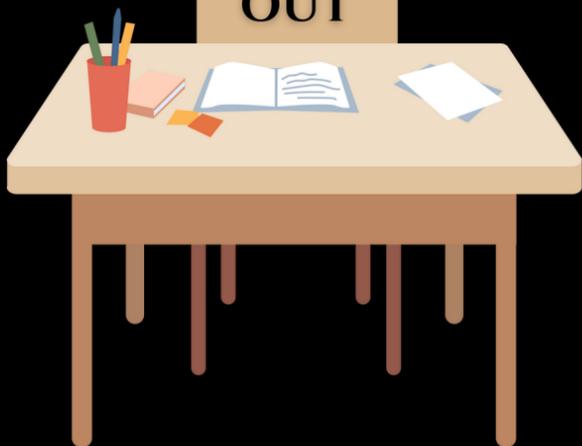


AMERICA'S HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE DROPOUT CRISIS



a high school student

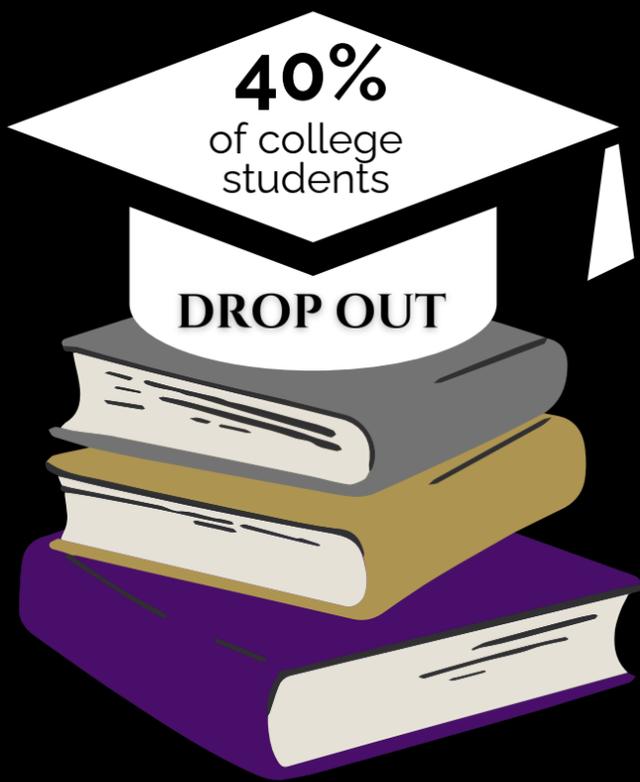
DROPS OUT



Every year, nearly

40%
of college students

DROP OUT



THE INCOME GAP

High-income college students are

MORE THAN

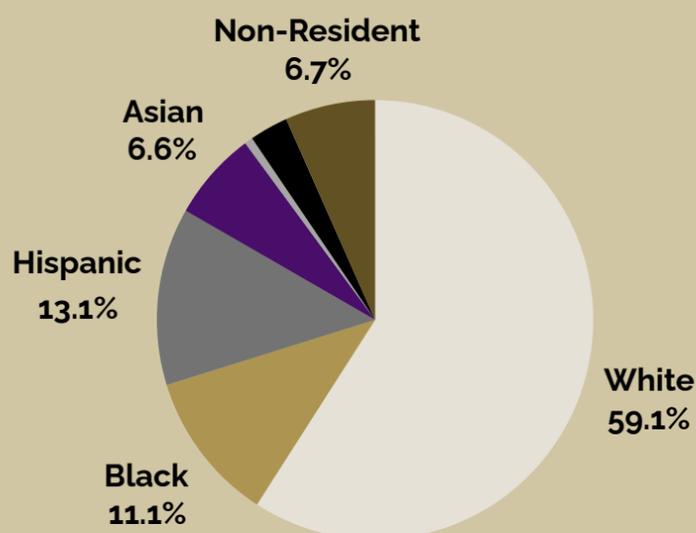


of college dropouts are low-income students

50%

more likely to graduate

COLLEGE GRADUATES BY RACE



Despite representation changing in other areas of society, white students still make up more than half of college graduates.



A high school dropout will earn **\$200,000** less than a high school graduate over his lifetime. And almost **\$1 million** dollars less than a college graduate.

LIFETIME EARNINGS



In many low-income urban high schools, dropout rates are

↑ 50%

63%

OAKLAND

65%

CHICAGO

67%

BRIDGEPORT

61%

NEW YORK

64%

PHILADELPHIA

THE COST OF DROPPING OUT

The unemployment rate for high school dropouts is

3X HIGHER

than college graduates, costing taxpayers



\$292,000 per each dropout over a lifetime

OR



\$350 billion per year in total dropout costs



Schools with graduation rates below 75% receive, on average, 15% less funding per student. Minority-serving institutions receive 20% less.

THE INSTITUTIONAL COST