

De Anza College Office of Institutional Research and Planning

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Subject: Foster Youth Students at De Anza College

De Anza College currently collects information on foster youth students from two sources, the CCCApply application and the Banner cohorts table.

The current CCCApply question asks the following voluntary question:

Are you now, or have you ever been, a dependent or ward of the state through California's child welfare system? (Yes, No)

Of students enrolled in spring 2012 who applied within the previous year, 100 students answered yes to this question.

The following question will be added to the CCCApply application this month as a mandatory question which will enable us to gather more informative data on foster youth at our college:

Are you a foster youth?

0 I have never been in Foster Care.

1 I am currently in Foster Care in California.

2 I was previously in Foster Care in California, and aged out or emancipated from the system.

3 I am currently in Foster Care in a system outside California.

4 I was previously in Foster Care in a system outside California, and aged out or emancipated from the system.

5 I was temporarily in Foster Care, but did not age out or emancipate from the system.

Within the Banner system, there is a place to track foster youth students within the cohort table. In 2012 spring, 35 students were flagged as enrolled in the De Anza Foster Youth Program.

The following tables provide additional information on the 100 students who answered yes to the voluntary question on the CCCApply application. Of the 100 students, two were identified in the cohort table in Banner as enrolled in the Foster Youth Program in spring 2012.

	Gender	
	Students	Percent
Female	47	49%
Male	50	49%
Unreported	3	2%
Total	100	100%

Ethnicity

	Students	Percent
African American	11	11%
Asian	39	39%
Filipino	1	1%
Latino/a	19	19%
Native American	2	2%
Unreported	8	8%
White	20	20%
Total	100	100%

Age

	Students	Percent
18-20	18	19%
21-25	54	53%
26-30	10	9%
Over 30	18	19%
Total	100	100%

Family Income

	Students	Percent
\$0-25,000	60	61%
\$25,000-\$50,000	12	12%
\$50,000-\$75,000	2	1%
Over \$75,000	4	4%
Unreported	22	22%
Total	100	100%

English Primary Language

	Students	Percent
English primary language	47	49%
English not primary language	53	51%
Total	100	100%

Educational Goal

	Students	Percent
4 yr students, 4-yr requirements	31	32%
Advance in current job	15	15%
Complete high school credits	7	6%
Earn vocational certificate	1	0%
Educational development	4	9%
Improve basic skills	6	6%
Maintain certificate	3	2%
Move from NC to credit	3	3%
Obtain AA and transfer	3	3%
Obtain AA without transfer	5	3%
Prepare for new career	2	1%
Transfer to a 4 year without AA	14	15%
Undecided	6	4%
Total	100	100%