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2021-2022 Graduate Exit Survey

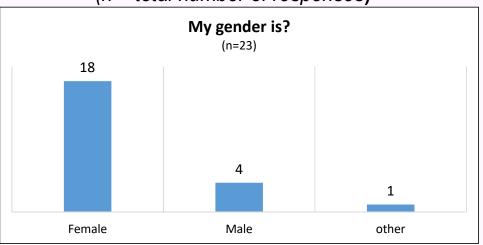
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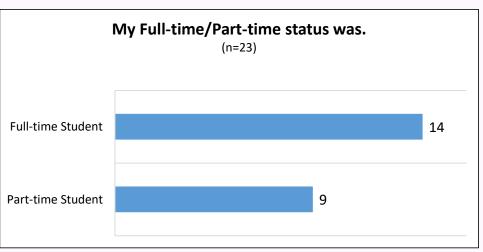
Introduction:

- Throughout the academic year 2021-2022, there were a total of 37 Associate Degrees and 6 Certificates conferred and awarded to students for completing a program of study at TOCC (Tohono O'odham Community College), with one student completing two Associate degree programs for a total of 42 graduates. Of the 42 total graduates, 23 completed the 2022 Graduate Exit Survey.
- The survey has 3-sections titled: Part 1 General Information, Part 2 About the graduates experience at TOCC and Part 3 Future plans and final comments.
- This presentation is comprised of clustered column and bar graphs, titles that identify information being presented and data lables which the count of student responses.. Beside each title, the total number of responses is represented in the form '(n=xx)'.
- Open ended responses are presented in verbatim form.
- The Office of Institutional Effectiveness created and administered the Graduate Exit Survey through Google Forms.

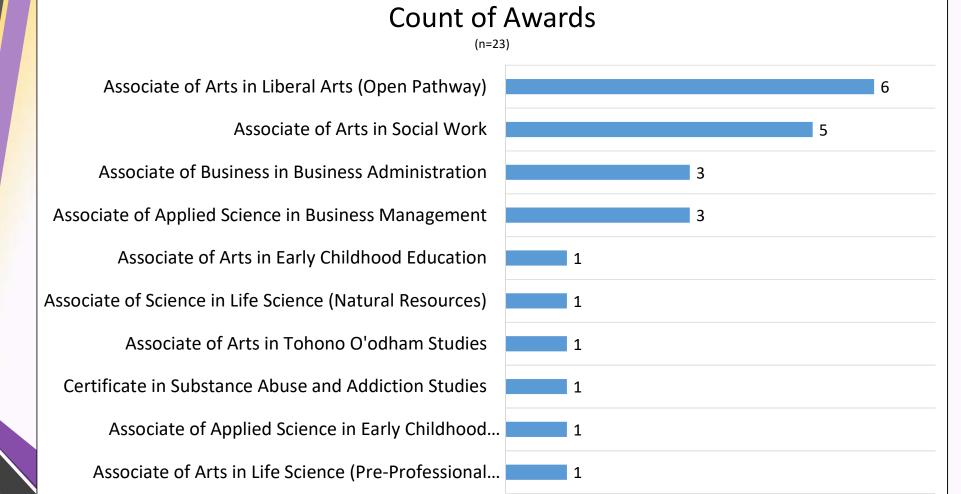
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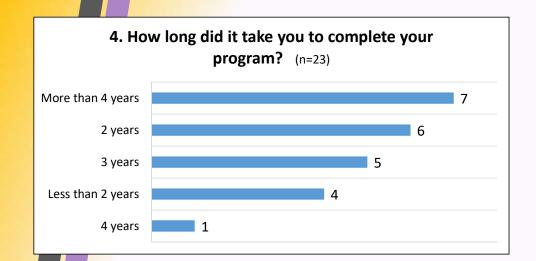
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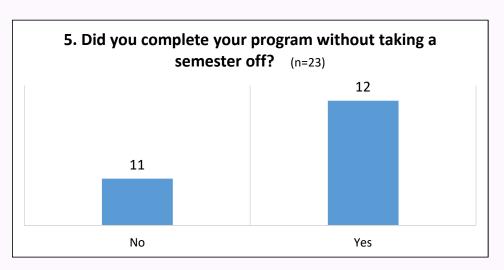


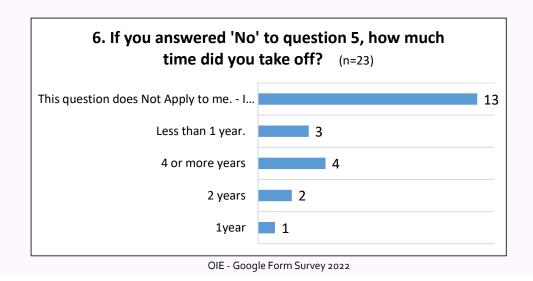


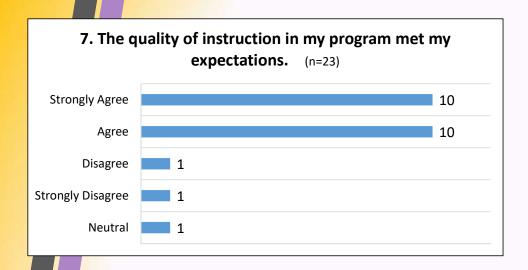
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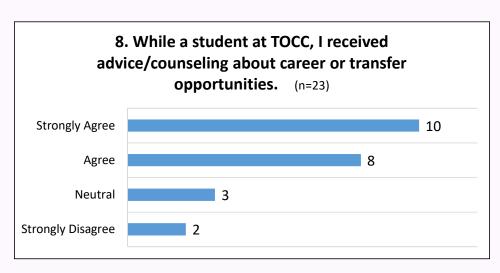


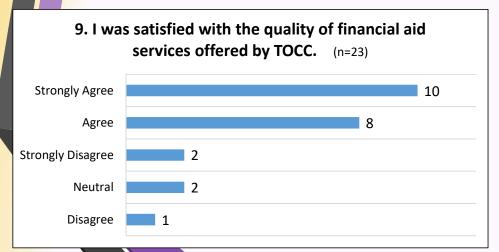


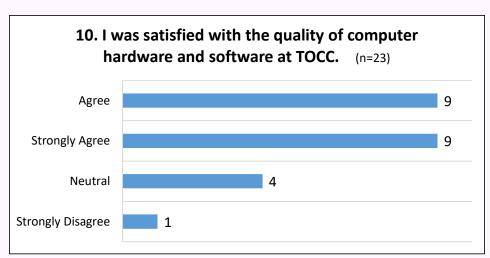


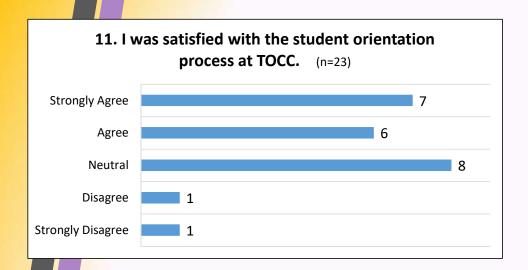


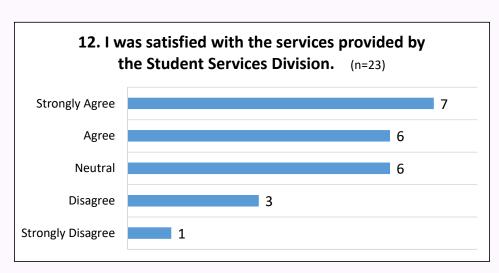


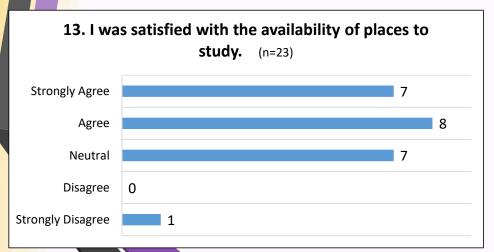


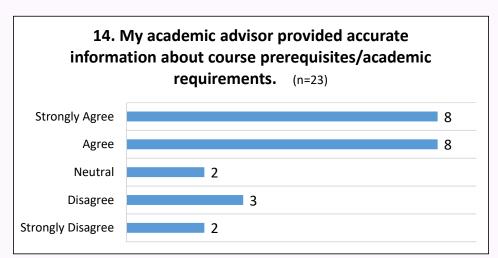


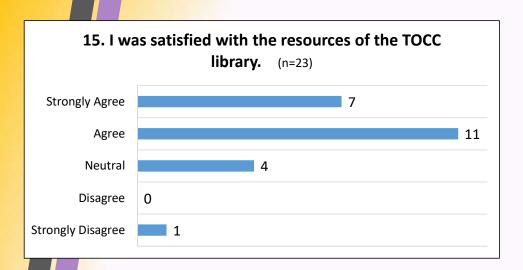


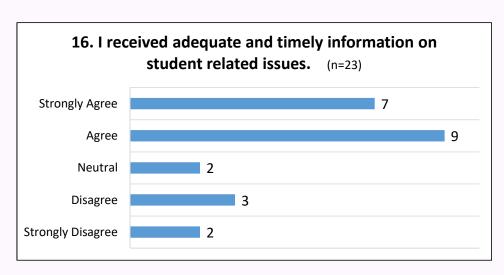


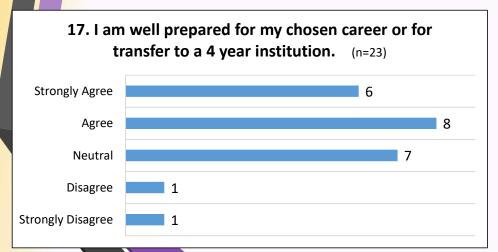


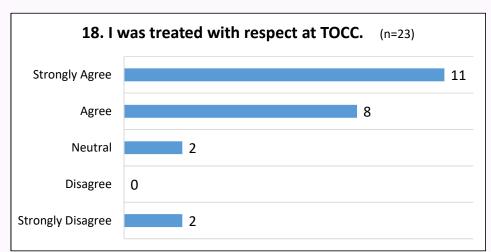


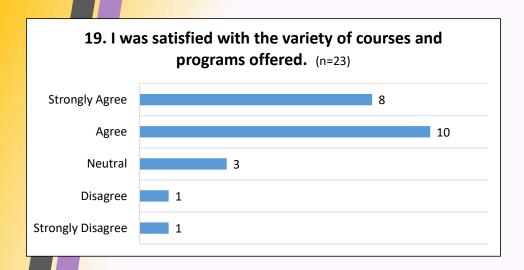


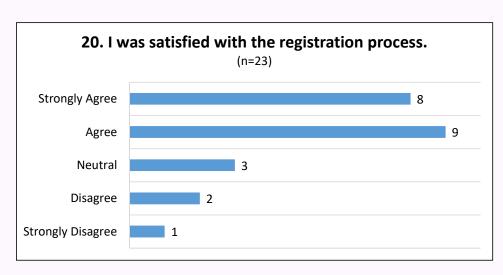


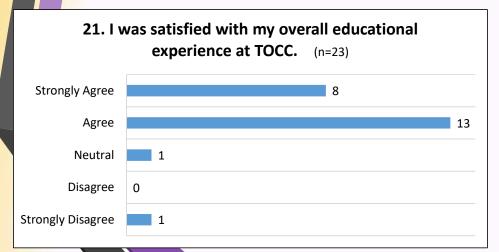


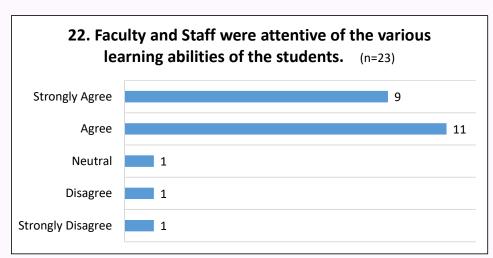


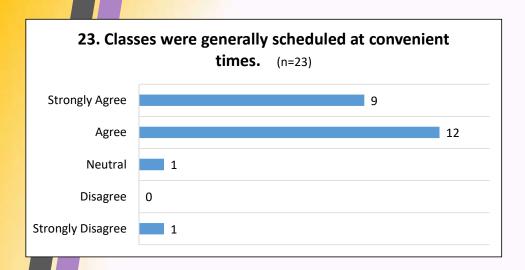


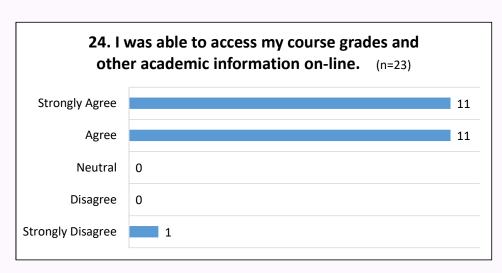


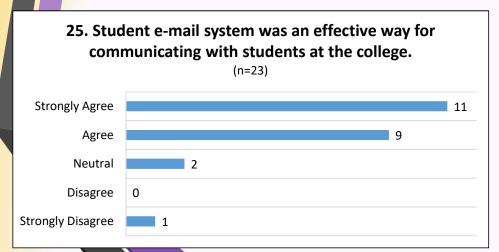


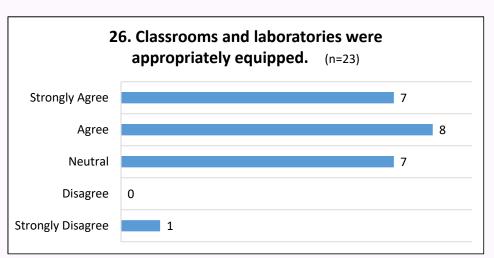


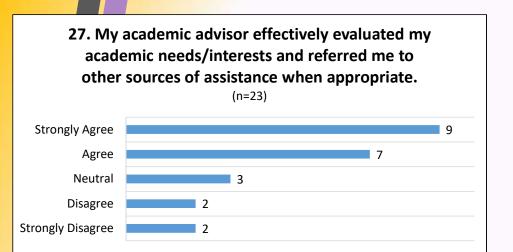


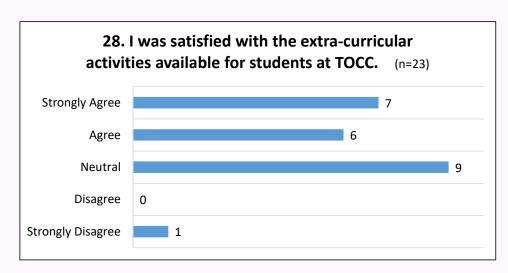


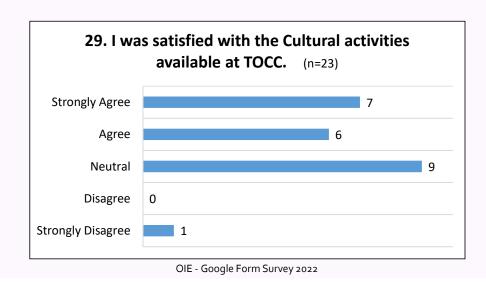




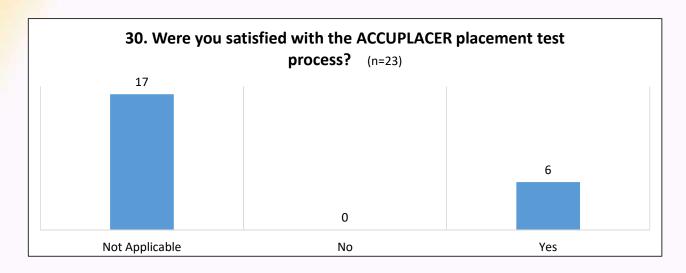


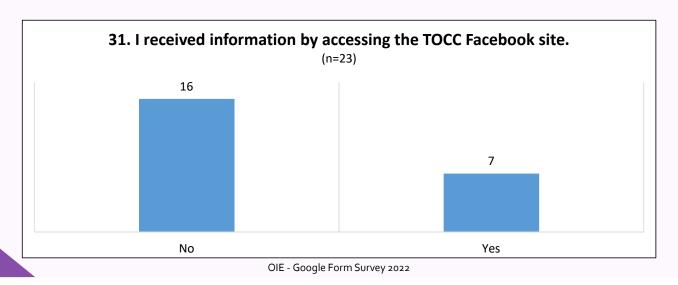




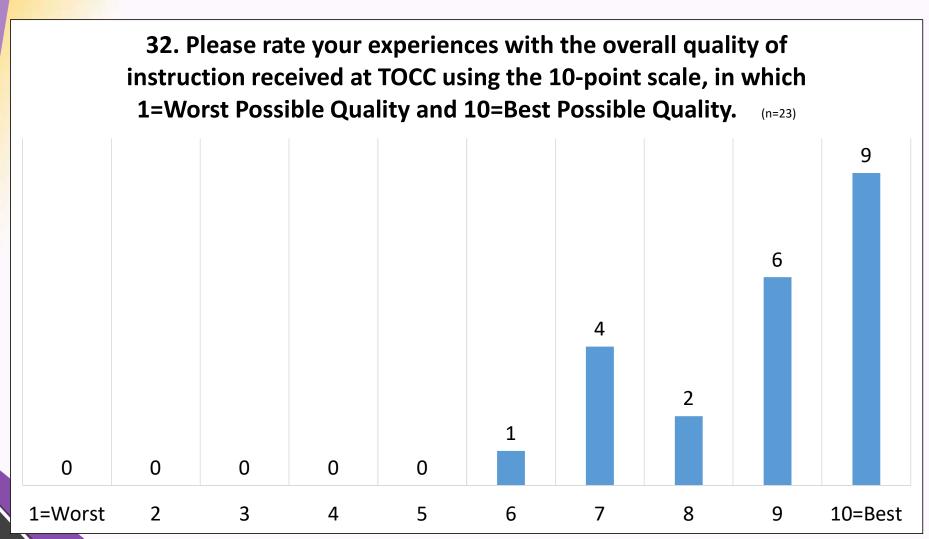


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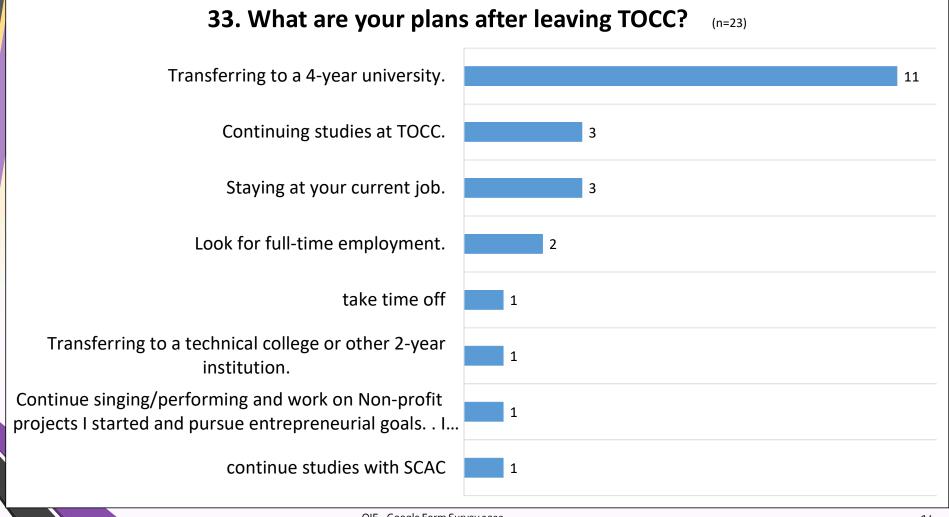


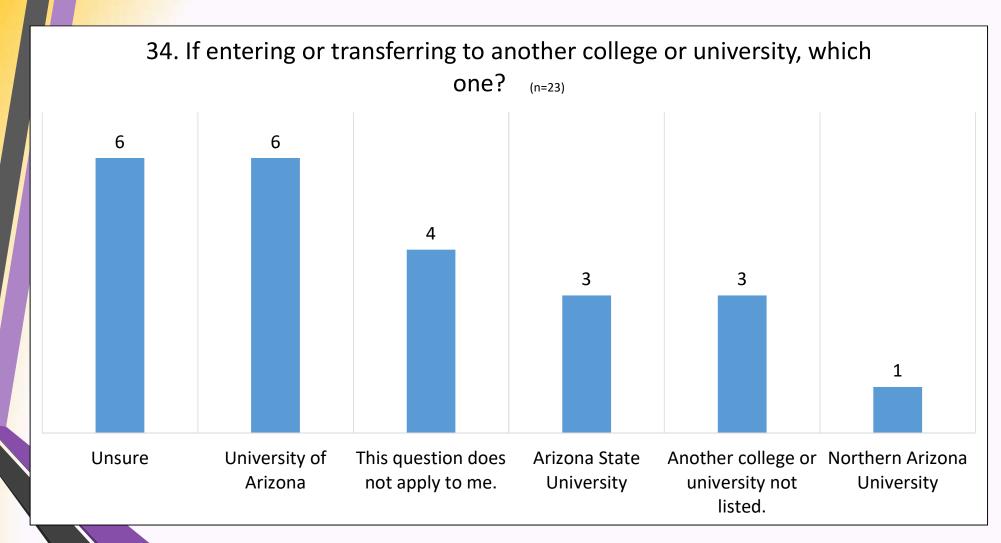


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36. If you would like to elaborate upon any of your survey responses or offer additional thoughts about these issues, please do so in the space provided below.

- I only had one issue and that was not knowing that my advisor had left. It was very hard to get a hold of her and didn't return emails.
- I received a very good education for business and feel much more entrepreneurial because of the education I received at SCAC/TOCC. I also have a much better understanding of the Cultures and appreciate the friendships I have made along my journey. I would eventually like to travel with work.
- I was an online student so I didn't participate in anything on-campus.
- I would like to pursue the BA in Tohono O'odham Studies once it is available. I already had an AA in liberal arts at TOCC so this allowed me to focus on the core classes for the Tohono O'odham Studies program. The fact that TOCC provided free tuition was a big plus. Returning to virtual classes during the pandemic made sense. I could work toward something as we all tried to stay safe and alive! Thank you!
- I would like to see more better communication between staff and students when they ask for help or if they need anything .
- I would like to see the TOCC be made into a University.
- Keep the option for classes to be attended online. I'm not sure if I would have ever been able to attend TOCC if the classes were not online as I did not always have transportation to travel to Sells.
- The professors here are amazing at accommodating to students life which makes student feels confident and SEEN. There is a set up for success. Professors want to see students succeed and they put forth their effort which does not go unnoticed. I never had professors be more communicative, personal, and going out of their way to make sure a student feels and is accommodated to reach their educational goals. Especially during this pandemic with life being so stressful and unpredictable, having professors that understand was a major step up from what I was used to in the past and seeing my GPA support this argument is what makes me happy because I am now an honor student trying my best and feeling confident enough to know that I can succeed.
- The staff were great and have been very helpful when I needed assistance during the time of COVID years.
- Went through various advisors, information was not accurate or consistent regarding program of study. Was given incorrect information regarding which classes had to be taken and had to take more classes than originally advised. Advising should be consistent when new advisors are appointed to students.

37. What additional experiences or extra-curricular activities would you have liked to see offered to students at TOCC?

- A Students Journey transfer program was a major push to transfer to an university.
- As an adult student, employed full-time I am not sure what type of extra-curricular activities I might have engaged in. Perhaps talking nests to practice O'odham ñi'oki would have been helpful. I was able to participate in the heritage events and assisted with the pottery class as a speaker and to fire their pots, those were outside my coursework. I enjoyed these very much.
- Clubs not related to academic interests, that are also not sports.
- Cultural learning groups. We may have students of different tribes but we can all learn from each other.
- Culture clubs
- I appreciate the nature projects, including GIS and vegetation, etc. Learning about the culture has been very interesting
 to me and I hope that we can continue to collaborate on native seed exchange and sustainable green projects to help our
 Earth's climate.
- I believe more summer programs available through the college would be beneficial for all students.
- I understand if COVID-19 wasn't such a huge issue, it would've been nice to have been involved with the school more.
- More athletic programs
- More internships
- More traditional story nights, and anything cultural for sure!

38. If you had to do it again, would you choose to attend TOCC, why or why not?

- Yes I would I liked the small classroom atmosphere and then the switch to online was more convenient since I work full time worker and had kids at home
- Yes I would because TOCC belongs to us, it is local and why would I want to go anywhere else? (I will also say that my initial attempts to register were very frustrating. The staff was not responsive and the process was chaotic. This is the reason for the low score in that area.)
- Yes, close to home and convenient to attend. No, because information was never consistent, advisors not good at communication, and financial aid office was rude at times. Some staff not very friendly.
- Yes, I would choose TOCC again if it were possible. I liked the environment of being around supportive staff and professors. It was easy to interact with other native students.
- I would choose TOCC again, I like having a college with transferable credits in my community. It's reassuring that our community supports us and wants us to better ourselves. I wish TOCC advocated for itself while I was in HS and the benefits of starting small then going big. I feel more prepared to continue my education.
- Yes
- Yes, I would. It was the camaraderie between the students and instructors.
- Yes, if tuition rates remained the same and additional financial services were available.
- Yes, I would choose it and do my experience all over
- The process was simple and to the point and the care and understanding from the professors was phenomenal.
- Yes, because it felt good to be at TOCC
- I am grateful for the San Carlos Campus and it's faculty. It is a very good opportunity for the people in my community to receive an education.

38. If you had to do it again, would you choose to attend TOCC, why or why not? (Continued)

- I would choose TOCC because of the smaller classes. I felt comfortable and the instructors were very helpful and willing to help. They were very accommodating and understanding. The free tuition was a big plus, this helped me finish my education. It eliminated a huge financial stress.
- Yes, I would do it again because TOCC has help me to be the best as a student and a person and through the long nights of studying and working and even in the times where I thought I was going to fail, I still finished and succeed.
- Yes. I wanted to have an experience in another setting. I think it interesting classes getting different perspectives on certain issues which
 are important to all of us.
- Yes I would. Professors seemed to really be interested in helping their students succeed. Student Services is the only thing that would make me hesitate from attending again.
- Yes, a useful resource, free college and it helped with giving me an education and helping with family situations
- Yes, the classes are easy to attend and work is reasonable.
- I would choose to attend because I didn't have to pay tuition and that helped during COVID.
- Yes, The staff were great, overall a great experience I had with the school. the professors were great too! very caring and understandable.
- Yes, the experience was great and instructors were helpful when I had questions. I have gone to other Community colleges and I had to rely on myself when I needed help and did know where to seek assistance. Students were friendly and great learning about the cultural aspects being Native American.
- Yes, because I have met some amazing professors who have taught me a lot and shown me to never give up.
- I wish, I would have found this college a lot sooner in my life, it is a great opportunity.