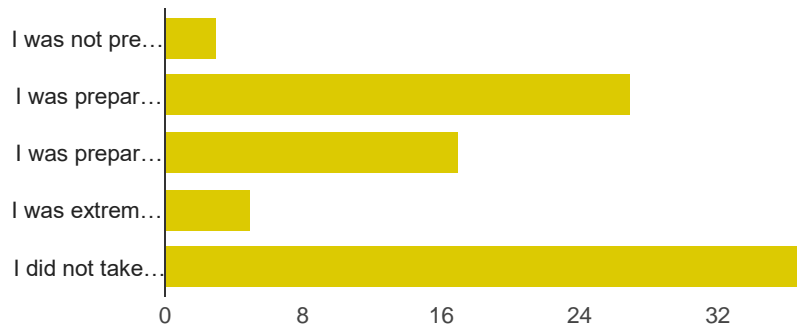
I was not prepared at all	3	3.4%
I was prepared fairly well	18	20.2%
I was prepared very well	25	28.1%
I was extremely well prepared-more than many of my peers	2	2.2%
I did not take a course in this area	41	46.1%

Geography [If you took a course this semester in any of the following areas, please indicate how well QCHS prepared you for studies in these areas:]



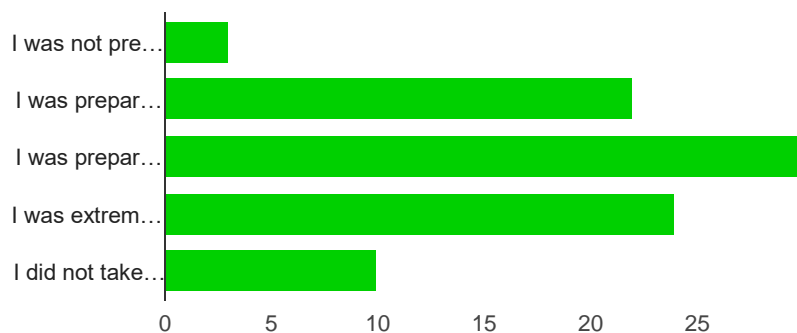
I was not prepared at all	9	10.1%
I was prepared fairly well	17	19.1%
I was prepared very well	8	9%
I was extremely well prepared-more than many of my peers	1	1.1%
I did not take a course in this area	54	60.7%

Social Science [If you took a course this semester in any of the following areas, please indicate how well QCHS prepared you for studies in these areas:]



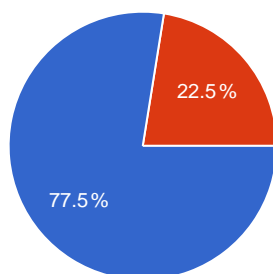
I was not prepared at all	3	3.4%
I was prepared fairly well	27	30.3%
I was prepared very well	17	19.1%
I was extremely well prepared-more than many of my peers	5	5.6%
I did not take a course in this area	37	41.6%

Writing [If you took a course this semester in any of the following areas, please indicate how well QCHS prepared you for studies in these areas:]



I was not prepared at all	3	3.4%
I was prepared fairly well	22	24.7%
I was prepared very well	30	33.7%
I was extremely well prepared-more than many of my peers	24	27%
I did not take a course in this area	10	11.2%

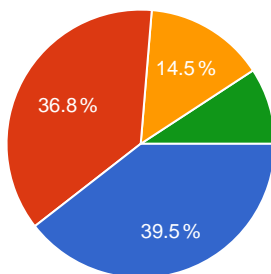
Did you take any AP or college level classes in HS?



Yes 69 77.5%

No 20 22.5%

If you answered yes to the above question, how many credits were awarded by your college/university?



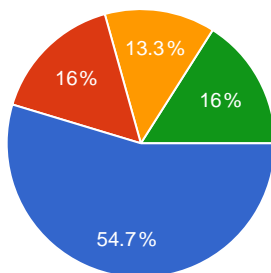
0 30 39.5%

1-6 28 36.8%

7-12 11 14.5%

More than 12 7 9.2%

If you answered yes to taking AP classes in HS, for how many courses at your college/university were you able to receive advanced placement?



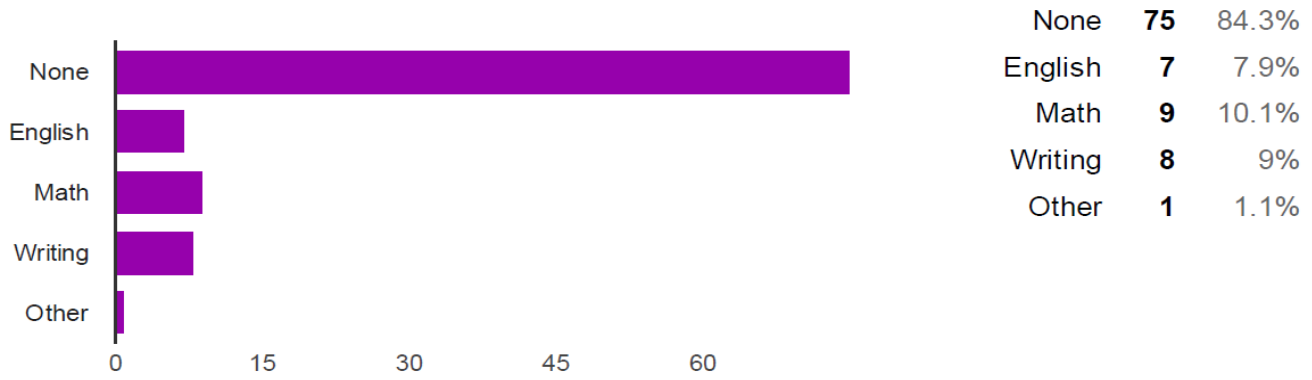
0 classes 41 54.7%

1 class 12 16%

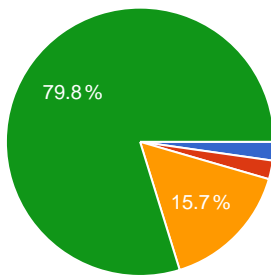
2 classes 10 13.3%

3 classes or more 12 16%

I am currently taking the following remedial or non-credit courses



Based on my grades so far this semester, I expect my GPA to be:



0-1.0	2	2.2%
1.1-2.0	2	2.2%
2.1-3.0	14	15.7%
3.0-4.0	71	79.8%

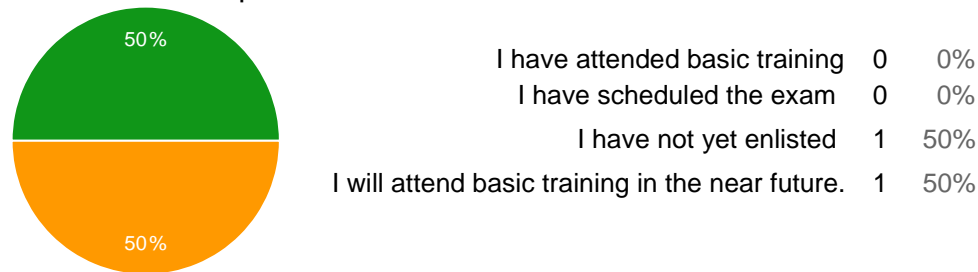
Military Enlistment

I have or will enlist with the

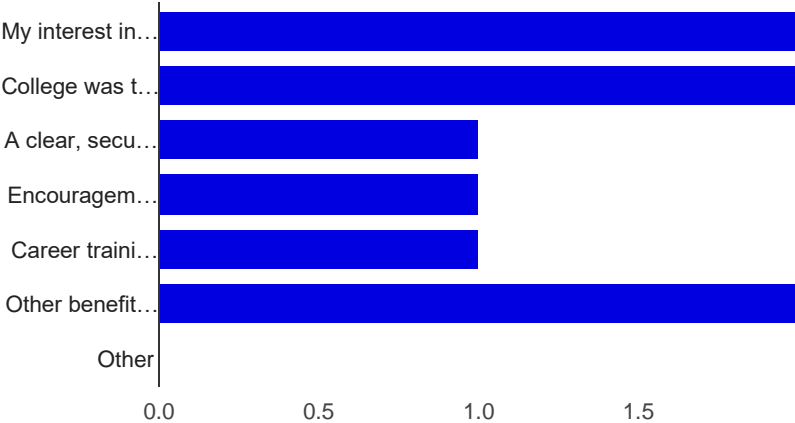
Army

Marines

Where are you in the enlistment process?

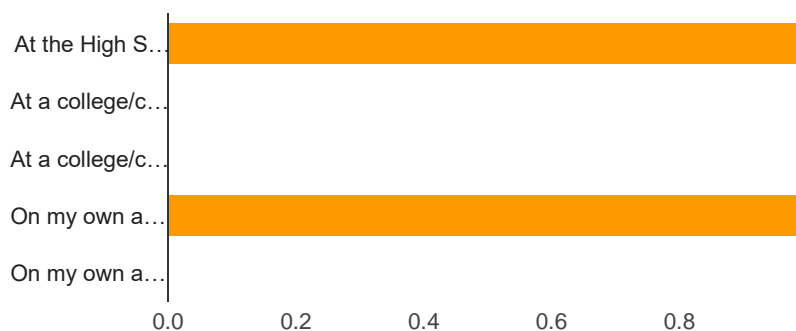


I chose to enlist in the military because of:



My interest in military service	2	100%
College was too expensive	2	100%
A clear, secure career path	1	50%
Encouragement from family	1	50%
Career training opportunities	1	50%
Other benefits including income, health insurance, and college tuition	2	100%
Other	0	0%

Where did you first meet your recruiter?

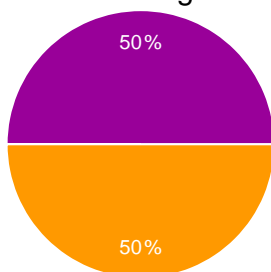


At the High School while I was a student	1	50%
At a college/career fair while I was a student	0	0%
At a college/career fair after I graduated	0	0%
On my own at a recruitment office while I was a student	1	50%
On my own at a recruitment office after I graduated	0	0%

So far, military service has been

Exactly as I expected it	1	50%
Easier than I expected	0	0%
Harder than I expected	0	0%
I have not enlisted yet	1	50%

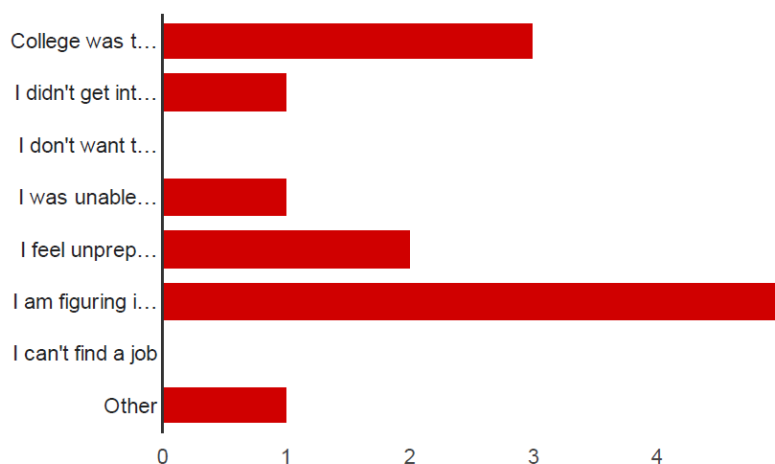
Do you plan to enroll in college or career and technical training in the future?



Yes, career or technical training in 1-3 years	0	0%
Yes, career or technical training in 4-6 years	0	0%
Yes, college in 1-3 years	1	50%
Yes, college in 4-6 years	0	0%
No, I do not intend to enroll in college or training	1	50%

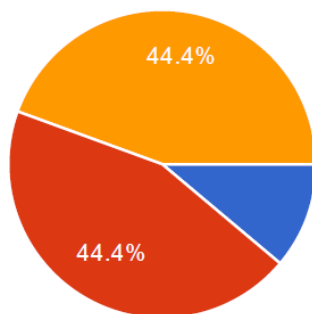
Workforce

I chose to enter the workforce because



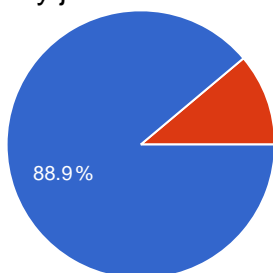
College was too expensive	3	33.3%
I didn't get into the college of my choice	1	11.1%
I don't want to go to college	0	0%
I was unable to pass the entrance/placement tests	1	11.1%
I feel unprepared for college	2	22.2%
I am figuring it out as I go	5	55.6%
I can't find a job	0	0%
Other	1	11.1%

Currently, I work _____ hours per week



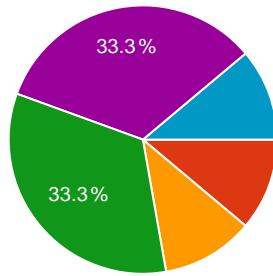
1-24	1	11.1%
25-35	4	44.4%
36 or more	4	44.4%

I feel as though my job



Is good for right now	8	88.9%
Will lead to a better job in the future	1	11.1%
Is what I want to do for a living	0	0%

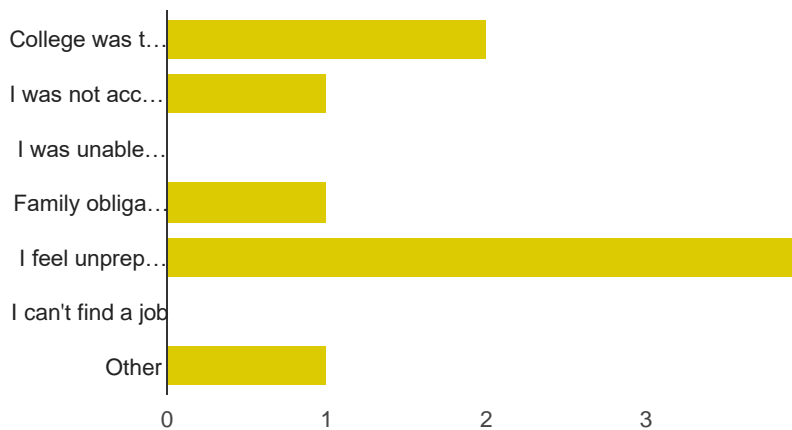
Do you plan to enroll in college, career or technical training in the future?



Yes, career or technical training in the spring	0	0%
Yes, career or technical training next fall	1	11.1%
Yes, college in the spring	1	11.1%
Yes, college next fall	3	33.3%
Yes, but not right now	3	33.3%
No, I do not intend to enroll in college or training	1	11.1%

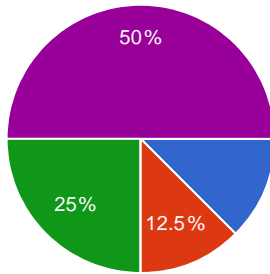
Not Enrolled and Not Currently Working

I am not enrolled and not currently working because:



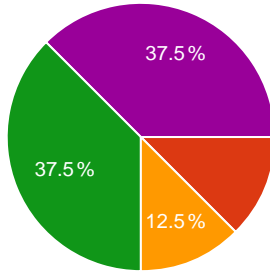
College was too expensive	2	25%
I was not accepted to the school of my choice	1	12.5%
I was unable to pass the entrance/ placement tests	0	0%
Family obligations	1	12.5%
I feel unprepared for college	4	50%
I can't find a job	0	0%
Other	1	12.5%

Where have you looked for help to make your next step?



College Advisor	1	12.5%
Family members	1	12.5%
Mentor	0	0%
Friends	2	25%
No one	4	50%
Other	0	0%

Do you plan to enroll in college or career and technical training in the future?

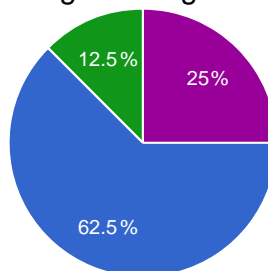


Yes, career and technical training in the spring	0	0%
Yes, career and technical training next fall	1	12.5%
Yes, college in the spring	1	12.5%
Yes, college next fall	3	37.5%
Yes, but not right now.	3	37.5%
No, I do not intend to enroll in the future.	0	0%

Future Enrollment

What will be the biggest challenge to enrolling in college or technical school in the future?

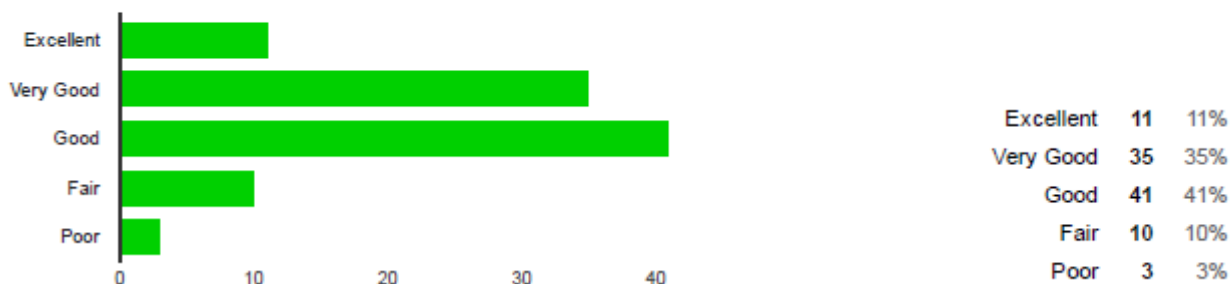
Money	5	62.5%
Family Responsibilities	0	0%
My skills	0	0%
Knowing how or when to apply	1	12.5%
Choosing a program	2	25%
Other	0	0%



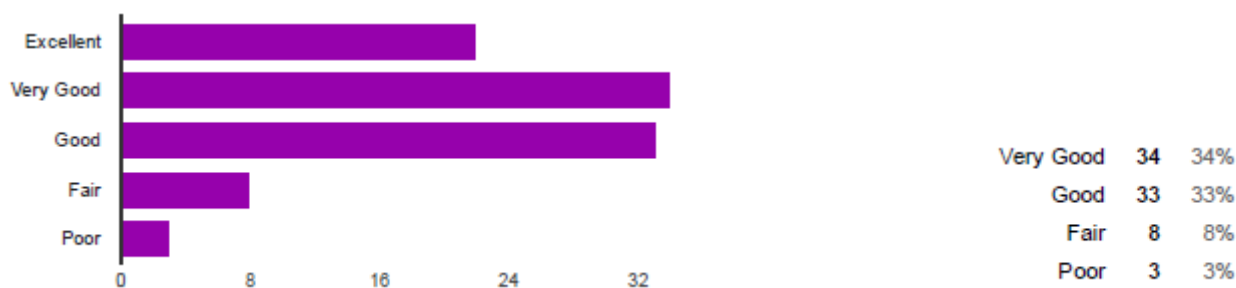
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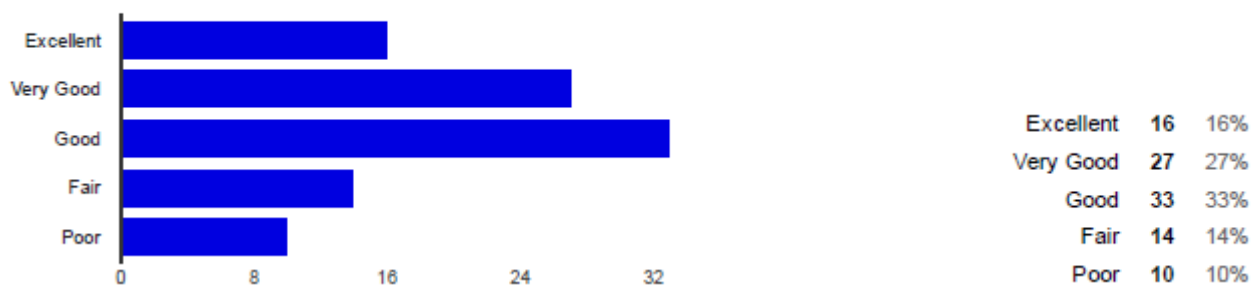
Content Knowledge [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



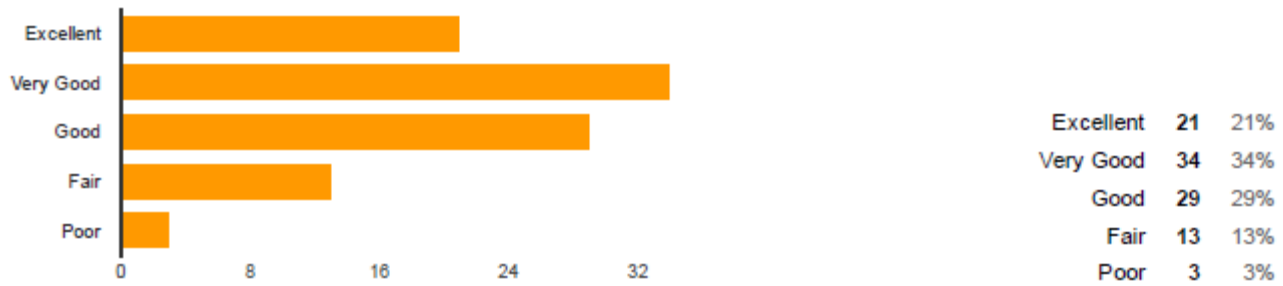
Reading [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



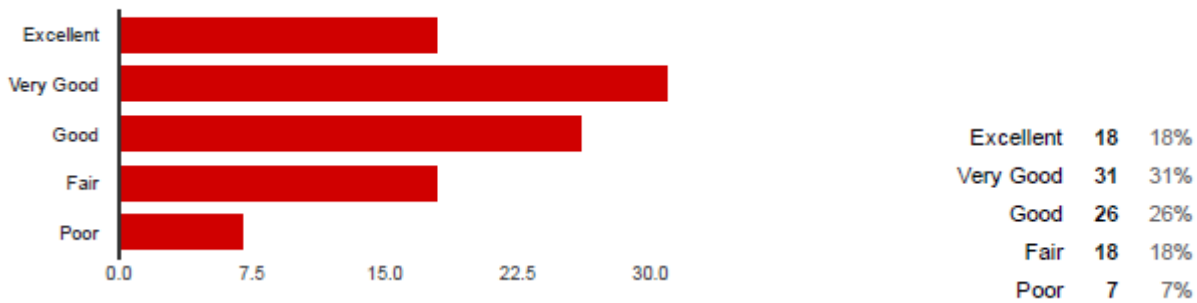
Oral Communication [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



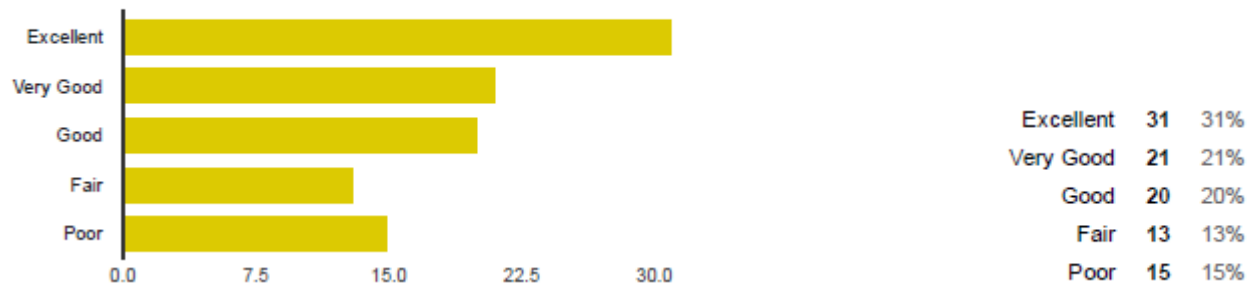
Written Communication [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



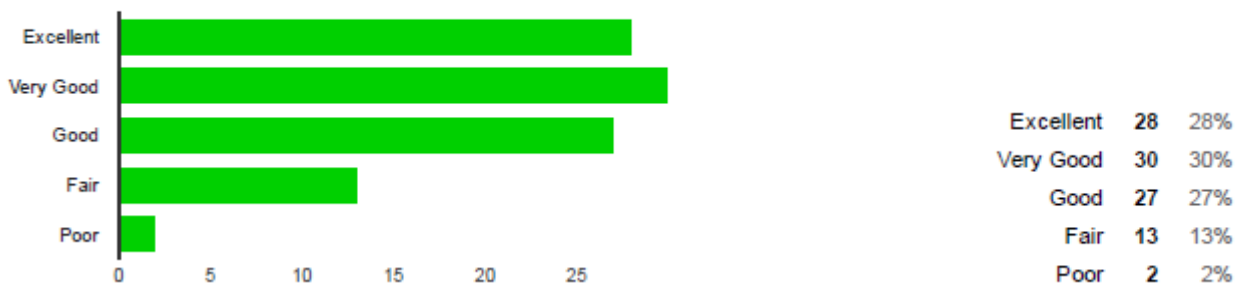
Problem Solving [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



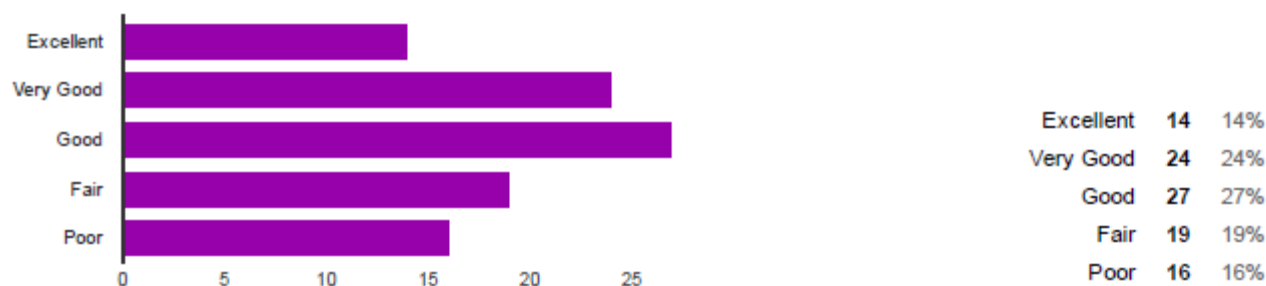
Work Ethic [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



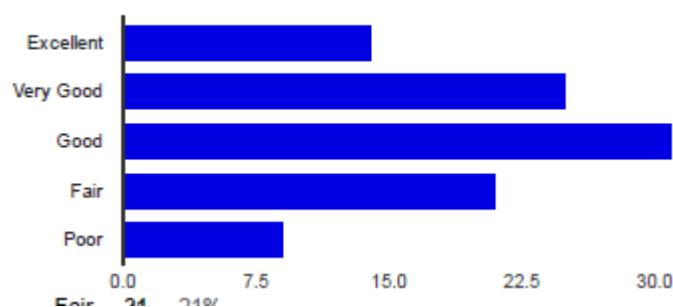
Use of Technology [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



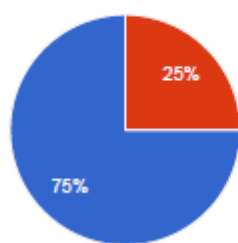
Cultural Appreciation [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



College/ Career Preparation [Please indicate how well QCHS prepared you in each of the following areas for your current post-graduate work or studies:]



Do you feel that QCHS as a whole prepared you for your post-secondary plans?



Yes	75	75%
No	25	25%

Please explain your above response.

The ball was dropped not in biology and anatomy but chemistry and some bio. (Depending on the teacher.) math could be improved by again reviewing some teachers that need to be replaced and allowing others to approach more topics at a quicker pace. I felt like I was always pushed back even though I could have done better.
College was nothing how high school made me believe. Time management and self assessment needs to be taught as well as placing emphasis on the content learned and not grades. I felt like the classes were hard because I was not taught how to study for each subject. High school seemed to just try to get me through the system while college is actually trying to teach me about the world and its inhabitants.
It gave me some necessary tools required to be successful in college. However, I also feel that I was always a quick learner and disregarded many lessons in high school because as we all know school is boring.
If a student puts effort into their academics at QCHS, they have the tools to succeed in college. QCHS prepared me well for a very difficult engineering program at a prestigious institution.
They prepared me but the lack of money made it difficult to go to college
The classes in QCHS prepared me.
I had a good foundation of knowledge for my beginning classes.
I felt prepared going into my courses.
Successfully prepared me for both the workforce and college life.
My ap teachers perpared me the most for classes
I believe that the atmosphere of assignments due online and throughout the semester prepared me for college classes. However, I feel the rigor is so much less then that of college, so the high school could step that up. I wish that the high school would have a better way to teach us to "study" for assignments to help us feel more prepared.
In my two English classes I was not prepared at all for how college teaches me how to write. I was never taught how to source something or cite it in an essay.
Needs more about the future and giving students a taste of what college and the future would be like
They did not
I feel as though writing is the most important thing and QCHS prepared me through AP and honors level rigorous courses.
Studying wise, I believe I was prepared to the extent that I needed to be. Especially in computer science, which is my major. Without that year of prior knowledge I do think it would have been much harder. Other than that the only thing I did not feel completely prepared for was being thrown into a group people and having to make friends with them.
Improved life skills
I felt like the workload of AP was harder than my course work this past semester
I am doing fine in college, I know how to do homework and study.
QCHS always strived for the best!

While attending QHS I learned many skills that I use in class today; taking notes, work ethic, essay writing, multiple choice, etc.
I feel as if I was prepared; however, I did not feel prepared with APA format, oral presentations, and for the "real world."
In work ethic yes but not in actual learned content
The intensity of the AP courses allowed me to feel prepared for the amount of coursework I faced once I got to college. Having finals in high school was a big help considering the finals in college are difficult. Overall, Quakertown did a pretty good job preparing me for college, and it did not take long to adjust to the type of work college professors expect.
I have been able to handle any problem I have come across so far.
N/a
QCHS offered lots of different programs and classes that allowed me to learn and helped prepare me for college.
College is completely different than highschool. Highschool is to long and college courses don't give you the time to listen and fully understand the problem or question. In High school you get All the time to understand your teacher, when in college you don't .
QCHS prepared me for college in ways such as technology, study skills, and basic writing and reading skills.
I took a lot of art classes that are now helping me have more understanding in the classes at college
QCHS has some great teachers that really care about their students. Having these teachers have driven me to my dream career. Some teachers however need to be reevaluated. Some teachers do not prepare a student for college. I am glad to have had some great teachers [NAMES OMITTED]
I enjoyed my time at QCHS despite the renovations and rather ugly design of the renovated school. Throughout my entire highschool career there was never a teacher who I didn't end up respecting and liking by the end of the year. The teachers who deserve the most credit and that I enjoyed the most being [NAMES OMITTED]. Great school, great curriculum. Any problem that a student records is not the schools fault but the students fault.
A lot of my core classes that I took AP in more than prepared me for college based on how much more was taught in them compared to other high schools across the nation.
The work load was very appropriate to prepare me for college
They taught me how to get good grades and work through my problems
I was prepared because I took harder classes.
Many opportunities like UBCTS
I'm just not ready for college.
QCHS focuses too much on test scores, and not enough on preparation for life outside of school.
It did all that high school can to prepare someone for college.
Quakertown taught me the basis that I needed to know for college, and college then allowed me to advance my prior knowledge.

The advanced placement classes offered at Quakertown prepared me well for college courses
im behind everyone from other schools
College is a completely different style of learning, high school taught me basic skills but college is where I will be taught the skills I will be using for the rest of my life and in my career.
I feel as if I was prepared, however math in high school was more of a joke with certain teachers [NAMES OMITTED]. I didn't learn anything in the class yet I could pass the tests. College I wasn't prepared for math because I felt as if I was behind for not learning a year of math basically..
They helped me with preparing for my basic courses
College did not take me by surprise. I still have to work on my time management skills, but I knew what I was getting into when I went.
I felt that QCHS challenged me enough in High School to properly prepare me for the college workload. I felt comfortable in the fast paced classes and the large amount of work required in college.
I feel like with how much I did during high school and the difficulty and environment, I was very prepared for my college classes and experience.
Going to ubtech got job ready
English class really helped with writing and the school really pushed you to going to a good school
Taking AP courses prepared me for the work load in college
For the most part I felt prepared.
I think QCHS did a wonderful job preparing me for the future.
I feel that my classes at QCHS prepared me well for my college courses taken so far
In high school I thought that we would write more for assignments. In college I write in every class like 5 page research papers. If QCHS has put more research papers like 5-8 pages then I would be more prepared.
Great teachers, great atmosphere, really encouraged personal growth and academic success.
Provided a general level of preparation
I was able to carry over the habits I had in high school to prepare for class and exams. Some of the content we learned did carry over to my classes. The use of technology helped a lot since I have to go online to look at some of my course material and for some classes.
I feel well prepared but by not having final exams for most of my high school career, I felt very uneasy finishing up my first semester.
QCHS prepared me for college well because the skills I acquired during my four years carried through to college and allowed me to succeed.
I felt confident going into college with everything QCHS prepared me with. Some things definitely could have been stronger, but overall I was ready and had a successful first semester.

The effort I put into going to QCHS is what prepared me for my college workload, which has been quite strenuous nevertheless. Using Blackboard at college really was not something that required preparation to use, though doing some assignments online at QCHS to get used to that style was nice. Although above I put yes, there are many things at college that high schools in general will never be able to teach (the first that comes to mind is the seriousness of collegiate plagiarism).
I felt well prepared for the work load of college.
QCHS helped me with preparing for college by helping me with challenging me in some of my core classes, choosing a college, and getting financial aid.
I only think qchs prepared me in the four main courses and I only ended up taking one math and two English's, for everything else I was prepared myself
The school overall is more focused on getting kids the high test scores, rather than actually preparing them for real life.
I know how to worth well with others in order to go far in life
I was not overwhelmed at college at all. In fact it felt very much like taking my high school ap classes.
no info on work force
It gave me a good indication of college and how to prepare for it.
Helped me with study skills and knowledge
Yes.
I feel as though I lacked more skills and knowledge than most of my peers in college. I worked very hard in high school and still do in college, but not having finals all my years in high school really screwed me over for college since I didn't understand how to study for it and that's what a majority of my grade is. I felt unprepared for everything no matter how much I tried to study.
The school when I attended it was more concerned about making quotas and achieving it's goals than helping me discover and achieve any reasonable standards post "education". I felt only a small minority of faculty cared about me at all and even considered me as anything more than a means to keep there job. Futhermore the sports teams and other extra curriculum was on the whole poorly managed and only kept the ignorant or the obligated involved (myself being the latter). With all that being said this school is and was hardly that, considered major changes if you'd like to genuinely earn the tax dollars you recieve.
Planning for the future seem to be the big aspect in high school but there was more of a learning the materials to pass the keystones or due well on standardized testing. Then helping/ teaching the skill needed to be a college student.
I went into college well prepared with an understanding what college courses are like. Many of my AP courses in high school were harder than my courses in college.
During the start of our senior year, [NAME OMITTED]mentioned the renovations giving us a school we can be proud of. But the school was never the problem. Look at north penn, souderton, any highschool general considered to be "better." They dont have new shiny schools, they have better education. Our math and science departments could use some shaping up
I received help from counselors at UBCTS
Yes, but when I got to college it was extremely different. I think QCHS should do more college preparation for seniors.

I believe that QCHS did prepare me, however what they prepared me for isn't what I went to do.
Classes prepared me in a way that was helpful in my college classes, it was an easy transition
I believe I was prepared well enough in the knowledge I needed to know prior to my college courses, and I have nearly no complaints. I just wish that our classes in high school gave us more responsibility to learn the material ourselves because in some college classes I realized that the majority of learning is done outside of class. High school classes dont compare, and I wasn't prepared, in some ways, for the workload in college.
Overall, yes it prepared me. However, there are areas that need improvement.
Taking AP classes provided me with the work ethic and ability to excel in my honors courses in college. Also, the ample amount of extracurricular activities allowed me to discover my interests.
Qcsd didnt help me with anything. I cant say i learned much of anything there. 6 months after graduating, i've never felt more unprepared for my life. Its like i didnt even go to school, im almost illiterate these days.
I feel as if things should be focused on how it goes in the real world and not this fake world they portray it to be like. The main focus should be the understanding of things being taught not rushed for a standardized tests!
I'm doing well at my current institution. Obviously, the college workload is different than your average high school student's; nonetheless, QCHS has aided me with my studies overall.
My teachers inspired me to work hard. I also learned how to write and read efficiently in AP Literature senior year. AP AB Calculus also placed me in a higher math that I succeeded in getting an A in at college.
QCHS gave me a good academic education in order to be prepared academically for college. However I was not prepared for living away at college, living in a city environment, and how to be independent. Those are things QCHS did not teach me.
Qcsd has not spent time preparing students for their future! This school district would rather prepare students for standardized testing and end week quizzes. Honestly I did not dislike my experience, but it did little to prepare myself or my fellow students for what college or other real life work places are.
It's hard to plan for the rigor of a university style education due to the variation in each professors teaching and the lack of necessary work comparing college to high school. I think all AP classes should assign more homework via online submission.
The thing that most prepared me for college was definitely the AP classes I took. They were the only thing that semi resembles how college is going so far regarding course load.
I believe that they did anything possible to open up experiences for all of us and explore secondary plans.
I feel very behind in my math and science courses. I also learned nothing important about finance in high school that could help me. I am also struggling to study and ask for help in subjects since I wasn't taught how or when to.
Yes QCHS prepared me for secondary plans, but I just wish they would educate us more on how to pay bills, pay taxes, balance checkbooks, achieve "good credit" etc. These are the things we will need to know during and post college education.
College was so much different than high school we weren't prepared for any of it

I feel okay about everything content wise and how to dissect and interpret problems given to me, I just lack motivation to do them because of the fact that a revision system even exists.
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Yes they preper good
