

Campus Environment: First-year students

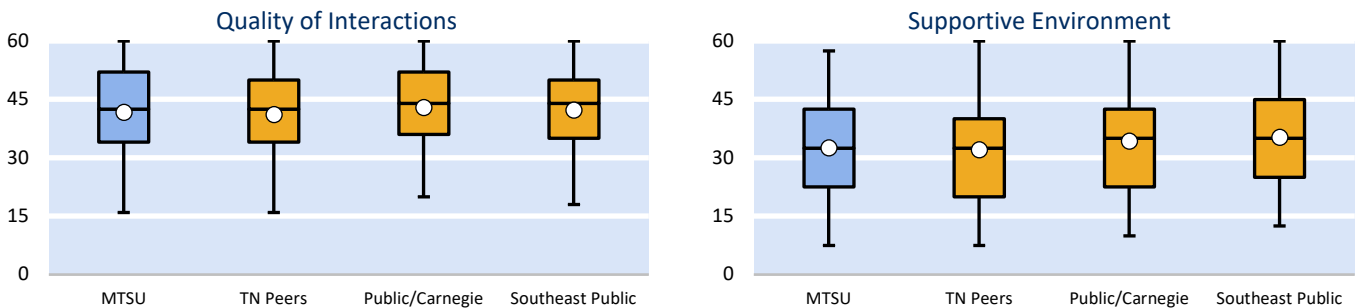
Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

Mean Comparisons

Engagement Indicator	MTSU Mean	Your first-year students compared with					
		TN Peers		Public/Carnegie		Southeast Public	
	Mean	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size
Quality of Interactions	41.7	41.1	.04	42.9	-.09	42.2	-.05
Supportive Environment	32.5	32.1	.03	34.2 *	-.12	35.2 ***	-.19

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and *p* before rounding; **p* < .05, ***p* < .01, ****p* < .001 (2-tailed).

Score Distributions



Notes: Each box-and-whiskers chart plots the 5th (bottom of lower bar), 25th (bottom of box), 50th (middle line), 75th (top of box), and 95th (top of upper bar) percentile scores. The dot represents the mean score. Refer to Detailed Statistics for your institution's sample sizes.

Performance on Indicator Items

The table below displays how your students responded to each EI item, and the difference, in percentage points, between your students and those of your comparison group. Blue bars indicate how much higher your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group. Dark red bars indicate how much lower your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group.

Quality of Interactions	MTSU %	Percentage point difference ^a between your FY students and		
		TN Peers	Public/Carnegie	Southeast Public
<i>Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with...</i>				
13a. Students	40	-4	-11	-11
13b. Academic advisors	51	-4	-4	-2
13c. Faculty	47	+4	-4	-1
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	48	+3	+2	+1
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	51	+10	+3	+8
<i>Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized...</i>				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	67	+1	-7	-6
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	70	+1	-5	-4
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	56	+2	-3	-3
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	58	-1	-6	-10
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	61	+0	-4	-7
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	33	-0	-8	-7
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	55	+1	+0	-8
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	42	+1	+0	-4

Notes: Refer to your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons* report for full distributions and significance tests. Item numbering corresponds to the survey facsimile available on the NSSE website.

a. Percentage point difference = Institution percentage – Comparison group percentage. Because results are rounded to whole numbers, differences of less than 1 point may or may not display a bar. Small, but nonzero differences may be represented as +0 or -0.