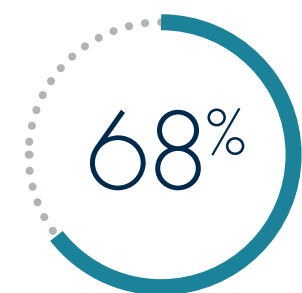


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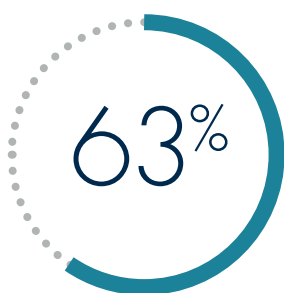
ON HIGHER EDUCATION 2019

A recent poll of 600 registered Tennessee voters revealed important perspectives on the current state of higher education in Tennessee.

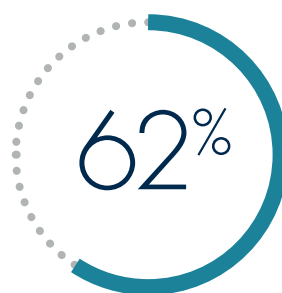
Top obstacles to earning a degree



Job or work responsibilities



Family responsibilities



Cost of a degree



Student loans

What priority level should Governor Bill Lee's administration give to these issues?

Access and affordability of college and technical training



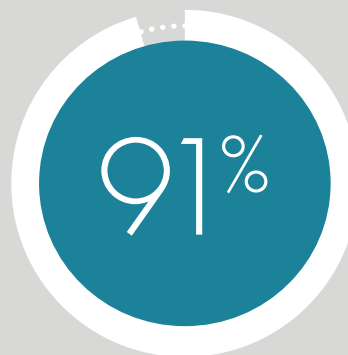
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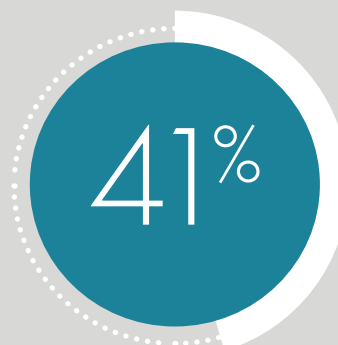
Ability of graduates to succeed in the workplace



OTHER LOW MIDDLE TOP

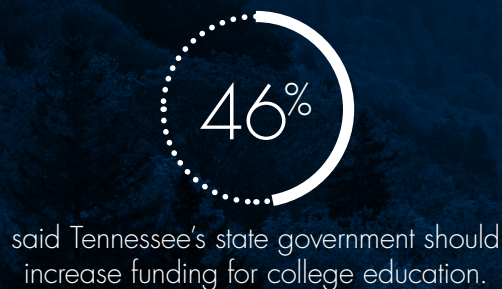
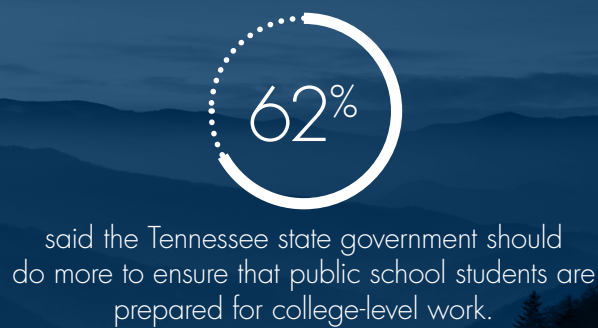
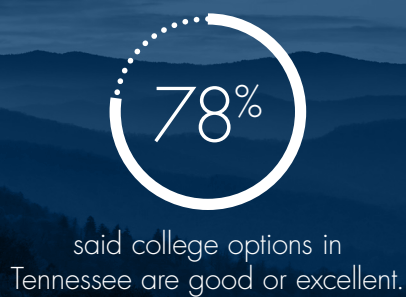


91% said having some form of education after high school is important.



41% said they need more education for the job/career they want.

Should Governor Lee’s administration change the amount of resources dedicated to higher education by the previous administration?



Governor Haslam introduced the Drive to 55 initiative, which seeks to equip 55% of Tennesseans with a postsecondary certificate by 2025. Should Governor Lee continue this initiative?

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| Strengthen it | 41% |
| Keep it as is | 36% |
| Replace it with a new approach | 12% |
| End it entirely | 4% |
| Don't know/Declined | 8% |

