## 2010 GRADUATING NURSES (RN) SURVEY SUMMARY REPORT

## Highlights

* 55 Registered Nurses graduated from Dalton State College and 14 graduates responded to the survey.
* $93 \%$ of the respondents said that they were Satisfied or Very Satisfied with the Dalton State College ASN program.


## DSC 2010 RN Graduating Student Survey Summary Cumulative Count and Percent

|  |  |  | Cumulative Cumulative <br> Count | Percent |
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| Count | Percent |  |  |  |

1.Age at the time you graduated:
a. 20-25

| 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 8 | $57.14 \%$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |
|  | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

2. Marital Status:

| a. Unmarried (including single, divorced, and widowed) | 9 | $64.29 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| b. Married |  | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

3. County of Residence:
a. Catoosa
b. Gordon
c. Murray
d. Walker
e. Whitfield
f. Other

| 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 3 | $21.43 \%$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |  |
|  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 6 | $42.86 \%$ |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 8 | $57.14 \%$ |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 10 | $71.43 \%$ |
|  | 4 | $28.57 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

4. Highest level of educational experience achieved prior to entrance into the Dalton State College nursing program.

| a. GED | 1 | 7.14 \% | 1 | 7.14 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| b. High school, graduated within two years of acceptance | 6 | 42.86 \% | 7 | 50.00 \% |
| c. High school, graduated over two years prior to acceptance | 3 | 21.43 \% | 10 | 71.43 \% |
| d. College, 1-4 years (including certificate/technical) | 3 | 21.43 \% | 13 | 92.86 \% |
| e. College graduate | 1 | 7.14 \% | 14 | 100.00 \% |
| Total Responses | 14 | 100\% | 14 | 100\% |

5. While you were a student at Dalton State College, were you mainly enrolled:
a. Full-time

|  | 9 | $64.29 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

6. At the time of this survey, have you written and passed your licensing examination?
b. No

14
100.00 \%
$14 \quad 100.00 \%$

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|  | Count | Percent | Cumulative Cumulative <br> Count |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percent |  |  |  |

6. At the time of this survey, have you written and passed your licensing examination?

| Total Responses | 14 | $100 \%$ | 14 | $100 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

7. If you've passed, please indicate the month you received board results:
(Not Answered)

|  | 14 | $100.00 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

8. After graduation, what was your primary source of preparation for the NCLEX?
(Not Answered)
a. Independent review

|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 2 | $14.29 \%$ |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 7 | $50.00 \%$ |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |
|  | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

9. Did you have any health related work experience prior to entering the Nursing program at Dalton State College?

| a. Yes |  | 5 | 35.71 \% | 5 | 35.71 \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| b. No |  | 9 | 64.29 \% | 14 | 100.00 \% |
|  | Total Responses | 14 | 100\% | 14 | 100\% |

10. Current working status:
a. Full-time in nursing

| 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 3 | $21.43 \%$ |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 7 | $50.00 \%$ |
|  | 7 | $50.00 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

11. If working, please indicate the month you began your job

| (Not Answered) | 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 8 | $57.14 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| b. February | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |
| c. March | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 10 | $71.43 \%$ |
| e. May |  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 12 |
| i. September | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 13 | $95.71 \%$ |
| j. October |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 |
|  |  |  | $100.00 \%$ |  |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

12. If you're not working full-time in nursing, please specify your reason:

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| Percent |  |  |  |

12. If you're not working full-time in nursing, please specify your reason:
(Not Answered)
a. Seeking higher degree

| 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 6 | $42.86 \%$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 7 | $50.00 \%$ |
| 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |  |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |
|  | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

13. If you are working in nursing, please specify which area:

| (Not Answered) |  | 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 8 | $57.14 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| a. Hospital |  | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

14. If you are employed in hospital nursing, please specify which area:

| (Not Answered) | 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 8 | $57.14 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| a. General duty | 4 | $28.57 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |
| b. Specialty care unit, (i.e. ICU, CCU, L \& D, NICU) | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| d. Operating room |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

15. If you are employed in general duty nursing, please specify which area:
(Not Answered)
a. Medical-surgical

|  | 10 | $71.43 \%$ | 10 | $71.43 \%$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
|  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

16. Your primary position is:
(Not Answered)
a. Staff nurse
e. Other: please specify

| 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 8 | $57.14 \%$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |
|  | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

17. Shift worked:
(Not Answered)

|  | 10 | $71.43 \%$ | 10 | $71.43 \%$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |  |
|  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

18. Present hourly salary including any shift differential:

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| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 18. Present hourly salary including any shift differential: |  |  |  |  |
| (Not Answered) | 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 8 | $57.14 \%$ |
| b. Below $\$ 13$ without benefits | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |
| d. $\$ 13.01-\$ 16.00$ without benefits | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |
| g. $\$ 19.01-\$ 21.00$ with benefits | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |
| h. $\$ 19.01-\$ 21.00$ without benefits | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| i. Above $\$ 21.00$ with benefits |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 0} \%$ |

19. In which of the following professional growth activities have you participated? (Please check as many as apply.)

| (Not Answered) | 8 | $40.00 \%$ | 8 | $40.00 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| The regular reading of nursing literature. | 4 | $20.00 \%$ | 12 | $60.00 \%$ |
| Attendance at workshops/seminars/inservices | 3 | $15.00 \%$ | 15 | $75.00 \%$ |
| Participation in a professional organization | 2 | $10.00 \%$ | 17 | $85.00 \%$ |
| Continuation of formal education | 3 | $15.00 \%$ | 20 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
|  |  | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

experiences with programs - a. I received information about employment opportunities in nursing

| Always | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 3 | $21.43 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Most of the time | 4 | $28.57 \%$ | 7 | $50.00 \%$ |
| Sometimes | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| Rarely |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 |
|  |  | $100.00 \%$ |  |  |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |

experiences with programs - b. I was provided information about working conditions in the nursing field.

| Always | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Most of the time | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |  |
| Sometimes | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 4} \%$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |  |

experiences with programs - c. I received information about salary expectations.

| Always | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 2 | $14.29 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Most of the time | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |
| Sometimes | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |
| Rarely | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |
| Never |  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 14 |
|  |  | $100.00 \%$ |  |  |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |

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|  | Count | Percent | Cumulative Cumulative <br> Count | Percent |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

experience other programs - a. Academic advising

| Excellent | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 6 | $42.86 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |
| Fair | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| Poor | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

experience other programs - b. Guidance and counseling

| Excellent | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |
| Fair |  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 13 |
| Poor |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 |
|  |  |  | $100.86 \%$ |  |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |

experience other programs - c. Nursing courses

| Excellent |  | 7 | $50.00 \%$ | 7 | $50.00 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 7 | $50.00 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |  |

experience other programs - d. Non-nursing requirements (e.g., psychology, sociology)

| (Not Answered) | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 1 | $7.14 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Excellent | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 7 | $50.00 \%$ |  |
| Good |  | 7 | $50.00 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

experience other programs - e. Equipment/facilities

| Excellent | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 7 | $50.00 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |
| Fair | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| Poor |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 |
|  |  |  | $100.00 \%$ |  |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

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Count $\quad$ Percent | Cumulative Cumulative |
| :---: |
| Count |
| Percent |

experience other programs - f. Student services

| Excellent | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |  |
| Fair |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

experience other programs - g. Student financial aid

| Excellent |  | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 3 | $21.43 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 10 | $71.43 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |  |
| Poor | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

experience other programs - h. Career preparation

| Excellent | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 3 | $21.43 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Good | 9 | $64.29 \%$ | 12 | $85.71 \%$ |  |
| Fair |  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

experience other programs - i. Nursing trends / opportunities data

| Excellent | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Good | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |  |
| Fair |  | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

curriculum preparation-a. Gerontological

| To a Great Extent | 9 | $64.29 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| To A Moderate Extent | 4 | $28.57 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| To a Limited Extent | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
|  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |

curriculum preparation - b. Medical

| To a Very Great Extent |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| To a Great Extent | 10 | $71.43 \%$ | 11 | $78.14 \%$ |
| To A Moderate Extent |  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 13 |
| To a Limited Extent |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | $92.86 \%$ |
|  |  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $100.00 \%$ |

curriculum preparation - c. Surgical (Pre and Post Op)

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|  | Count | Percent | Cumulative Cumulative <br> Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percent |  |  |  |

curriculum preparation - d. Obstetrical

| To a Great Extent |  | 7 | $50.00 \%$ | 7 | $50.00 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| To A Moderate Extent | 3 | $21.43 \%$ | 10 | $71.43 \%$ |  |
| To a Limited Extent | 4 | $28.57 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |  |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |  |

curriculum preparation-e. Pediatric

| To a Great Extent | 4 | $28.57 \%$ | 4 | $28.57 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| To A Moderate Extent | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 9 | $64.29 \%$ |
| To a Limited Extent | 4 | $28.57 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| To No Extent At All |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 |
|  |  |  | $100.00 \%$ |  |

curriculum preparation - f. Psychiatric

| To a Great Extent | 6 | $42.86 \%$ | 6 | $42.86 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| To A Moderate Extent | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 11 | $78.57 \%$ |  |
| To a Limited Extent |  | 2 | $14.29 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |
| To No Extent At All |  | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

23. Overall, evaluate your satisfaction with the DSC - 2 year ASN program.

| Very satisfied | 5 | $35.71 \%$ | 5 | $35.71 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Satisfied | 8 | $57.14 \%$ | 13 | $92.86 \%$ |  |
| Dissatisfied | 1 | $7.14 \%$ | 14 | $100.00 \%$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |
|  |  | Total Responses | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |  |

