# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: 2023SP BASIC NEEDS**

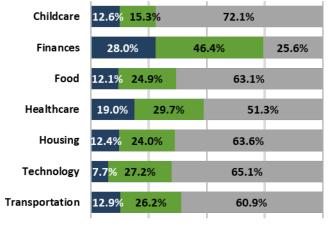
In the continuous effort towards a student-centered schedule, TCC administered its standard operational survey to all 2023SP students to gain further insights about students' preferences regarding the schedule. An additional section with Basic Needs questions was added to the 2023SP survey, and results from that section are presented in this report.

Out of the approximately 42,300 students who received the survey, about 1,200 (~2.8%) responded.\*

## Level of Worry about Meeting Needs

Respondents indicated their level of worry when asked questions related to meeting a variety of basic needs during the academic year.

- About 3 in 4 respondents were somewhat or very worried about their finances (N = 1,045)
- About **1 in 2** respondents were *somewhat or very worried* about **healthcare** (N = 983)
- About 34.9% to 39.1% of respondents were somewhat or very worried about technology, housing, food, or transportation (N = 978 – 1,002)
- About 1 in 4 of respondents were somewhat or very worried about childcare (N = 627)



#### Level of Worry

Very worried Somewhat worried Not at all worried

#### **Finances**

 About 77.3% of respondents who worked for pay during the week were somewhat or very worried about their finances compared to about 66.4% of respondents who were solely students. (N = 1,042)

\* **Note**: Not all respondents answered every question; the analysis of each question is based on the total number of respondents who answered that question.

- About 77.7% of respondents who cared for dependents were somewhat or very worried about their finances compared to about 71.7% of respondents who did not care for dependents. (N = 1,029)
- About 80.9% of respondents who needed a course schedule that was face-to-face in the evenings or weekends were somewhat or very worried about finances compared to about 72.3% of respondents who needed a course schedule that was face-to-face Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday and between 8:00AM-5:00PM. (N = 1,000)

#### Childcare

- About 42.9% of respondents who indicated caring for dependents were somewhat or very worried about childcare compared to about 7.5% of respondents who did not care for dependents. (N = 621)
- About 31.4% of respondents who worked for pay were somewhat or very worried about childcare compared to about 19.6% of respondents who were solely students. (N = 626)
- About 38.2% of respondents who needed a course schedule that was all online were somewhat or very worried about childcare compared to about 21.3% to 26.8% of respondents who indicated needing any other course schedule. (N = 598)

### Conclusion

When asked about meeting various basic needs, respondents indicated having the most worry about their finances and healthcare. Respondents who did not work and did not care for dependents indicated less worry about finances and childcare than students who worked or cared for dependents. Respondents needing evening or weekend classes indicated slightly higher worry about their finances; respondents needing only online courses were more worried about childcare.