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### Abstract

This scientific article is about research that was conducted based on a show series, Riverdale.

This study analyzes both of the high schools located in Riverdale which are Riverdale High and Southside High. Even though both of these schools are located within the same district the environment in which they are surrounded is completely different. As known based on previous studies, the environment in which an individual is surrounded can have an effect on them. When around negative environments like Southside High teenagers are often tempted to make bad decisions to fit in. Whereas, when surrounded by a good environment like Riverdale High teenagers are more likely to succeed and make good decisions. This study analyzes the possibility of graduating when attending Riverdale High vs. Southside High.

## The Effect Of Attending Riverdale High vs. Southside High

### **Introduction:**

Choosing which school to attend has always been an individual's problem at some point in time, whether they're a parent or a student. When choosing which school to attend often individuals look at the neighborhood in which the school is located, the graduation rates, and the overall rating of the school. This is an issue that many parents encounter in Riverdale, due to the option of having to choose between Riverdale High and Southside High. Riverdale High is the school that most of the middle-income households choose, due to its good reputation and good environment. Unlike Riverdale High, Southside High is located in the southside of Riverdale and is often looked at as the bad school due to its bad reputation. Those who attend Southside high are known as the "serpents".

### **Methods:**

To conduct this experiment two different groups of students were chosen to analyze, group one was Riverdale High students (2009-2019), and group two were Southside High students (2009-2019).

#### *Group One (Riverdale High Students):*

It was decided that the best way to measure the possibility of graduating if an individual is a Riverdale High student was by looking at their graduation rates from the past ten years. The year gap that we decided to analyze and do research on was 2009-2019. Ten years was the best way to analyze the graduation rates because it gives more realistic statistical data.

#### *Group Two (Southside High Students):*

It was decided that the best way to measure the possibility of graduating if an individual is a Southside High student was by also looking at their graduation rates from the past ten years. We chose to analyze the same graduation rate between the years 2009-2019 because it helps keep the correlation between Riverdale High and Southside High.

**Results:**

This research study found that the possibility of graduating is higher if students attend Riverdale High, compared to them attending Southside High. This study found that in group one, Riverdale High has maintained an average of 95% graduating rate between the years 2009-2019. This study also found that in group two, Southside High the graduating rates have decreased by 5% each year throughout the years of 2009-2019. This leaves Southside High with an overall graduating rate average of 42%

**Discussion:**

This study shows the overall effect of graduating students who attend Riverdale High vs. Southside High. As shown the possibility of graduating is higher if a student attends Riverdale High than if a student attends Southside High. This study also opens the door to more future studies on the effect of the environment and reputation that a school has on the graduating rates.

**Conclusion:**

Overall, this study confirmed the results on which school a student is more likely to graduate. It also shows that Riverdale High continues to be a good option for students or parents to choose because it has maintained a 95% average for ten years. Whereas, Southside High isn't improving due to the fact that each year their graduation rate continues to decrease by 5%. When choosing a school, parents and students will now feel more comfortable in which school they are choosing because they will be more aware of which school they are most likely to succeed in.

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