WEST HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

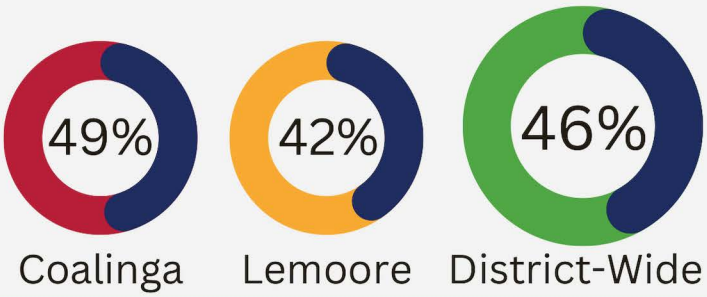
Student Basic Needs - RealCollege Survey

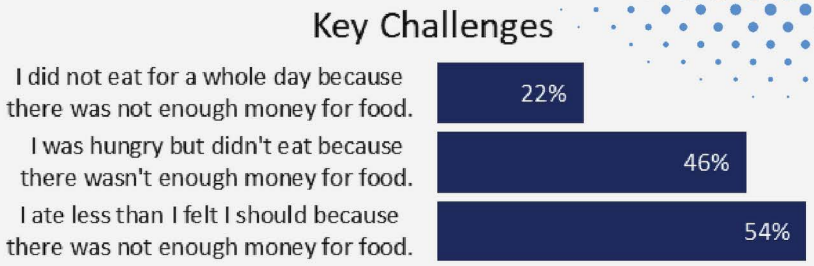
The RealCollege survey is the nation's largest annual assessment of student basic needs. In spring 2023 both West Hills College Coalinga and West Hills College Lemoore fielded this survey received 431 responses from students from across the District.

Food Insecurity

Food insecurity is the limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate and safe food, or the ability to acquire such food in a socially acceptable manner.

Percentage of students experiencing food insecurity in the past 30 days:

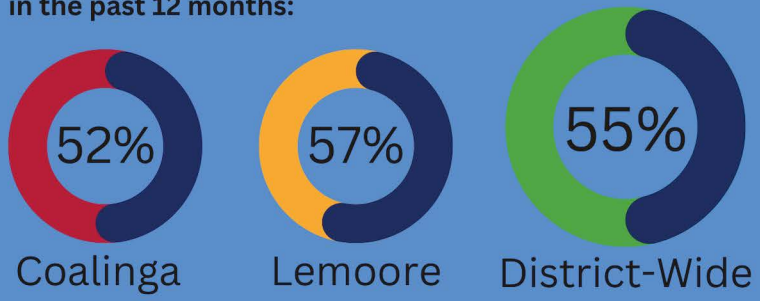


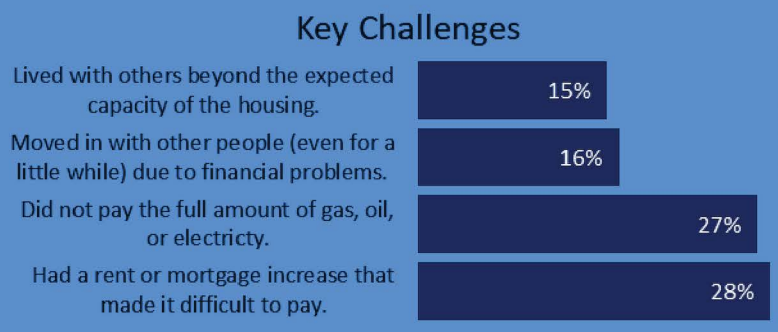


Housing Insecurity

Housing insecurity includes a broad set of challenges such as the inability to pay rent or utilities, or the need to move frequently.

Percentage of students experiencing housing insecurity in the past 12 months:

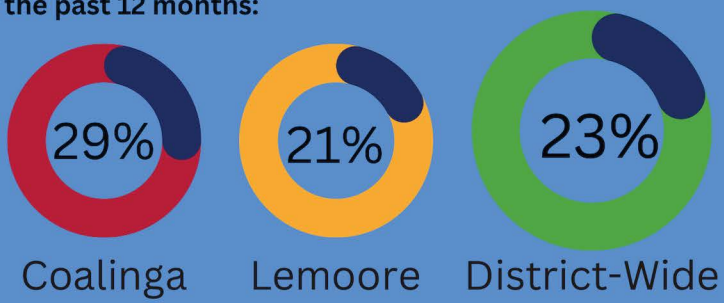


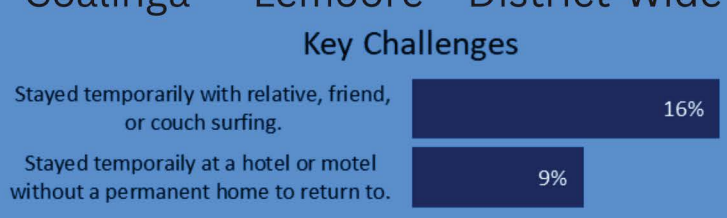


Homelessness

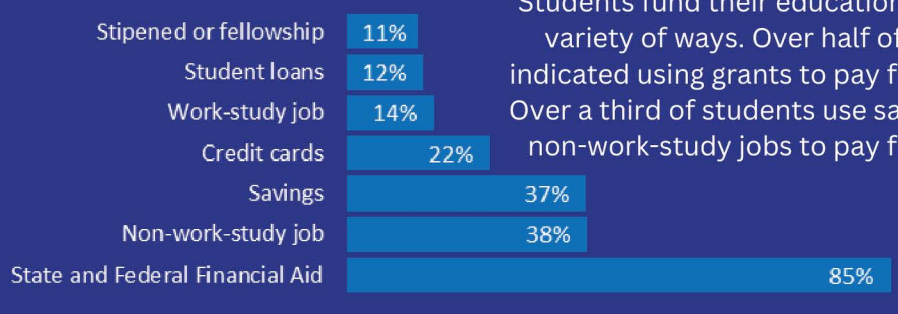
Homelessness means that a person does not have a stable place to live. Students were identified as homeless if they responded affirmatively to a question asking if they had been homeless or if they identified living conditions that are considered signs of homelessness (e.g., couch surfing, living somewhere not meant for habitation).

Percentage of students experiencing homelessness in the past 12 months:





Paying for School



Students fund their education in a wide variety of ways. Over half of students indicated using grants to pay for school. Over a third of students use savings and non-work-study jobs to pay for school.

For more detailed college, district, state data from the RealCollege survey, visit: https://westhills.cc/413zvxR

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