

Response Rate: 56.6%

Thirty-four of the 60 school districts represented at the Recruitment Fair responded to the survey.

**Employer Survey
WSU Education Recruitment Fair
March 7, 2001**

If your district has employed Wright State University graduates of the College of Education and Human Services, please respond to the following questions and return this survey, along with your evaluations, to the registration desk. We value your comments and your participation in this survey. Thank you.

(a) Excellent	(c) Below Average
(b) Average/Above Average	(d) Do Not know/Cannot assess

1. Do you believe our graduates are able to articulate the important principles and concepts of their teaching fields? (circle one of the following)

(a) (b) (c) (d)
(13) 38% (21) 62%

Comments:

A little weak because of student teaching in the late spring.

This year's secondary students were exceptionally good!! Sense that students who take two years of study at a community college and then transfer to WSU are not as well prepared as your Freshman-Senior staff.

They can articulate, but are not always able to implement.

The candidates communicated in a positive manner.

In all of these categories: Most WSU graduates are (B) Average/Above Average. If I had to put a number on it, I would say 20 to 30% (A) Excellent and 20-30% are (C) Below Average .

2. Are our graduates able to use a variety of instructional strategies to have a positive impact on student learning?

(a) (b) (c) (d)
(11) 32% (22) 65%
No Response (1) 3%

Comments:

Student teaching is being scheduled too late for many of your students. They need to talk about personal teaching experiences.

Most seem to be well founded in proven effective strategies but had difficulty (unawareness) of trends in their field.

This seems to be a very strong area for WSU grads.

Did not get deep in instructional techniques as a result of time.

I did not pursue this area specifically. However, there were appropriate opportunities to disclose strategies in structured interview questions asked of them, and these were not evident.

3. Do our graduates know how to use instructional technologies?

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(10) 29%	(18) 53%	(1) 3%	(4) 12%
No Response	(1) 3%		

Comments:

Several of the candidates spoke highly of WSU's emphasis on Technology.

Almost every candidate mentioned PowerPoint. Perhaps they need to be exposed to a few additional technology tools.

4. Do you believe our graduates are able to adequately assess student learning?

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(9) 26%	(17) 50%		(3) 9%
No Response	(5) 15%		

Comments:

No university does this well. It requires practical experience.

Just adequate. This skill seems to take some time to solidify.

Although they knew many ways to assess, some struggled with personal philosophies of assessment. Of course, that will come with experience.

5. Do you believe our graduates are able to develop meaningful learning experiences for all students?

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(12) 35%	(17) 50%	(1) 3%	
No Response	(4) 12%		

Comments:

I believe your candidates were very well prepared and motivated. We really enjoyed talking with and sharing with your kids. Thanks for having us.

I was impressed by the students, their preparation, understanding of pedagogy and interest in children.

Not evident in the structured interview questions asked of them.

The candidates I talked with seemed very confident and comfortable.

The six teachers are all doing well. However, all are very experienced, so it's difficult to assess what they do that is a result of WSU training versus on the job learning.

All candidates seemed to be very aware of ways to address diverse classes.

This seems to be a strength of your program.

Questions are too vague. Need to be more detailed.

More work in Bloom's! Not always able to meaningfully assess these areas based on a 30-minute discussion/interview, but those I talked with were adequately prepared.

I was very impressed with the overall quality of candidates. I felt every one of them was worth interviewing further.

Overall, good employees.

I was very impressed with the caliber of students I interviewed today!

Yes. Great desire and interest in helping students.