## Parent & Family Pulse Poll – April 2014: Supporting Your Student

Results (41 responses)

| My student is a:    |                     |                   |
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| Answer Options      | Response<br>Percent | Response<br>Count |
| High school student | 4.9%                | 2                 |
| Freshman            | 36.6%               | 15                |
| Sophomore           | 29.3%               | 12                |
| Junior              | 19.5%               | 8                 |
| Senior              | 9.8%                | 4                 |
| Grad student        | 0.0%                | 0                 |

I have done the following to support my student during the last academic year (please select all that apply):

| Answer Options   | Response<br>Percent | Response<br>Count |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|
| Let student know about resources on campus to help him/her succeed     | 75.6%               | 31                |
| Attended Family Weekend  | 53.7%               | 22                |
| Paid all or part of my student's tuition                               | 87.8%               | 36                |
| Helped student fill out forms, such as the online application or FAFSA | 73.2%               | 30                |
| Called my student to provide emotional support                         | 95.1%               | 39                |
| Joined the Texas Tech Parents Association                              | 53.7%               | 22                |
| Paid for student's extracurricular activities                          | 70.7%               | 29                |
| Visited student on campus (other than during Family Weekend)           | 68.3%               | 28                |
| Helped student move in   | 82.9%               | 34                |
| Contacted a campus department to get information to help my student    | 36.6%               | 15                |
| Read Parent & Family eNewsletter to keep informed                      | 80.5%               | 33                |
| Sent student a care package  | 70.7%               | 29                |
| Wrote student a letter from home                                       | 36.6%               | 15                |
| Sent student encouraging texts or emails                               | 87.8%               | 36                |
| Other (please specify)   |                     | 4                 |

To support their students, most parents and family members surveyed called their students, sent encouraging texts and/or emails, paid all or part of their students' tuition, helped their students move in, and read the Parent & Family eNews to stay informed.

## Other ways to support your student:

- Encourage your student to get involved on campus, whether through a
  registered student organization, local church, residence halls association
  activities, or academic student group. Students can browse student
  organizations at <a href="http://ttu.orgsync.com/">http://ttu.orgsync.com/</a>.
- Help your student stay on track financially by encouraging him or her to visit
  Red to Black, a free peer financial counselling program located on campus.
  Call 806-742-9781 or visit <a href="http://www.orgs.ttu.edu/r2b/">http://www.orgs.ttu.edu/r2b/</a> to find out more about their services.
- Not sure how to better support your student? Contact Parent & Family Relations at 806-742-3630 or at parent@ttu.edu. We can help!