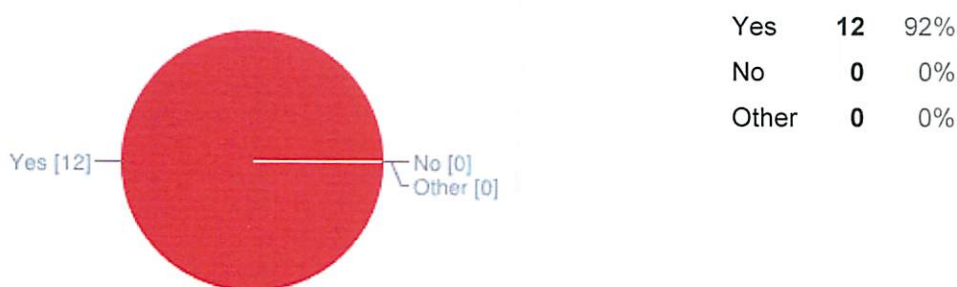


Dentist	2	15%
WLAC Alumni	3	23%
Community Member	0	0%
Corporate/Industry Member	2	15%
Dental Hygienist	3	23%
Student	0	0%
WLAC Faculty	4	31%
Other	2	15%

**Are you in support of West Los Angeles College offering a four year degree in Dental Hygiene?**



**Comments**

This could be a great opportunity to provide a truly affordable advanced degree in dental hygiene to the community. A Bachelor Degree can open the career opportunities for the dental hygienist in education (as a representative of a dental products company, or in college educational programs), sales, research, etc. Often

times, those possibilities will require a Bachelor Degree. In addition, this could put a dental hygienist one step closer from obtaining a Masters Degree.

This is very exciting moment for the community college. I did not think this will happen in early 2000. I am glad California is picking up this trend. Anyway, I suggest to have more corporate companies and others looking for dental hygienists who are looking for Bachelor degrees. They may be more supportive than regular clinical dentists. Dentists may not care about much about bachelor degrees.... Is CDHA and ADHA involved in this movement? It may be beneficial to get them involved? That's all I can think about and I will do as much as I can do to make this happen. Lisa Knowing the continuing high quality of the education and training provided by West's Dental Hygiene program - as evidenced by data-, this action will create a much-needed opportunity for students to earn an excellent B.S. degree at a cost that is more affordable - and add to West's stature as well.

I am very much in support of West Los Angeles offering a four year bachelors degree. I believe a bachelors degree program will enhance the options for dental hygiene applicants and also expand graduates opportunities.

I truly believe West Los Angeles College deserves to have the 4 year degree in Dental Hygiene. This program will be a very good opportunity for the students to persuade their higher education at lower cost.

I am in full agreement and support for WLAC to be able to offer a Bachelor's degree in the Dental Hygiene Program. This would be a great opportunity for students to receive a quality education while spending less than one would at a Cal State or UC university. The Dental Hygiene Program is a very intensive program and feels like a graduate degree program, which offers a wide range of knowledge and information. It seems only right that the student would achieve a higher degree than only an AS degree. If a Dental Hygiene student wishes to go further in her/his education, transferring to a university would be difficult and more time consuming as these units in the DH program are not transferrable. Having a Bachelors Degree in Dental Hygiene opens the graduate up to more opportunities in the work force than only working in private practice.

This is a great opportunity for students.

West LA is uniquely situated both geographically and academically to pilot a bachelors degree in dental hygiene. The student receive a strong academic program with proven high pass rates in their board exams and receive enough credits enough credits for a BS degree as it stands now but are robbed of that degree. The reputation of the graduates in the dental community is exceptional with many students taking extra classes to get their degrees to work in education and public health. . It would help the community by offering more students the benefits of a bachelor's degree to offer it at WEST LA COLLEGE. Thank you

I believe that this is a great opportunity. It will attract RDH candidates that would otherwise attend other institutions, therefore improving the quality of the applicants. It would serve as a pipeline for dental hygienists who are interested in teaching and in more advanced degrees.

i'm fully behind this educational improvement.

### Number of daily responses

