



Grade 12 student survey

Carleton North High School: 108 Students were surveyed

Do you live inside or outside the town limits?

62% of respondent live outside and 39% live inside their villages or town limits. This surveye included students from a very broad region that included: Bristol, Centreville, Bath, Florenceville, Williamstown, Glassville, Juniper, Piercemont, Gordonsville, Beechwood, Lakeville, Johnville, Greenfield, Riverbank, Royalton, Maplehurst, Deerville, Simonds, Summer Field, Mont Pleasant, Stickney, Upper Kent, Wicklow and Bloomfield.

What are your future plans? The percentage reflects the total number of check marks (n=142). 26 out of 142 students checked more than one choice.

- 46.5% want to attend University
- 23.2% want to go to Community College
- 18.3% want to work
- 6.3% indicated that they had “other” plans
- 5.6% don’t know what their future plans are

1. What do you like, or value most, about living in your own community? (Please rank the following 6 choices from 1 to 6 in order of importance, 1 being most valuable)

- 1- The people who live here (good friends, neighbours and family)
 - 2- The natural environment (woods, river, outdoors, clean environment)
 - 3- The opportunities for physical activities, (eg. hockey, swimming, etc.)
 - 4- The services (arena, pool, library, recreation and sport programs etc.)
 - 5- The convenience (everything I need is here)
 - 6- The social activities (community events, church events, organizations like 4-H)
- Other: 2- not a lot of noise, 7- farming, 3- freedom, 1- environmental places, 1- leaving and going to a city.

2. What do you like least about your community?

15 responded “**Nothing to do**” “**...that you can walk to.**”

Concerning the isolation situation:

3 responded “**Nothing is here.**” or “**things to do are far**”

9 responded “**it’s isolated**” & “**...I have to drive to community events.**”

1 responded “**My friends don’t live there and it’s too far out of town.**”

5 responded “**No malls or stores.**”

2 responded “**How far everything is...**” or “**there is nothing close by.**”

3 responded “**Lack of hangout places for teens.**”

10 responded “**Small place**” (“**It consist of 12 houses.**”)



- 6 responded **“Roads”**
- 5 responded **“Nothing.”**
- 3 responded **“Nothing for teens to do.”**
- 3 responded **“Everyone talks.” or “Too much gossip.” And “...usually false statements.”**
- 3 responded **“Everyone knows everyone’s business.”**
- 2 responded **“How pollutes the St. John River.”**
- 2 responded **“many rednecks around.”**
- 2 responded **“Lack of services”**
- 1 responded **“The drugs.”**
- 1 responded “Everyone is closing their business so there is not a lot of population.” (Bath)
- 1 responded “The smell.”
- 1 responded “Local organization forcing their beliefs on farmers.”
- 1 responded “Lack of culture.”
- 1 responded “The music program and the amount of concerts.”
- 1 responded “Closed minded community/schooling.”
- 1 responded “stupid people”
- 1 responded “I like being in the country, lots of privacy.”
- 1 responded “Not many community activities.” (Centreville)
- 1 responded “Not much room for advancement in the animation career path. No graphic novel businesses to work for.”
- 1 responded “Far away from areas I’d rather be in such as Florenceville.”
- 1 responded “Lack of jobs (choices) for high school students.” (Centreville)
- 1 responded “Old fashion ideas.”
- 1 responded “The fact that it is a blight on the earth.” (Bath)
- 1 responded “Wildlife on the road.”
- 1 responded “Snow removal services.”(Centreville)
- 1 responded “Not having the opportunities for sports like the cities do.”
- 1 responded “...nothing exciting ever happens.”
- 1 responded “It looks dirty sometimes.”
- 1 responded “The gym”
- 1 responded “Gas prices”
- 1 responded “More old citizens then anyone else, no activists”
- 1 responded “No work”

3. Do you want to stay and live in New Brunswick after you finish school?

The percentage reflects the total number of check marks (n=107).

- 33.6% Yes
- 20.6% No
- 45.8% Unknown



4. If not, would you like to return to live in New Brunswick some day?

The percentage reflects the total number of check marks (n=90).

- 44.4% Yes
- 10.0% No
- 45.6% Unknown

5. What kind of work would you prefer to do if you live here or if you would live here?

Please check off your first three choices.

The percentage reflects the total number of check marks (n=243).

- 27.2% -professional career (doctor, lawyer, accountant, engineer, school teacher etc.)
- 18.5% -something outdoors (eg. tourism, recreation, guiding, etc.)
- 15.2% -running your own business?

If so, what kind? Not sure, professional, fashion line, unknown (2), tourism, gift shop, sports shop (2), art school, automobile service, skate shop or bar, photography studio, sell apples and fish hooks, comic/graphic novel store, home based co-operative, fashion designing, hair salon, construction, store, electrician, shop, contractor and mechanic.

- 13.2% -a trade or working with your hands (eg. making craft products, carpentry, etc.)
- 10.7% -providing a service (eg. working in a store, garage, computer consultant, etc.)
- 9.1% -teaching others how to do something? (eg. build a canoe, make a quilt, cook outdoors, music instrument etc.)
- 6.5% -other: Writing/directing, I don't know yet (2), something easy & with good salary, scientist and/or actor and model, RCMP, police officer, military, truck driving, art: animation, graphic design and sequential still-art, fashion designer, nurse or social worker, music.

6. Do you participate in any community organizations or activities outside of school (including church groups)?

80 students responded to this question.

- 75.5% Yes
- 42.5% No
- 0% Unknown

If so, what are they?

13 responded **“Church related”**

12 responded **“Yes, sports”** (rugby in summer, snowboarding, skateboarding, biking, long boarding, basketball camp, dance, hockey, swimming, soccer).

12 responded **“Youth groups”** (some related to churches)



- 6 responded **“Volunteer** (at the hospital or at the Salmon Association or the Carleton Manor pr the Christian camp in Sussex or art gallery or rabies clinic).”
- 3 responded **“I have my own band.”**
- 3 responded **Events organized by their community council**
- 3 responded **“I coach.”** (mini basketball, youth hockey and synchronized swimming)
- 2 responded **“4-H”**
- 1 responded “part time job”
- 1 responded “Music lessons”
- 1 responded “Camping”
- 1 responded “Drama”
- 1 responded “Choir
- 1 responded “Cadets”
- 1 responded “Multicultural Association of Carleton County”
- 1 responded “I directed the 1998 Hit Musical.”
- 1 responded “I help plan summer activities for children; I coach youth soccer and work at the community pool.”
- 1 responded “No activities in Juniper.”
- 1 responded “Dungeons and Dragons”

7. Do you and most of your friends feel welcome in your community...like this is your home and you belong here? If you feel excluded or included, what makes you feel that way?

95 students responded to this question.

90.5% Yes

8.4% No

1.1% Unknown

Included because...

- 16 responded **“I feel welcome”**
- 11 responded **“...people are very friendly.”** or **“I can say Hi to everyone and always get a reply.”**
- 8 responded **“Everyone knows each other”**
- 6 responded **“I feel I belong...”**
- 6 responded **“It’s my home.”**
- 5 responded **“I feel included.”**
- 5 responded **“...grew up in this community”**
- 5 responded **“My family and friends are there”**
- 2 responded **“I get along with everyone”**
- 2 responded **“Everyone knows me...”**
- 2 responded **“My friends are here...”**
- 1 responded “I communicate with everyone.”
- 1 responded “Everyone gets along.”
- 1 responded “This community is very close.”(Florenceville)
- 1 responded “Family”



- 1 responded “I have lived here my whole life and the people I’m surrounded by I’ve known forever.”
- 1 responded “We all don’t care what other think. We feel as if we belong here and can do what we pleased.”
- 1 responded “I feel wanted.”
- 1 responded “I have lived only here.”
- 1 responded “I feel included in the community when it comes to different activities.”
- 1 responded “...I have always lived there all my life and most of my dad’s side lives there too.”
- 1 responded “I get along well with my neighbors and fellow villagers.”
- 1 responded “we’re a small town and everybody knows everybody, we live in the country and its fun.”
- 1 responded “people leave me to live my own life.”
- 1 responded “...it is nice for scenery.”
- 1 responded “...sense of security”
- 1 responded “...my town is peaceful.”
- 1 responded “I’m not Canadian and so I don’t consider this to be my home, however, I like it and I feel like I belong.”

Excluded or don’t belong here because...

- 4 responded “I just feel like I would belong more in a city. A small town isn’t where I want to live...”
- 1 responded “I feel a little excluded for the language, mine is Spanish.”
- 1 responded “...due to the closely knit communities with religion. I you don’t go to church, no one knows you.”
- 1 responded “Nobody talks to me.”
- 1 responded “...I like cities and enjoy activities that our village doesn’t offer.”
- 1 responded “...none of my friends live there.”
- 1 responded “This is not my home...my family and I moved here 4 years ago. There is nothing to de here”
- 1 responded “I feel at home here, but the opportunities aren’t here for my future.”

Comments from the students:

“This place is boring and we need to get more things to do!”

“My friends and I feel welcome in our community, but we are very excited to be leaving.”

“Falls Brook Centre rocks.”

“They could use more attractions, but Bath is a great place to live.