Texas 4-H Post-Secondary Academic Success Study

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Project Goals:

I. Do Texas 4-H alumni perform better academically than the population of Texas post-secondary education students. How do 4-H alumni perform on the THECB metrics for the four 60 by 30 goals:
   A. 60 by 30 educated population? (graduation rates)
   B. Four-Year Baccalaureate Degree completion rates?
   C. Marketable skills? (gainfully employed or in graduate school)
   D. Debt percentages? (debt as a percentage of first year wage)

II. Are Texas 4-H alumni better prepared for post-secondary education entry than the population of Texas higher education students?
   A. Do Texas 4-H alumni have higher ACT/SAT scores at entry?
   B. Do Texas 4-H alumni have higher levels of Dual Credit enrollment?

Data Sources:

- Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB): N= TX Population
- National Student Clearinghouse (NSC): N= 4,259 4-H All, 566 4-H Scholars
- Supplemental Survey: N= 708 4-H All, 218 4-H Scholars

Study Population:

- 4-H All: Texas 4-H high school graduates 2013, 2014, and 2015
- 4-H Scholars: Texas 4-H members receiving a Texas 4-H Foundation scholarship in 2013, 2014, or 2015

Funding Partners:

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- Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation
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