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2013 MINNESOTA STUDENT SURVEY

Survey Participation

The 2013 Minnesota Student Survey was administered in the first half of 2013 to public school students in Grades 5, 8, 9, and 11 statewide. All public school districts in Minnesota were invited to participate. Of the 334 public operating districts, 280 agreed to participate (84% of public operating school districts).

Public school student participation was voluntary and surveys were anonymous. Across the state, approximately 66% of fifth graders, 71% of eighth graders, 69% of ninth graders, and 62% of eleventh graders participated in the 2013 Minnesota Student Survey. Overall participation across the four grades was approximately 67% of total enrollment.

All schools and districts that participated in the survey followed federal laws regarding parental notification as required by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA). PPRA requires that schools that participate in the survey notify parents of the survey administration, provide parents the opportunity to review the survey instrument, and allow parents to opt their child out of participating.

Mode of Administration

In 2013, for the first time, schools could choose to administer the survey by computer or by using the traditional paper and pencil survey. Each participating school had to choose one method or the other. Overall, 35% of students took the survey by computer and 65% used the paper survey. The survey questions that students saw on their computer screens were the same as those in the paper survey booklets.

Researchers find that the mode of administration (in this case, computer or paper) may sometimes influence survey results in subtle ways. Students may feel that one method offers more privacy or anonymity than the other, or they may simply feel more comfortable with one method. The Minnesota Student Survey research team will be analyzing the results of the 2013 survey to see if they can detect any influence of the mode of administration on survey results.

Items on the Tables

The accompanying set of tables includes the responses for all survey items. Items are ordered within the tables according to meaningful domains; the order items appear on the tables is not necessarily the order they appeared in the survey. A Table of Contents is provided on pages v-vi. The Grade 5 survey version was shorter than the Grade 8 survey version, which in turn was shorter than the Grade 9/11 version. The Grade 5 and Grade 8 versions did not include items appropriate only for older students. Items found on some versions of the survey but not on others are identified on the tables.

New Questions and Year-to-Year Comparisons

Many of the 2013 survey instrument questions were changed from the 2010 survey instrument. While some questions stayed the same, other questions had updated or improved wording. Some entirely new questions were added and some questions were dropped. New questions are noted on each table. Caution must be used when making comparisons over time for any questions in which the wording has changed.

Please note that although these surveys are given repeatedly over time, student populations may change between administrations of the survey.

Validity of Responses

Approximately 2% of the surveys were eliminated from analyses because gender was missing, responses were highly inconsistent, or there was a pattern of likely exaggeration.

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**TABLE 1
DEMOGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION
Big Stone County**

		Grade							
		5th		8th		9th		11th	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total number of surveys		26	100%	54	100%	63	100%	77	100%
Gender	Male	14	54%	24	44%	33	52%	44	57%
	Female	12	46%	30	56%	30	48%	33	43%
Age	10 or younger	14	54%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	11	12	46%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	12	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	13	0	0%	23	43%	0	0%	0	0%
	14	0	0%	31	57%	27	43%	0	0%
	15	0	0%	0	0%	36	57%	0	0%
	16	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	36	47%
	17	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	38	49%
	18	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3	4%
	No answer	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Are you a member of any of the following ethnic or cultural groups?^ Hispanic or Latino/a	Yes	0	0%	3	6%	1	2%	1	1%
	No	26	100%	49	91%	61	97%	74	96%
	Not answered	0	0%	2	4%	1	2%	2	3%
Are you a member of any of the following ethnic or cultural groups?^ Somali	Yes	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	No	26	100%	51	94%	63	100%	75	97%
	Not answered	0	0%	3	6%	0	0%	2	3%
Are you a member of any of the following ethnic or cultural groups?^ Hmong	Yes	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	No	26	100%	50	93%	62	98%	75	97%
	Not answered	0	0%	4	7%	1	2%	2	3%
In addition, what is your race?^ (If more than one describes you, mark ALL that apply)	American Indian or Alaskan Native only	0	0%	1	2%	2	3%	0	0%
	Asian only	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Black, African or African American only	0	0%	1	2%	0	0%	0	0%
	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander only	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	White only	26	100%	49	91%	60	95%	76	99%
	Multiple race (checked more than one)	0	0%	3	6%	1	2%	1	1%
	No answer	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 2
SCHOOL PLANS; IEP PARTICIPATION; CHANGING SCHOOLS; ACADEMIC
PERFORMANCE**

Big Stone County

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
What is the MAIN thing you plan to do right AFTER high school?* [^]	I don't plan to graduate from high school		4%	0%	0%
	Get my GED		0%	5%	0%
	Go to a two-year community or technical college		9%	10%	25%
	Go to a four-year college or university		50%	67%	64%
	Get a license or certificate in a career field		13%	0%	0%
	Attend an apprenticeship program		0%	0%	0%
	Join the military		15%	8%	4%
	Work at a job		9%	10%	8%
	Other		0%	2%	0%
Do you have an IEP or get special education services?	Yes	4%	10%	11%	6%
	No	96%	90%	89%	94%
Since the beginning of this school year, how many times have you changed schools?	0 times	100%	96%	95%	91%
	1 time	0%	2%	5%	5%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%	3%
	3 or more times	0%	2%	0%	1%
How would you describe your grades this school year?* [^]	Mostly As	46%	30%	38%	40%
	Mostly Bs	42%	59%	30%	39%
	Mostly Cs	12%	11%	22%	17%
	Mostly Ds	0%	0%	6%	4%
	Mostly Fs	0%	0%	3%	0%
	Mostly Incompletes	0%	0%	0%	0%
	None of these letter grades	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 3
FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL[^]
Big Stone County**

		Grade				
		5th	8th	9th	11th	
		%	%	%	%	
How often do you care about doing well in school?	All of the time	38%	24%	27%	39%	
	Most of the time	50%	57%	54%	45%	
	Some of the time	12%	19%	14%	16%	
	None of the time	0%	0%	5%	0%	
How often do you pay attention in class?	All of the time	38%	11%	11%	8%	
	Most of the time	54%	65%	63%	73%	
	Some of the time	8%	24%	25%	17%	
	None of the time	0%	0%	0%	3%	
How often do you go to class unprepared?	All of the time	0%	2%	0%	1%	
	Most of the time	8%	7%	3%	8%	
	Some of the time	50%	43%	51%	52%	
	None of the time	42%	48%	46%	39%	
How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?	If something interests me, I try to learn more about it.	Strongly agree	27%	31%	43%	66%
		Agree	73%	69%	54%	34%
		Disagree	0%	0%	3%	0%
		Strongly disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%
	I think things I learn in school are useful.	Strongly agree	46%	19%	13%	10%
		Agree	50%	65%	71%	68%
		Disagree	0%	15%	11%	18%
		Strongly disagree	4%	2%	5%	4%
	Being a student is one of the most important parts of who I am.	Strongly agree	38%	15%	16%	13%
		Agree	42%	54%	46%	57%
		Disagree	19%	30%	32%	27%
		Strongly disagree	0%	2%	6%	3%

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 4
FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL; SKIPPING SCHOOL[^]
Big Stone County**

		Grade				
		5th %	8th %	9th %	11th %	
How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?	Overall, adults at my school treat students fairly.	Strongly agree	46%	15%	22%	19%
		Agree	42%	54%	43%	61%
		Disagree	4%	17%	25%	13%
		Strongly disagree	8%	15%	10%	6%
	Adults at my school listen to the students.	Strongly agree	38%	19%	14%	14%
		Agree	46%	48%	52%	64%
		Disagree	15%	31%	29%	17%
		Strongly disagree	0%	2%	5%	5%
	The school rules are fair.	Strongly agree	50%	9%	10%	17%
		Agree	42%	65%	65%	64%
		Disagree	8%	24%	22%	17%
		Strongly disagree	0%	2%	3%	3%
	At my school, teachers care about students.	Strongly agree	65%	22%	21%	25%
		Agree	31%	65%	62%	62%
		Disagree	4%	9%	16%	12%
		Strongly disagree	0%	4%	2%	1%
Most teachers at my school are interested in me as a person.	Strongly agree	46%	11%	11%	16%	
	Agree	50%	56%	59%	57%	
	Disagree	4%	28%	24%	22%	
	Strongly disagree	0%	6%	6%	5%	
During the last 30 days, how many times have you skipped school or cut classes, but NOT a full day of school, without being excused?*	None		87%	92%	81%	
	Once or twice		7%	6%	14%	
	3 to 5 times		4%	2%	5%	
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	
	10 or more times		2%	0%	0%	
During the last 30 days, how many times have you skipped school or cut a FULL day of school or classes, without being excused?*	None		87%	95%	96%	
	Once or twice		9%	3%	4%	
	3 to 5 times		2%	2%	0%	
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	
	10 or more times		2%	0%	0%	

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.
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**TABLE 5
TIME AWAY FROM CLASS[^]**

Big Stone County

<i>During the last 30 days, how many times have you...</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
...gone to the nurses office?	None	42%	54%	75%	65%
	Once or twice	46%	35%	13%	29%
	3 to 5 times	12%	7%	10%	4%
	6 to 9 times	0%	4%	3%	1%
	10 or more times	0%	0%	0%	1%
...stayed home because you were sick?	None	44%	54%	62%	61%
	Once or twice	40%	24%	25%	32%
	3 to 5 times	16%	15%	8%	4%
	6 to 9 times	0%	7%	2%	0%
	10 or more times	0%	0%	3%	3%
...been sent to the office for discipline?	None	88%	85%	97%	95%
	Once or twice	8%	13%	3%	4%
	3 to 5 times	4%	2%	0%	1%
	6 to 9 times	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times	0%	0%	0%	0%
...had in-school suspension (ISS)?	None	100%	93%	100%	96%
	Once or twice	0%	7%	0%	4%
	3 to 5 times	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 times	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times	0%	0%	0%	0%
...been suspended from school (out-of-school suspension/ OSS)?	None	100%	98%	100%	100%
	Once or twice	0%	2%	0%	0%
	3 to 5 times	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 times	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times	0%	0%	0%	0%

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TABLE 6
PERCEPTIONS OF SAFETY; AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION
Big Stone County

			Grade			
			5th %	8th %	9th %	11th %
How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?	I feel safe going to and from school.	Strongly agree	54%	46%	49%	64%
		Agree	42%	54%	48%	34%
		Disagree	4%	0%	2%	3%
		Strongly disagree	0%	0%	2%	0%
	I feel safe at school.	Strongly agree	54%	33%	49%	55%
		Agree	42%	61%	41%	40%
		Disagree	4%	6%	6%	5%
		Strongly disagree	0%	0%	3%	0%
	I feel safe in my neighborhood.	Strongly agree	65%	52%	56%	62%
		Agree	31%	48%	40%	34%
		Disagree	4%	0%	3%	4%
		Strongly disagree	0%	0%	2%	0%
	I feel safe at home.^	Strongly agree	88%	65%	68%	78%
		Agree	12%	35%	32%	22%
		Disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%
		Strongly disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%
Where do you usually GO after school?^ (Mark all that apply)	I stay at my school or go to another school	15%	30%	30%	26%	
	Your home or another home such as a friend's, relative's or neighbor's	96%	91%	89%	84%	
	A rec, community or other youth center	12%	11%	6%	12%	
	A park or other outdoor space	0%	19%	10%	6%	
	A library	4%	6%	3%	0%	
	A church, synagogue, mosque, or other spiritual/religious place	4%	17%	11%	5%	
	A job*			14%	47%	
	Some other place, such as a mall or movie theatre	4%	11%	13%	5%	
During a typical week, how often are you home alone or somewhere unsupervised after school?	0 days	38%	15%	22%	39%	
	1 day	12%	33%	24%	14%	
	2 days	23%	11%	21%	13%	
	3 days	15%	17%	11%	14%	
	4 days	4%	9%	6%	1%	
	5 days	8%	15%	16%	18%	

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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TABLE 7
BEING BULLIED FOR SPECIFIC REASONS^

Big Stone County

During the last 30 days, how often have other students harassed or bullied you for any of the following reasons?		Grade			
		5th %	8th %	9th %	11th %
Your race, ethnicity or national origin	Never	96%	93%	97%	99%
	Once or twice	4%	4%	2%	0%
	About once a week	0%	0%	2%	1%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Every day	0%	4%	0%	0%
Your religion	Never	92%	93%	94%	96%
	Once or twice	8%	6%	5%	3%
	About once a week	0%	2%	2%	1%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%
Your gender (being male or female)	Never	85%	87%	90%	97%
	Once or twice	15%	6%	8%	3%
	About once a week	0%	7%	2%	0%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%
Because you are gay or lesbian or because someone thought you were*	Never		93%	86%	97%
	Once or twice		6%	11%	1%
	About once a week		0%	3%	0%
	Several times a week		2%	0%	1%
	Every day		0%	0%	0%
A physical or mental disability	Never	100%	87%	94%	95%
	Once or twice	0%	11%	3%	1%
	About once a week	0%	0%	3%	0%
	Several times a week	0%	2%	0%	3%
	Every day	0%	0%	0%	1%
Your weight or physical appearance	Never	88%	69%	71%	81%
	Once or twice	12%	24%	17%	14%
	About once a week	0%	2%	3%	1%
	Several times a week	0%	2%	6%	1%
	Every day	0%	4%	2%	3%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 8
VICTIMIZATION AT SCHOOL; CYBERBULLYING[^]
Big Stone County

			Grade			
			5th	8th	9th	11th
			%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days have other students at school...	...stolen or deliberately damaged your property such as clothing, books or car?	0 days	88%	91%	94%	91%
		1 day	8%	7%	6%	4%
		2 or 3 days	4%	2%	0%	4%
		4 or 5 days	0%	0%	0%	1%
		6 or more days	0%	0%	0%	0%
	...offered, sold or given you an illegal drug?	0 days	96%	100%	100%	96%
		1 day	0%	0%	0%	1%
		2 or 3 days	4%	0%	0%	1%
		4 or 5 days	0%	0%	0%	0%
		6 or more days	0%	0%	0%	1%
	...threatened or injured you with a weapon (gun, knife, club, etc.)?	0 days	100%	98%	97%	97%
		1 day	0%	2%	3%	1%
		2 or 3 days	0%	0%	0%	0%
		4 or 5 days	0%	0%	0%	0%
		6 or more days	0%	0%	0%	1%
During the last 30 days, how often have you been bullied through e-mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, websites or texting?	Never	100%	72%	83%	92%	
	Once or twice	0%	26%	13%	6%	
	About once a week	0%	0%	3%	0%	
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	1%	
	Every day	0%	2%	2%	0%	

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 9
BEING BULLIED OR HARASSED AT SCHOOL[^]
Big Stone County**

<i>During the last 30 days, how often have other students at school...</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
...pushed, shoved, slapped, hit or kicked you when they weren't kidding around?	Never	62%	81%	87%	99%
	Once or twice	31%	13%	10%	0%
	About once a week	8%	2%	2%	1%
	Several times a week	0%	2%	0%	0%
	Every day	0%	2%	2%	0%
...threatened to beat you up?	Never	81%	83%	89%	97%
	Once or twice	19%	13%	10%	1%
	About once a week	0%	4%	2%	1%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%
...spread mean rumors or lies about you?	Never	65%	61%	68%	75%
	Once or twice	31%	31%	19%	14%
	About once a week	4%	6%	5%	5%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	6%	4%
	Every day	0%	2%	2%	1%
...made sexual jokes, comments or gestures towards you?*	Never		67%	73%	77%
	Once or twice		22%	21%	17%
	About once a week		6%	5%	1%
	Several times a week		6%	0%	4%
	Every day		0%	2%	1%
...excluded you from friends, other students or activities?	Never	65%	63%	67%	77%
	Once or twice	27%	24%	21%	19%
	About once a week	8%	6%	5%	3%
	Several times a week	0%	6%	8%	0%
	Every day	0%	2%	0%	1%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 10
BULLYING OR HARASSING OTHER STUDENTS AT SCHOOL[^]
Big Stone County**

			Grade			
			5th	8th	9th	11th
			%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, how many times at school have YOU... [^]	...pushed, shoved slapped, hit or kicked someone when you weren't kidding around?	Never	88%	91%	94%	99%
		Once or twice	12%	7%	5%	1%
		About once a week	0%	2%	2%	0%
		Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
		Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%
	...threatened or beat someone up?	Never	92%	85%	92%	86%
		Once or twice	8%	13%	5%	13%
		About once a week	0%	0%	3%	1%
		Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
		Every day	0%	2%	0%	0%
	...spread mean rumors or lies about someone else?	Never	92%	81%	92%	97%
		Once or twice	8%	19%	8%	3%
		About once a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
		Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%
		Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%
	...made sexual jokes, comments or gestures towards someone else?*	Never		81%	98%	91%
		Once or twice		15%	2%	6%
		About once a week		4%	0%	1%
		Several times a week		0%	0%	0%
		Every day		0%	0%	1%
...excluded someone from friends, other students or activities?	Never	77%	87%	86%	94%	
	Once or twice	23%	13%	14%	6%	
	About once a week	0%	0%	0%	0%	
	Several times a week	0%	0%	0%	0%	
	Every day	0%	0%	0%	0%	
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you carry a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club ON SCHOOL PROPERTY?	0 days		100%	100%	98%	96%
	1 day		0%	0%	0%	1%
	2 or 3 days		0%	0%	2%	1%
	4 or 5 days		0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more days		0%	0%	0%	1%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 11A
USE OF TIME[^]
Big Stone County**

<i>During a typical school day, how many hours do you do each of the following outside of school?</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
Study or do homework	0 hours	8%	26%	38%	36%
	1 hour	77%	61%	51%	49%
	2 hours	15%	11%	8%	14%
	3 to 5 hours	0%	2%	3%	0%
	6 or more hours	0%	0%	0%	0%
Read for pleasure	0 hours	20%	59%	59%	78%
	1 hour	56%	30%	30%	13%
	2 hours	20%	7%	8%	8%
	3 to 5 hours	4%	4%	3%	1%
	6 or more hours	0%	0%	0%	0%
Do creative things such as music or arts and crafts	0 hours	29%	39%	51%	55%
	1 hour	50%	43%	29%	23%
	2 hours	13%	11%	13%	13%
	3 to 5 hours	8%	2%	3%	8%
	6 or more hours	0%	6%	5%	1%
Go outside, take a walk or go for a bike ride	0 hours	8%	30%	30%	36%
	1 hour	73%	44%	38%	42%
	2 hours	8%	15%	19%	16%
	3 to 5 hours	8%	7%	10%	5%
	6 or more hours	4%	4%	3%	1%
During a typical week, how many hours do you work for pay outside of the regular school day?*	0 hours		50%	62%	26%
	1 to 2 hours		24%	8%	9%
	3 to 5 hours		17%	10%	16%
	6 to 10 hours		2%	6%	24%
	11 to 20 hours		6%	11%	17%
	21 to 30 hours		2%	2%	5%
	31 or more hours		0%	2%	3%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 11B
USE OF TIME[^]
Big Stone County**

<i>During a typical school day, how many hours do you do each of the following outside of school?</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
Watch TV shows, movies or videos on a TV, computer or phone	0 hours	19%	2%	6%	12%
	1 hour	42%	33%	30%	43%
	2 hours	19%	33%	43%	22%
	3 to 5 hours	15%	20%	17%	16%
	6 or more hours	4%	11%	3%	8%
Talk on the phone or use an app	0 hours	35%	20%	25%	18%
	1 hour	62%	28%	35%	38%
	2 hours	0%	26%	19%	18%
	3 to 5 hours	4%	17%	16%	16%
	6 or more hours	0%	9%	5%	9%
Text	0 hours	69%	19%	16%	10%
	1 hour	19%	28%	25%	25%
	2 hours	12%	11%	10%	16%
	3 to 5 hours	0%	17%	30%	12%
	6 or more hours	0%	26%	19%	38%
Play video or online games	0 hours	40%	41%	49%	52%
	1 hour	40%	30%	29%	18%
	2 hours	16%	9%	16%	13%
	3 to 5 hours	4%	4%	3%	12%
	6 or more hours	0%	17%	3%	5%
Use the computer	0 hours	38%	19%	35%	31%
	1 hour	54%	44%	43%	44%
	2 hours	8%	20%	14%	16%
	3 to 5 hours	0%	9%	6%	9%
	6 or more hours	0%	7%	2%	0%

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**TABLE 12A
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES^**

Big Stone County

			Grade			
			5th	8th	9th	11th
			%	%	%	%
Does your school or community offer a variety of programs for people your age to participate in outside of the regular school day?	Yes		81%	72%	70%	71%
	No		12%	4%	13%	10%
	I don't know what programs are available in my community		8%	24%	17%	18%
During a typical week, how often do you participate in the following activities outside of the regular school day?	Club or community sports teams, such as park and rec teams, in-house teams or traveling teams	0 days	31%	30%	79%	81%
		1 day	38%	11%	8%	5%
		2 days	8%	8%	6%	0%
		3 to 4 days	19%	19%	0%	3%
		5 or more days	4%	32%	6%	12%
	School sports teams*	0 days			38%	38%
		1 day			0%	3%
		2 days			2%	4%
		3 to 4 days			16%	8%
		5 or more days			44%	47%
	School sponsored activities or clubs that are not sports, such as drama, music, chess or science club	0 days	96%	65%	56%	62%
		1 day	4%	17%	13%	9%
		2 days	0%	11%	17%	13%
		3 to 4 days	0%	4%	11%	5%
		5 or more days	0%	4%	3%	10%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask this question.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 12B
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES[^]**

Big Stone County

<i>During a typical week, how often do you participate in the following activities outside of the regular school day?</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
Tutoring, homework help or academic programs	0 days	88%	96%	97%	96%
	1 day	8%	4%	3%	1%
	2 days	4%	0%	0%	1%
	3 to 4 days	0%	0%	0%	1%
	5 or more days	0%	0%	0%	0%
Leadership activities such as student government, youth councils or committees	0 days	96%	87%	83%	82%
	1 day	4%	13%	16%	14%
	2 days	0%	0%	0%	1%
	3 to 4 days	0%	0%	0%	1%
	5 or more days	0%	0%	2%	1%
Lessons, such as music, dance, tennis or karate lessons	0 days	50%	59%	67%	87%
	1 day	31%	24%	24%	9%
	2 days	4%	13%	3%	1%
	3 to 4 days	4%	4%	3%	3%
	5 or more days	12%	0%	3%	0%
Other community clubs and programs such as 4-H, Scouts, Y-clubs or Community Ed	0 days	65%	87%	84%	94%
	1 day	35%	13%	16%	4%
	2 days	0%	0%	0%	1%
	3 to 4 days	0%	0%	0%	0%
	5 or more days	0%	0%	0%	1%
Religious activities such as religious services, education or youth group	0 days	38%	28%	38%	48%
	1 day	50%	54%	40%	35%
	2 days	8%	17%	22%	16%
	3 to 4 days	0%	2%	0%	1%
	5 or more days	4%	0%	0%	0%

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**TABLE 13
REASONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES
Big Stone County**

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
What are the reasons you participate in activities, programs or clubs outside of the regular school day?* (Mark all that apply)	To have fun		94%		
	To be with my friends		88%		
	To try new things		50%		
	To help me succeed in school		27%		
	To help me get into college		33%		
	To be a leader or make a difference		25%		
	To feel more connected to my community		17%		
	My parents (or guardians) want me to		40%		
	It is a safe place		8%		
	Other		17%		
What are the reasons you don't participate in activities, programs or clubs outside of the regular school day?* (Mark all that apply)	I do not know what is available in my community	15%	14%	26%	11%
	Activities are not available in my community	0%	8%	3%	4%
	Activities cost too much	8%	8%	8%	8%
	My parents (or guardians) won't let me	15%	10%	5%	3%
	My friends are not there	15%	27%	26%	20%
	I am not interested	69%	69%	68%	76%
	I am too busy with other things, such as a job or homework	42%	43%	44%	47%
	I don't have a way to get there or home	23%	31%	18%	5%
	I have to take care of other family members	12%	10%	6%	1%
	It is not a safe place	4%	4%	3%	0%
	Other	35%	18%	31%	17%

* Only the 8th grade survey asked this question.

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**TABLE 14
FAMILY COMPOSITION AND SITUATIONS**

Big Stone County

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
Which adults do you live with?	Both biological parents	73%	72%	73%	65%
	Both adoptive parents	0%	4%	0%	3%
	Mother and stepfather	4%	13%	5%	8%
	Father and stepmother	12%	0%	2%	4%
	Mother and partner	4%	2%	0%	0%
	Father and partner	0%	0%	2%	0%
	Mother only	4%	4%	10%	12%
	Father only	0%	2%	3%	8%
	Sometimes with mother, sometimes with father	4%	4%	5%	0%
	Other (relatives, foster care, etc)	0%	0%	0%	1%
	No adults	0%	0%	2%	0%
During the past 12 months, have you stayed in a shelter, somewhere not intended as a place to live, or someone else's home because you had no other place to stay?* [^]	No		94%	97%	95%
	Yes, with my parents or an adult family member		6%	3%	4%
	Yes, on my own without any adult family members		0%	0%	1%
Have any of your parents or guardians ever been in jail or prison?* [^]	None of my parents or guardians has ever been in jail or prison		94%	83%	87%
	Yes, I have a parent or guardian in jail or prison right now		0%	0%	0%
	Yes, I have had a parent or guardian in jail or prison in the past		6%	17%	13%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 15
PARENTAL COMMUNICATION**

Big Stone County

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
Can you talk to your father about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	58%	28%	41%	45%
	Yes, some of the time	31%	43%	30%	27%
	No, not very often	4%	17%	21%	13%
	No, not at all	4%	4%	3%	6%
	My father is not around	4%	9%	5%	8%
Can you talk to your mother about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	73%	59%	60%	66%
	Yes, some of the time	15%	31%	24%	19%
	No, not very often	8%	4%	10%	6%
	No, not at all	4%	4%	5%	5%
	My mother is not around	0%	2%	2%	3%

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TABLE 16
PERCEPTIONS OF FAMILY AND OTHERS CARING
Big Stone County

<i>How much do you feel ...</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
... your parents care about you?	Not at all	0%	2%	2%	1%
	A little	8%	4%	3%	3%
	Some	0%	4%	8%	4%
	Quite a bit	4%	9%	16%	14%
	Very much	88%	81%	71%	78%
... other adult relatives care about you?	Not at all	0%	2%	2%	1%
	A little	4%	7%	2%	4%
	Some	0%	2%	13%	9%
	Quite a bit	31%	37%	30%	34%
	Very much	65%	52%	54%	52%
... friends care about you?	Not at all	0%	4%	2%	0%
	A little	8%	4%	6%	6%
	Some	19%	17%	14%	19%
	Quite a bit	42%	52%	44%	44%
	Very much	31%	24%	33%	30%
... teachers/other adults at school care about you?	Not at all	4%	7%	3%	3%
	A little	15%	17%	11%	18%
	Some	8%	46%	46%	40%
	Quite a bit	31%	22%	33%	27%
	Very much	42%	7%	6%	12%
... adults in your community care about you?	Not at all	4%	4%	6%	8%
	A little	8%	24%	19%	23%
	Some	27%	35%	29%	35%
	Quite a bit	35%	22%	37%	21%
	Very much	27%	15%	10%	13%

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**TABLE 17
FAMILY SUBSTANCE ABUSE; PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL
VIOLENCE**

Big Stone County

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
Do you live with anyone who drinks too much alcohol? [^]	Yes	0%	8%	8%	13%
	No	100%	92%	92%	87%
Do you live with anyone who uses illegal drugs or abuses prescription drugs? [^]	Yes	0%	0%	3%	1%
	No	100%	100%	97%	99%
Does a parent or other adult in your home regularly swear at you, insult you or put you down? [^]	Yes	4%	4%	11%	12%
	No	96%	96%	89%	88%
Has a parent or other adult in your household ever hit, beat, kicked or physically hurt you in any way? [^]	Yes	27%	4%	3%	5%
	No	73%	96%	97%	95%
Have your parents or other adults in your home ever slapped, hit, kicked, punched or beat each other up? [^]	Yes	8%	4%	5%	6%
	No	92%	96%	95%	94%
Has any adult or other person outside of the family ever touched you sexually against your wishes or forced you to touch them sexually?	Yes	0%	2%	2%	3%
	No	100%	98%	98%	97%
Has any older or stronger member of your family ever touched you or had you touch them sexually?	Yes	0%	0%	2%	3%
	No	100%	100%	98%	97%

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 18
RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE**^**

Big Stone County

		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
Have you ever had a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship who called you names or put you down verbally?	Yes	13%	5%	16%
	No	87%	95%	84%
Have you ever had a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship who hit, slapped or physically hurt you on purpose?	Yes	2%	2%	6%
	No	98%	98%	94%
Have you ever had a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship who pressured you into having sex when you did not want to?***	Yes		5%	9%
	No		95%	91%
Have YOU ever done any of the following to a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship: called him/her names or put him/her down verbally?	Yes	6%	2%	6%
	No	94%	98%	94%
Have YOU ever done any of the following to a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship: hit, slapped or physically hurt him/her on purpose?	Yes	2%	0%	0%
	No	98%	100%	100%
Have YOU ever done any of the following to a boyfriend or girlfriend in a dating or serious relationship: pressured him/her into having sex when he/she did not want to?***	Yes		0%	0%
	No		100%	100%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** 8th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 19
GENERAL HEALTH AND HEALTH CONDITIONS
Big Stone County**

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
How would you describe your health in general?^	Excellent	15%	31%	17%	26%
	Very good	65%	41%	48%	44%
	Good	19%	20%	27%	29%
	Fair	0%	7%	6%	1%
	Poor	0%	0%	2%	0%
Do you have any physical disabilities, or long-term health problems (such as asthma, cancer, diabetes, epilepsy or something else)? Long-term means lasting 6 months or more.^	Yes	0%	17%	11%	9%
	No	100%	83%	89%	91%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?	Yes	4%	7%	8%	9%
	No	96%	93%	92%	91%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have diabetes?^	Yes	0%	2%	0%	1%
	No	100%	98%	100%	99%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have pre-diabetes?^	Yes	0%	2%	0%	1%
	No	100%	98%	100%	99%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have an allergy that requires you to carry an epi-pen?^	Yes	4%	4%	2%	3%
	No	96%	96%	98%	97%
Do you have any long-term mental health, behavioral or emotional problems? Long-term means lasting 6 months or more.^	Yes	8%	7%	6%	5%
	No	92%	93%	94%	95%
How would YOU describe your weight?	Underweight	12%	2%	2%	11%
	About the right weight	88%	76%	75%	67%
	Overweight	0%	22%	24%	22%
Weight status* according to Body Mass Index (BMI)**	Not overweight		77%	72%	73%
	Overweight		15%	15%	11%
	Obese		9%	13%	16%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

** Body Mass Index (BMI) is a number calculated from a child's self-reported weight and height. BMI is calculated using a standard formula. BMI-for-age percentiles are used to interpret BMI numbers for children and teens. CDC BMI-for-age growth charts were used to determine weight status according to BMI for participants in the Minnesota Student Survey.

Not overweight: Less than the 85th percentile
Overweight: 85th to less than the 95th percentile
Obese: Equal to or greater than the 95th percentile

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**TABLE 20
HEALTH CARE ACCESS
Big Stone County**

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
When was the last time you saw a doctor or nurse for a check-up or physical exam when you were not sick or injured?	During the last year	81%	56%	60%	65%
	Between 1 and 2 years ago	12%	39%	33%	29%
	More than 2 years ago	4%	0%	5%	4%
	Never	4%	6%	2%	3%
When was the last time you saw a dentist or dental hygienist for a regular check-up, exam or teeth cleaning or other dental work?^	During the last year	92%	85%	84%	92%
	Between 1 and 2 years ago	4%	6%	10%	5%
	More than 2 years ago	4%	6%	6%	3%
	Never	0%	4%	0%	0%
Have you ever been treated for a mental health, emotional or behavioral problem?* (Mark ALL that apply)	No		87%	92%	89%
	Yes, during the last year		6%	6%	5%
	Yes, more than a year ago		8%	3%	8%
Have you ever been treated for an alcohol or drug problem?* (Mark ALL that apply)	No		98%	98%	96%
	Yes, during the last year		2%	0%	3%
	Yes, more than a year ago		0%	2%	1%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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TABLE 21
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY; SLEEP; USE OF INDOOR TANNING DEVICE[^]
Big Stone County

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of AT LEAST 60 MINUTES PER DAY?	0 days	4%	4%	2%	5%
	1 day	0%	9%	8%	11%
	2 days	15%	11%	6%	7%
	3 days	8%	11%	8%	12%
	4 days	31%	11%	13%	8%
	5 days	19%	11%	22%	21%
	6 days	0%	15%	16%	14%
	7 days	23%	28%	25%	22%
During a typical school week, on how many days do you go to physical education (PE or gym) classes?	0 days	4%	34%	21%	95%
	1 day	0%	0%	3%	0%
	2 days	0%	6%	0%	1%
	3 days	8%	40%	2%	0%
	4 days	54%	0%	0%	1%
	5 days	35%	21%	75%	3%
During a typical school night, how many hours of sleep do you get?	4 hours or less	0%	2%	5%	4%
	5 hours	0%	6%	6%	1%
	6 hours	4%	6%	17%	10%
	7 hours	4%	28%	30%	43%
	8 hours	15%	35%	29%	30%
	9 hours	42%	19%	13%	10%
	10 or more hours	35%	6%	0%	1%
During the last 12 months, how many times did you use an indoor tanning device such as a sunlamp, sunbed or tanning booth?*	0 times		96%	98%	74%
	1 or 2 times		2%	2%	3%
	3 to 9 times		2%	0%	13%
	10 to 19 times		0%	0%	8%
	20 to 39 times		0%	0%	3%
	40 or more times		0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.
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**TABLE 22
EATING MEALS
Big Stone County**

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, on how many days did you eat breakfast? [^]	0 days	0%	4%	21%	8%
	1 day	0%	2%	5%	1%
	2 days	0%	4%	5%	13%
	3 days	0%	7%	8%	12%
	4 days	0%	11%	10%	3%
	5 days	4%	15%	13%	14%
	6 days	15%	4%	13%	13%
	7 days	81%	54%	27%	36%
During the last 30 days, have you had to skip meals because your family did not have enough money to buy food? [^]	Yes	0%	2%	2%	1%
	No	100%	98%	98%	99%
During a typical school week, where do you usually get your lunch? [^] (Mark ALL that apply)	I usually don't eat lunch	0%	7%	11%	9%
	Regular school lunch from the cafeteria	92%	81%	87%	82%
	The a la carte line (buy individual items)	27%	41%	37%	27%
	School store or vending machine	0%	7%	0%	1%
	Fast food restaurant, gas station or somewhere else outside of school	0%	6%	13%	31%
	I bring lunch from home	31%	17%	10%	12%
Do you currently get free or reduced-price lunch at school?	Yes	19%	20%	17%	15%
	No	81%	80%	83%	85%

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 23A
NUTRITION[^]
Big Stone County**

During the last 7 days, how many times did you...		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you drink 100% fruit juices such as orange, apple or grape juice?	I did NOT eat or drink this	19%	9%	17%	19%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	46%	48%	37%	39%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	15%	17%	25%	21%
	1 time per day	12%	11%	13%	6%
	2 times per day	8%	11%	5%	8%
	3 times per day	0%	0%	0%	3%
	4 or more times per day	0%	4%	3%	4%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you eat fruit?	I did NOT eat or drink this	4%	7%	10%	9%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	35%	46%	37%	40%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	23%	19%	25%	14%
	1 time per day	4%	11%	14%	16%
	2 times per day	19%	13%	11%	13%
	3 times per day	12%	4%	2%	5%
	4 or more times per day	4%	0%	2%	3%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you eat green salad, potatoes, carrots or other vegetables (Do not count French fries, fried potatoes, or potato chips)?	I did NOT eat or drink this	4%	11%	11%	17%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	58%	35%	35%	27%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	8%	17%	33%	17%
	1 time per day	15%	20%	10%	18%
	2 times per day	8%	15%	8%	16%
	3 times per day	4%	0%	2%	1%
	4 or more times per day	4%	2%	2%	4%
During the last 7 days, how many times did you eat from a fast food restaurant, including carry-out or delivery?	I did NOT eat or drink this	54%	47%	46%	53%
	1 to 3 times in the last 7 days	46%	47%	52%	42%
	4 to 6 times in the last 7 days	0%	4%	0%	3%
	1 time per day	0%	0%	2%	3%
	2 times per day	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3 times per day	0%	2%	0%	0%
	4 or more times per day	0%	0%	0%	0%

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**TABLE 23B
NUTRITION
Big Stone County**

How many cans, bottles or glasses of each of the following did you drink yesterday?		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
Milk	0	4%	6%	19%	17%
	1 to 2	54%	44%	35%	47%
	3 to 4	31%	28%	33%	22%
	5 to 6	12%	13%	5%	5%
	7 or more	0%	9%	8%	9%
Pop or soda	0	50%	37%	41%	57%
	1 to 2	46%	43%	44%	36%
	3 to 4	4%	9%	6%	7%
	5 to 6	0%	6%	3%	1%
	7 or more	0%	6%	5%	0%
Sports drinks, such as Gatorade or Powerade	0	73%	56%	70%	56%
	1 to 2	23%	22%	17%	34%
	3 to 4	4%	13%	10%	8%
	5 to 6	0%	7%	2%	1%
	7 or more	0%	2%	2%	1%
Energy drinks, such as Red Bull or Jolt[^]	0	96%	87%	92%	91%
	1 to 2	4%	11%	6%	8%
	3 to 4	0%	0%	2%	0%
	5 to 6	0%	2%	0%	1%
	7 or more	0%	0%	0%	0%
Other sugar-sweetened drinks, such as sweet tea, lemonade, coffee drinks or juice drinks[^]	0	50%	37%	54%	61%
	1 to 2	50%	48%	38%	29%
	3 to 4	0%	11%	8%	6%
	5 to 6	0%	4%	0%	3%
	7 or more	0%	0%	0%	1%
Water	0	0%	2%	5%	8%
	1 to 2	15%	22%	22%	25%
	3 to 4	54%	19%	33%	22%
	5 to 6	23%	20%	24%	25%
	7 or more	8%	37%	16%	21%

[^] New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 24
VEHICLE SAFETY
Big Stone County**

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
When driving a car, how often do you wear a seat belt?*	I don't drive a car			51%	5%
	I never do this			3%	4%
	Sometimes			6%	17%
	Often			11%	13%
	Always			29%	61%
When driving a car, how often do you read incoming text messages or emails?**^	I don't drive a car			59%	5%
	I never do this			27%	22%
	Sometimes			5%	43%
	Often			2%	23%
	Always			8%	6%
When driving a car, how often do you send text messages or emails?**^	I don't drive a car			59%	5%
	I never do this			29%	34%
	Sometimes			3%	34%
	Often			2%	22%
	Always			8%	5%
When driving a car, how often do you make or answer a phone call?**^	I don't drive a car			59%	5%
	I never do this			21%	14%
	Sometimes			10%	42%
	Often			6%	21%
	Always			5%	18%
How often do you wear a seat belt when you ride in the FRONT seat of a car?^	I don't ride in the front seat	15%	0%	0%	0%
	Always	69%	54%	59%	61%
	Often	12%	22%	30%	18%
	Sometimes	4%	19%	8%	18%
	I never wear a seatbelt	0%	6%	3%	3%
How often do you wear a seat belt when you ride in the BACK seat of a car?^	I don't ride in the back seat	0%	6%	3%	4%
	Always	85%	39%	40%	43%
	Often	12%	24%	33%	19%
	Sometimes	4%	26%	21%	23%
	I never wear a seatbelt	0%	6%	3%	10%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 25A
SELF DESCRIPTION[^]**

Big Stone County

<i>In general, how does each of the following statements describe you?</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
I feel in control of my life and future.*	Not at all or rarely	27%	6%	5%	3%
	Somewhat or sometimes	15%	22%	30%	14%
	Very or often	35%	50%	40%	45%
	Extremely or almost always	23%	22%	25%	38%
I feel good about myself.	Not at all or rarely	0%	6%	3%	1%
	Somewhat or sometimes	12%	31%	24%	23%
	Very or often	54%	41%	60%	47%
	Extremely or almost always	35%	22%	13%	29%
I feel good about my future.	Not at all or rarely	0%	0%	5%	1%
	Somewhat or sometimes	15%	20%	25%	16%
	Very or often	38%	43%	43%	53%
	Extremely or almost always	46%	37%	27%	30%
I deal with disappointment without getting too upset.	Not at all or rarely	12%	7%	14%	8%
	Somewhat or sometimes	31%	48%	41%	34%
	Very or often	35%	33%	37%	43%
	Extremely or almost always	23%	11%	8%	16%
I find good ways to deal with things that are hard in my life.	Not at all or rarely	12%	6%	10%	3%
	Somewhat or sometimes	19%	46%	35%	32%
	Very or often	54%	33%	46%	47%
	Extremely or almost always	15%	15%	10%	18%
I am thinking about what my purpose is in life.**	Not at all or rarely	0%	11%	10%	4%
	Somewhat or sometimes	12%	31%	30%	25%
	Very or often	46%	39%	40%	43%
	Extremely or almost always	42%	19%	21%	29%

* On the 5th grade survey, this item was worded "I can shape and influence what happens in my life and future."

** On the 5th grade survey, this item was worded "I think about what I want to do in my life when I grow up."

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**TABLE 25B
SELF DESCRIPTION[^]
Big Stone County**

<i>In general, how does each of the following statements describe you?</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
I say no to things that are dangerous or unhealthy.	Not at all or rarely	0%	8%	2%	4%
	Somewhat or sometimes	4%	25%	27%	27%
	Very or often	31%	19%	33%	23%
	Extremely or almost always	65%	49%	38%	45%
I build friendships with other people.	Not at all or rarely	0%	2%	5%	5%
	Somewhat or sometimes	15%	43%	27%	27%
	Very or often	42%	41%	44%	35%
	Extremely or almost always	42%	15%	24%	32%
I express my feelings in proper ways.	Not at all or rarely	4%	4%	8%	5%
	Somewhat or sometimes	31%	43%	33%	30%
	Very or often	35%	39%	51%	49%
	Extremely or almost always	31%	15%	8%	16%
I plan ahead and make good choices.	Not at all or rarely	8%	6%	11%	3%
	Somewhat or sometimes	19%	35%	37%	40%
	Very or often	35%	37%	35%	34%
	Extremely or almost always	38%	22%	17%	23%
I stay away from bad influences.	Not at all or rarely	4%	4%	6%	5%
	Somewhat or sometimes	8%	37%	27%	27%
	Very or often	31%	35%	41%	30%
	Extremely or almost always	58%	24%	25%	38%
I resolve conflicts without anyone getting hurt.	Not at all or rarely	4%	9%	3%	1%
	Somewhat or sometimes	19%	43%	40%	23%
	Very or often	62%	31%	41%	48%
	Extremely or almost always	15%	17%	16%	27%

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**TABLE 25C
SELF DESCRIPTION[^]**

Big Stone County

<i>In general, how does each of the following statements describe you?</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
I accept people who are different from me.	Not at all or rarely	4%	2%	0%	0%
	Somewhat or sometimes	8%	30%	21%	18%
	Very or often	46%	37%	49%	43%
	Extremely or almost always	42%	31%	30%	39%
I am sensitive to the needs and feelings of others.	Not at all or rarely	8%	2%	2%	4%
	Somewhat or sometimes	23%	37%	29%	17%
	Very or often	46%	43%	43%	44%
	Extremely or almost always	23%	19%	27%	35%
I feel valued and appreciated by others.	Not at all or rarely	4%	6%	8%	3%
	Somewhat or sometimes	23%	44%	27%	29%
	Very or often	42%	37%	52%	47%
	Extremely or almost always	31%	13%	13%	22%
I am included in family tasks and decisions.	Not at all or rarely	8%	2%	8%	6%
	Somewhat or sometimes	8%	19%	21%	19%
	Very or often	38%	56%	52%	51%
	Extremely or almost always	46%	24%	19%	23%
I am given useful roles and responsibilities.	Not at all or rarely	4%	0%	3%	5%
	Somewhat or sometimes	19%	31%	25%	23%
	Very or often	35%	43%	48%	43%
	Extremely or almost always	42%	26%	24%	29%

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TABLE 26A
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING AND DISTRESS*^

Big Stone County

<i>During the last 12 months, have you had SIGNIFICANT problems with...</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
...feeling very trapped, lonely, sad, blue, depressed or hopeless about the future?	Yes	17%	25%	13%
	No	83%	75%	87%
...sleep trouble, such as bad dreams, sleeping restlessly or falling asleep during the day?	Yes	37%	25%	20%
	No	63%	75%	80%
...feeling very anxious, nervous, tense, scared, panicked or like something bad was going to happen?	Yes	33%	22%	18%
	No	67%	78%	82%
...becoming very distressed and upset when something reminded you of the past?	Yes	34%	29%	25%
	No	66%	71%	75%
...thinking about ending your life or committing suicide?	Yes	6%	10%	5%
	No	94%	90%	95%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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Question introduction reads: This question asks about SIGNIFICANT problems. Problems are considered significant when you have them for two or more weeks, when they keep coming back, keep you from meeting your responsibilities, or make you feel like you can't go on.

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**TABLE 26B
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING AND DISTRESS**^**

Big Stone County

Thinking back the last 30 days, how much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?		Grade
		5th
		%
I worry a lot	Strongly agree	23%
	Agree	15%
	Neither agree nor disagree	23%
	Disagree	19%
	Strongly disagree	19%
I sometimes feel bad without knowing why	Strongly agree	19%
	Agree	35%
	Neither agree nor disagree	23%
	Disagree	12%
	Strongly disagree	12%

* Only 5th grade survey asked these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 27
SELF-INFLICTED INJURY; SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR*^
Big Stone County

		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how many times did you do something to purposely hurt or injure yourself without wanting to die, such as cutting, burning, or bruising yourself on purpose?	0 times	94%	85%	99%
	1 or 2 times	6%	2%	1%
	3 to 5 times	0%	3%	0%
	6 to 9 times	0%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 times	0%	2%	0%
	20 or more times	0%	6%	0%
Have you ever seriously considered attempting suicide? (Mark all that apply)	No	91%	84%	91%
	Yes, during the last year	6%	8%	5%
	Yes, more than a year ago	7%	10%	6%
Have you ever actually attempted suicide? (Mark all that apply)	No	100%	94%	97%
	Yes, during the last year	0%	3%	0%
	Yes, more than a year ago	0%	3%	3%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.
 ^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 28
PROBLEMATIC AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR
Big Stone County**

During the last 12 months...			Grade			
			5th	8th	9th	11th
			%	%	%	%
...did you do any of the following TWO OR MORE TIMES?*	Lie or con to get things you wanted or to avoid having to do something	Yes		48%	56%	50%
		No		52%	44%	50%
	Have a hard time paying attention at school, work or home	Yes		46%	56%	59%
		No		54%	44%	41%
	Have a hard time listening to instructions at school, work or home	Yes		35%	40%	46%
		No		65%	60%	54%
	Be a bully or threaten other people	Yes		15%	13%	7%
		No		85%	87%	93%
	Start fights with other people	Yes		17%	8%	7%
		No		83%	92%	93%
...run away from home?	Never		96%	100%	97%	96%
	Once or twice		4%	0%	2%	4%
	3 to 5 times		0%	0%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times		0%	0%	0%	0%
...damaged or destroyed property?	Never		81%	89%	79%	96%
	Once or twice		19%	9%	19%	4%
	3 to 5 times		0%	2%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times		0%	0%	0%	0%
...hit or beat up another person?	Never		85%	81%	90%	95%
	Once or twice		15%	15%	8%	4%
	3 to 5 times		0%	4%	2%	0%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	1%
	10 or more times		0%	0%	0%	0%
...taken something from a store without paying for it?	Never		100%	96%	98%	97%
	Once or twice		0%	2%	2%	3%
	3 to 5 times		0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 times		0%	0%	0%	0%
	10 or more times		0%	2%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 29
SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE USE **

Big Stone County

		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
Use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days	No	98%	87%	78%
	Yes	2%	13%	22%
Frequent (20+ days) use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days	No	100%	97%	94%
	Yes	0%	3%	6%
Frequent binge drinking in the past year (typically drank 5 or more drinks at a time and drank on 10 or more occasions during the past year)	No	100%	100%	93%
	Yes	0%	0%	7%
Any alcohol, marijuana and/or other drug use during the past year (excluding tobacco)	No alcohol or marijuana or other drug use in the past year	73%	65%	44%
	Used only alcohol in the past year	19%	24%	48%
	Used alcohol and marijuana in the past year, but not other drugs	4%	3%	7%
	Used marijuana or other drugs in the past year, but not alcohol	0%	5%	0%
	Used alcohol and marijuana or other drugs in the past year	4%	3%	1%

** These are all computed variables based on combinations of responses to two or more survey items.

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**TABLE 30
SUBSTANCE USE AMONG 5TH GRADE STUDENTS*[^]
Big Stone County**

		Grade
		5th
		%
During the last 30 days, have you smoked any cigarettes?	Yes	0%
	No	100%
During the last 12 months, have you had alcoholic beverages to drink such as beer, wine, wine coolers and liquor?	Yes	0%
	No	100%
During the last 12 months, have you used marijuana (pot, weed) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?	Yes	0%
	No	100%
During the last 12 months, have you sniffed glue or huffed or inhaled the contents of aerosol spray cans or other gases to get high?	Yes	0%
	No	100%

* Only 5th grade survey asked these questions.

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 31
TOBACCO USE*
Big Stone County**

<i>During the last 30 days, on how many days did you ...</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
...smoke a cigarette?	0 days	100%	94%	86%
	1 to 2 days	0%	3%	6%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	2%	1%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	3%
	All 30 days	0%	2%	3%
...smoke cigars, cigarillos or little cigars?	0 days	100%	97%	95%
	1 to 2 days	0%	3%	5%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%
...use chewing tobacco, snuff or dip?	0 days	98%	90%	90%
	1 to 2 days	2%	2%	4%
	3 to 5 days	0%	3%	1%
	6 to 9 days	0%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	2%	4%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%
	All 30 days	0%	2%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 32
EXPOSURE TO SECONDHAND SMOKE[^]**

Big Stone County

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
During the last 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room as someone who was smoking cigarettes?	0 days	88%	54%	60%	70%
	1 or 2 days	12%	33%	17%	17%
	3 or 4 days	0%	4%	6%	4%
	5 or 6 days	0%	2%	8%	3%
	All 7 days	0%	8%	8%	6%
During the last 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a car with someone who was smoking cigarettes?	0 days	100%	65%	68%	69%
	1 or 2 days	0%	21%	10%	16%
	3 or 4 days	0%	8%	10%	6%
	5 or 6 days	0%	0%	5%	6%
	All 7 days	0%	6%	8%	3%

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 33
ALCOHOL USE FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY*
Big Stone County**

		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you drink one or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage?	0 days	90%	83%	62%
	1 or 2 days	4%	13%	22%
	3 to 5 days	6%	5%	12%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	3%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%
During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages to drink?	0	73%	71%	43%
	1-2	12%	10%	20%
	3-5	6%	10%	12%
	6-9	4%	5%	12%
	10-19	4%	3%	5%
	20-39	0%	2%	4%
	40+	2%	0%	4%
If you drink beer/wine/wine coolers/liquor, generally, how much (if any) do you drink at one time?	I don't drink beer/wine/wine coolers/liquor	81%	78%	53%
	1 glass/can/drink	10%	10%	12%
	2 glasses/cans/drinks	6%	6%	3%
	3 glasses/cans/drinks	0%	3%	10%
	4 glasses/cans/drinks	4%	2%	4%
	5 or more glasses/cans/drinks	0%	2%	18%
During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?^	0 days	96%	90%	79%
	1 day	2%	3%	10%
	2 days	0%	2%	4%
	3 to 5 days	2%	5%	4%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	3%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%
	20 or more days	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ New question in 2013.

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TABLE 34
ACCESS TO ALCOHOL*

Big Stone County

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
If you used alcohol in the last 30 days, how did you get it? (Mark all that apply)	I bought alcohol at gas stations or convenience stores	0%	0%	0%
	I bought alcohol at bars or restaurants	0%	0%	0%
	I bought alcohol at liquor or other stores^	20%	0%	0%
	I bought alcohol on the internet	0%	0%	0%
	I got alcohol from friends	0%	36%	45%
	I got alcohol from my parents	20%	18%	10%
	I got alcohol from other family members	20%	27%	14%
	I got alcohol by getting someone else to buy for me	0%	18%	38%
	I got alcohol at parties^	20%	36%	52%
	I took alcohol from my home	40%	55%	24%
	I took alcohol from a friend's home	0%	18%	0%
	I took alcohol from stores	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 35
AGE OF FIRST USE OF ALCOHOL AND MARIJUANA***

Big Stone County

		Grade	
		9th	11th
		%	%
How old were you when you had your first drink of an alcoholic beverage, such as beer, wine, wine coolers and liquor, other than a few sips?	I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips	48%	35%
	10 years old or younger	13%	8%
	11 years old	2%	0%
	12 years old	11%	5%
	13 years old	8%	8%
	14 years old	19%	17%
	15 years old	0%	18%
	16 years old	0%	8%
	17 years old or older	0%	1%
How old were you when you tried marijuana (pot, weed) or hashish (hash, hash oil) for the first time?	I have never tried marijuana or hashish	92%	87%
	10 years old or younger	3%	0%
	11 years old	0%	0%
	12 years old	2%	0%
	13 years old	0%	3%
	14 years old	3%	3%
	15 years old	0%	1%
	16 years old	0%	6%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 36
USE OF MARIJUANA AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS*
Big Stone County**

		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or hashish?	0 days	98%	97%	96%
	1 to 2 days	2%	0%	3%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	2%	1%
	10 to 19 days	0%	2%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%
During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you used marijuana or hashish?	0	96%	95%	92%
	1-2	0%	2%	0%
	3-5	2%	0%	3%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%
	10-19	0%	2%	4%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%
	40+	2%	2%	0%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use prescription drugs not prescribed for you?^	0 days	98%	95%	100%
	1 to 2 days	0%	2%	0%
	3 to 5 days	2%	3%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 37
PRESCRIPTION DRUG USE*[^]
Big Stone County**

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions have you used any of the following prescription drugs that were NOT prescribed for you or that you took ONLY to get high?</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
Stimulants such as Benzedrine (bennies, speed, uppers) or diet pills	0	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%
ADHD or ADD drugs like Ritalin (hyper pills)	0	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%
Pain relievers such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin or others	0	100%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	2%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%
Tranquilizers such as Valium, Xanax or sedatives or barbiturates	0	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%
	20 to 39	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

[^] Responses for 30-day (found on Table 36) and 12-month misuse of prescription drugs are inconsistent for some students. This may be due to the misinterpretation of a skip instruction on the survey or to slight differences in how the questions were worded. Due to these methodological issues, the results for these questions cannot be compared to the results from previous years.

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**TABLE 38
HALLUCINOGEN, ECSTASY, COCAINE AND HEROIN USE*[^]
Big Stone County**

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you used...</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
...LSD (acid), PCP (wet sticks or dipped joints), or other psychedelics (mushrooms, angel dust)?	0	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%
...MDMA (E, X, ecstasy), GHB (G, Liquid E, Liquid X, roofies) or Ketamine (Special K)?	0	100%	100%	100%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%
...crack, coke or cocaine in any other form?	0	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%
...heroin?	0	100%	100%	100%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask this question.

[^] Due to methodological issues with these questions (e.g. the possible misinterpretation of a skip instruction on the survey), the results for these questions cannot be compared to the results from previous years.

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TABLE 39
METHAMPHETAMINE, OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUG, SYNTHETIC DRUG
AND INHALANT USE*^^
Big Stone County

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
...used methamphetamine (meth, glass, crank, crystal meth, ice)?	0	100%	100%	100%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%
...used over-the-counter drugs such as cough syrup, cold medicine or diet pills that you took only to get high?^	0	100%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	2%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%
...used synthetic drugs such as bath salts (Ivory Wave, White Lightning) or synthetic marijuana (K2, Gold) that you took only to get high?^	0	100%	100%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	0%	0%
	3 to 5	0%	0%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%
...sniffed glue or huffed or inhaled the contents of aerosol spray cans or other gases to get high?	0	100%	98%	100%
	1 to 2	0%	2%	0%
	6 to 9	0%	0%	0%
	10 to 19	0%	0%	0%
	40 or more	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ New question in 2013.

^^ Due to methodological issues with these questions (e.g. the possible misinterpretation of a skip instruction on the survey), the results for these questions cannot be compared to the results from previous years.

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**TABLE 40
PERCEIVED RISK OF HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE**

Big Stone County

<i>How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they...</i>		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
... smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day?	No risk	4%	4%	5%	3%
	Slight risk	19%	10%	10%	7%
	Moderate risk	23%	13%	19%	21%
	Great risk	54%	73%	67%	69%
... have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice per week?	No risk	4%	12%	13%	5%
	Slight risk	23%	21%	14%	23%
	Moderate risk	54%	29%	35%	36%
	Great risk	19%	38%	38%	36%
... smoke marijuana once or twice per week?	No risk	8%	8%	14%	11%
	Slight risk	19%	15%	13%	21%
	Moderate risk	15%	19%	30%	27%
	Great risk	58%	58%	43%	41%
... use prescription drugs not prescribed for them? [^]	No risk	8%	6%	8%	3%
	Slight risk	8%	6%	5%	9%
	Moderate risk	31%	16%	19%	11%
	Great risk	54%	73%	68%	77%

[^] New question in 2013.

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TABLE 41
PERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS' DISAPPROVAL OF SUBSTANCE USE[^]
Big Stone County

		Grade			
		5th	8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%	%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to smoke cigarettes?	Not at all wrong	0%	0%	0%	3%
	A little bit wrong	0%	2%	0%	3%
	Wrong	0%	15%	11%	13%
	Very wrong	100%	83%	89%	81%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to have one or more drinks of alcoholic beverage nearly every day?	Not at all wrong	0%	0%	0%	1%
	A little bit wrong	0%	6%	5%	9%
	Wrong	12%	27%	17%	23%
	Very wrong	88%	67%	78%	67%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to smoke marijuana?	Not at all wrong	0%	0%	0%	1%
	A little bit wrong	0%	0%	6%	4%
	Wrong	0%	8%	5%	9%
	Very wrong	100%	92%	89%	85%
How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use prescription drugs not prescribed for you?	Not at all wrong	0%	2%	2%	1%
	A little bit wrong	0%	2%	0%	1%
	Wrong	0%	8%	6%	3%
	Very wrong	100%	88%	92%	95%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to smoke cigarettes?	Not at all wrong	0%	0%	5%	8%
	A little bit wrong	0%	6%	21%	21%
	Wrong	12%	33%	24%	24%
	Very wrong	88%	62%	51%	47%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to have one or more drinks of alcoholic beverage nearly every day?	Not at all wrong	0%	4%	16%	23%
	A little bit wrong	0%	17%	17%	31%
	Wrong	23%	29%	32%	16%
	Very wrong	77%	50%	35%	31%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to smoke marijuana?	Not at all wrong	0%	4%	13%	8%
	A little bit wrong	0%	4%	14%	20%
	Wrong	4%	17%	22%	17%
	Very wrong	96%	75%	51%	55%
How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to use prescription drugs not prescribed for you?	Not at all wrong	0%	2%	0%	5%
	A little bit wrong	0%	6%	10%	4%
	Wrong	12%	21%	21%	17%
	Very wrong	88%	71%	70%	73%

[^] All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 42
FEELINGS AND PERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS' FEELINGS ABOUT
ALCOHOL USE*^**

Big Stone County

		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
How do you feel about each of the following statements: Parents and other adults should clearly communicate with their children about the importance of not using alcohol?	Strongly agree	54%	46%	48%
	Agree	37%	32%	32%
	Neither agree nor disagree	10%	21%	17%
	Disagree	0%	2%	3%
	Strongly disagree	0%	0%	0%
How do you feel about each of the following statements: Drinking alcohol is never a good thing for anyone my age to do?	Strongly agree	56%	43%	44%
	Agree	25%	24%	23%
	Neither agree nor disagree	15%	27%	27%
	Disagree	2%	3%	5%
	Strongly disagree	2%	3%	1%
How do you think MOST STUDENTS in your school feel about each of the following statements: Parents and other adults should clearly communicate with their children about the importance of not using alcohol?	Strongly agree	19%	14%	7%
	Agree	50%	44%	37%
	Neither agree nor disagree	21%	24%	40%
	Disagree	8%	11%	12%
	Strongly disagree	2%	6%	4%
How do you think MOST STUDENTS in your school feel about each of the following statements: Drinking alcohol is never a good thing for anyone my age to do?	Strongly agree	23%	14%	5%
	Agree	38%	35%	19%
	Neither agree nor disagree	25%	30%	37%
	Disagree	13%	13%	25%
	Strongly disagree	0%	8%	13%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 43
USE OF TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND MARIJUANA*^
Big Stone County

<i>How often do you use each of the following?</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
Tobacco (cigarettes, chew)	Never	96%	81%	73%
	Tried once or twice	2%	10%	11%
	Once or twice a year	2%	2%	4%
	Once a month	0%	0%	3%
	Twice a month	0%	2%	1%
	Once a week	0%	3%	1%
	Daily	0%	3%	7%
Alcohol (beer, wine, liquor)	Never	75%	68%	45%
	Tried once or twice	12%	8%	12%
	Once or twice a year	12%	11%	11%
	Once a month	2%	6%	12%
	Twice a month	0%	5%	13%
	Once a week	0%	2%	5%
	Daily	0%	0%	1%
Marijuana (pot, hash, hash oil)	Never	98%	94%	85%
	Tried once or twice	0%	3%	8%
	Once or twice a year	0%	0%	3%
	Once a month	2%	0%	1%
	Twice a month	0%	0%	1%
	Once a week	0%	3%	1%
	Daily	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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TABLE 44
PERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS' USE OF TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND
MARIJUANA*^
Big Stone County

<i>In your opinion, how often do you think MOST STUDENTS in your school use each of the following?</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
Tobacco (cigarettes, chew)	Never	38%	19%	16%
	Tried once or twice	21%	17%	11%
	Once or twice a year	6%	3%	7%
	Once a month	12%	10%	5%
	Twice a month	2%	10%	8%
	Once a week	10%	19%	17%
	Daily	12%	22%	36%
Alcohol (beer, wine, liquor)	Never	33%	14%	9%
	Tried once or twice	13%	11%	4%
	Once or twice a year	4%	3%	4%
	Once a month	17%	11%	5%
	Twice a month	8%	14%	12%
	Once a week	21%	32%	43%
	Daily	4%	14%	23%
Marijuana (pot, hash, hash oil)	Never	46%	27%	23%
	Tried once or twice	21%	24%	17%
	Once or twice a year	2%	10%	8%
	Once a month	8%	6%	5%
	Twice a month	8%	5%	8%
	Once a week	12%	11%	16%
	Daily	4%	17%	23%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ All questions on this table were new in 2013.

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**TABLE 45A
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE***

Big Stone County

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
...have you found that you had to use a lot more alcohol or drugs than before to get the same effect?	No or no use	98%	98%	95%
	Yes	2%	2%	5%
...have you tried to cut down on your use of alcohol or drugs but couldn't?	No or no use	100%	100%	96%
	Yes	0%	0%	4%
...have you continued to use alcohol or drugs even though you knew it was hurting your relationships with friends or family?	No or no use	100%	95%	95%
	Yes	0%	5%	5%
...how many times have you spent all or most of the day using alcohol or drugs, or getting over their effects?	0 times or no use	100%	94%	95%
	1 time	0%	5%	1%
	2 times	0%	2%	1%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	3%
...how many times have you given up important social or recreational activities like sports or being with friends or relatives to use alcohol or drugs or to get over their effects?	0 times or no use	100%	100%	99%
	1 time	0%	0%	0%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	1%
...how many times have you missed work or school, or neglected other major responsibilities because of alcohol or drug use?	0 times or no use	100%	98%	99%
	1 time	0%	2%	0%
	2 times	0%	0%	1%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 45B
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE***

Big Stone County

During the last 12 months, how many times...		Grade		
		8th	9th	11th
		%	%	%
...have you driven a motor vehicle after using alcohol or drugs?**	0 times or no use		98%	83%
	1 time		2%	9%
	2 times		0%	3%
	3 or more times		0%	5%
...have you hit someone or become violent while using alcohol or drugs?	0 times or no use	100%	100%	100%
	1 time	0%	0%	0%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	0%
...have you used so much alcohol or drugs that the next day you could not remember what you had said or done?	0 times or no use	100%	94%	87%
	1 time	0%	6%	4%
	2 times	0%	0%	4%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	5%
...have you used more alcohol or drugs than you intended to?	0 times or no use	100%	97%	85%
	1 time	0%	0%	5%
	2 times	0%	3%	4%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	5%
...has alcohol or drug use left you feeling depressed, agitated, paranoid, or unable to concentrate?	0 times or no use	100%	95%	99%
	1 time	0%	5%	0%
	2 times	0%	0%	0%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	1%
...has alcohol or drug use caused you problems with the law?	0 times or no use	100%	97%	94%
	1 time	0%	3%	5%
	2 times	0%	0%	1%
	3 or more times	0%	0%	0%

* 5th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** 8th grade survey did not ask this question.

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**TABLE 46
SEXUAL ORIENTATION; SEXUAL BEHAVIOR***

Big Stone County

		Grade	
		9th	11th
		%	%
Which of the following best describes you?^	Heterosexual (straight)	86%	97%
	Bisexual	3%	1%
	Gay or lesbian	0%	0%
	Not sure (questioning)	11%	1%
Have you ever had sexual intercourse ('had sex')?	Yes	10%	49%
	No	90%	51%
During the last 12 months, with how many different male partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	95%	75%
	1 person	3%	13%
	2 persons	0%	5%
	3 persons	2%	0%
	4 persons	0%	4%
	5 persons	0%	3%
	6 or more persons	0%	0%
During the last 12 months, with how many different female partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	95%	75%
	1 person	3%	18%
	2 persons	2%	4%
	3 persons	0%	3%
	4 persons	0%	0%
	5 persons	0%	0%
	6 or more persons	0%	0%
How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?	0 times	100%	100%
	1 time	0%	0%
	2 or more times	0%	0%
	Not sure	0%	0%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 47
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR*
Big Stone County**

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE		Grade	
		9th	11th
		%	%
Have you talked with your partner(s) about protecting yourselves from getting sexually transmitted infections/HIV/AIDS?	Never	33%	32%
	Not with every partner	17%	11%
	At least once with every partner	50%	57%
Have you talked with your partner(s) about preventing pregnancy?	Never	50%	22%
	Not with every partner	0%	8%
	At least once with every partner	50%	70%
The LAST time you had sexual intercourse, what ONE method did you or your partner use to prevent pregnancy?^	No method was used to prevent pregnancy	0%	9%
	Birth control pills	0%	20%
	Condoms	67%	54%
	Depo-Provera/any birth control shot, Nuva Ring/any birth control ring, Implanon/any implant or any IUD	0%	6%
	Withdrawal (pull-out)	33%	11%
	Some other method	0%	0%
	Not sure	0%	0%
The LAST time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?	Yes	67%	71%
	No	33%	29%
Did you drink alcohol or use drugs before you had sexual intercourse the LAST time?^	Yes	17%	8%
	No	83%	92%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

^ New question in 2013.

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**TABLE 48
REASONS FOR SEXUAL ABSTINENCE***

Big Stone County

		Grade	
		9th	11th
		%	%
If you do not have sexual intercourse, what factors influence your choice not to? (Mark all that apply)	I don't want to have sex	42%	38%
	My partner doesn't want to have sex[^]	7%	10%
	I have not had a chance to have sex[^]	27%	44%
	My friends don't have sex	18%	8%
	I don't think it's right for a person my age to have sex	65%	41%
	I have chosen to wait until I am married	44%	38%
	My religious or spiritual beliefs	38%	44%
	My parent(s) would object	55%	49%
	What my parents have taught me about sex	24%	33%
	What sex education at school has taught me	25%	23%
	Fear of pregnancy	53%	56%
	Fear of sexually transmitted diseases	47%	44%
	Other reason(s)	16%	18%

* 5th and 8th grade surveys did not ask these questions.

[^] New question in 2013.