

WELL-BEING

- Residents will be able to establish quality relationships.
- Residents will be able to engage in meaningful experiences that will establish their sense of belonging at Ohio University.

STRATEGIES FOR DELIVERY AND ENGAGEMENT

Series of educational and relationship-building events throughout campus and residence halls welcoming students to campus. A collaboration between HRL, CIC, University College, and D&I.



Includes educational and relationship-building strategies:

- 1st Seven Weeks Programming
- Bobcat 2 Bobcats
- Building-wide and small group educational strategy engagements

ASSESSMENT STRATEGIES

- Welcome Week Survey: September 2019
- 6 Word Memoir: October/November 2019
- Bobcat Experience Picture Graph Survey: October/November 2019
- Resident Survey: November 2019

RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

WELCOME WEEK SURVEY: n=1,879

- 96% of Respondents stated "Yes", they feel like they belong at Ohio University
- Regression revealed the top three factors leading to respondent feeling of belonging as
 - I believe the staff and faculty at OHIO University care about me.
 - The events I attended during welcome week helped me believe that I can find people like me at OHIO University.
 - I feel like I belong in my residence hall community.

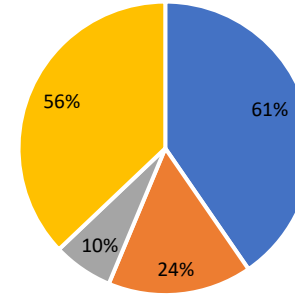
Respondents living on campus are, statistically, more likely to say:

- Participation in welcome week makes them feel valued and that they mattered
- That participation in welcome week events helped them believe they can find people like them at OHIO University.
- They believe staff and faculty at OHIO University care about them.
- They made a social connection at welcome week events they attended.



6 WORD MEMOIR: n=151

In 6 Words, "What Does it Mean to be a Bobcat?"



- Supportive Community
- Satisfaction
- Part of a Family
- Other

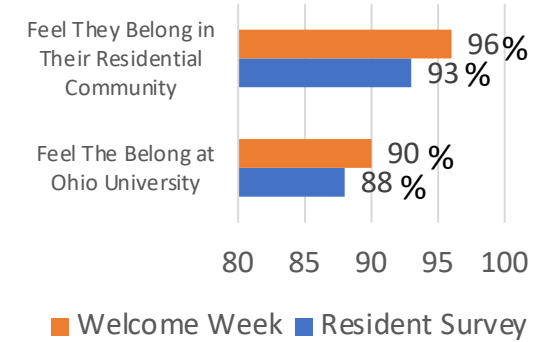
PICTURE GRAPH SURVEY: n=18

Send a Picture that Captures Your Experience Being a Bobcat at Ohio University

- Categories of photos and experiences provided: Friendship, Sporting Events, Leadership, New Experiences, Institutional Pride
- The majority of submissions articulated new experiences through exploring new opportunities

RESIDENT SURVEY: n=2,604

% Residential Respondents Who



IMPLICATIONS & NEXT STEPS

- Throughout the fall semester students expressed their feelings of belonging both to campus and the residential community.
- Students see being a Bobcat as being part of a family or community with pride in exploring new experiences.
- Future plans are to continue these assessments and correlate additional out of class experiences that relate to sense of belonging

"My experience being a Bobcat is stepping out of my comfort zone and into a place that allows me to have unforgettable adventures with unforgettable people. Athens may be small, but being a Bobcat has made my world feel so big."