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2010 MINNESOTA STUDENT SURVEY

Survey Participation

The 2010 Minnesota Student Survey was administered in the spring of 2010 to public school students in Grades 6, 9, and 12 statewide. All public school districts in Minnesota were invited to participate. Of the 335 public operating districts, 295 agreed to participate (88% of public operating school districts).

Student participation was voluntary and surveys were anonymous. Across the state, approximately 79% of public school sixth graders, 75% of public school ninth graders, and 59% of public school twelfth graders participated in the 2010 Minnesota Student Survey. Overall participation across the three grades was approximately 71% of total enrollment.

The majority of schools in the state used an opt-out consent procedure for the survey (meaning that parents could decline to have their children take the survey). A few school districts used an active consent process (meaning parents were required to return a signed permission slip before their children took the survey). Not every student who participated in the survey answered every question.

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 page iv. The Grade 6 survey version was shorter than the Grade 9-12 version and did not include items appropriate only for older students. Items found on one version of the survey but not the other are identified on the tables.

New Questions and Year-to-Year Comparisons

A small number of the 2010 survey instrument questions were changed from the 2007 survey instrument. New questions and questions with changed wording 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 3% 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
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		N	%	N	%	N	%
Total number of surveys		649	100%	632	100%	477	100%
Gender	Male	334	51%	289	46%	254	53%
	Female	315	49%	343	54%	223	47%
Age	11 or younger	212	33%	0	0%	0	0%
	12	425	65%	0	0%	0	0%
	13	12	2%	0	0%	0	0%
	14	0	0%	216	34%	0	0%
	15	0	0%	401	63%	0	0%
	16	0	0%	11	2%	2	0%
	17	0	0%	3	0%	150	31%
	18	0	0%	0	0%	315	66%
	19-20	0	0%	0	0%	6	1%
	No answer	0	0%	1	0%	4	1%
Race/ethnicity	American Indian	4	1%	6	1%	0	0%
	Black or African American	35	5%	20	3%	14	3%
	Hispanic or Latino	22	3%	14	2%	9	2%
	Asian American or Pacific Islander	10	2%	19	3%	9	2%
	White	491	76%	518	82%	419	88%
	Mixed race (checked more than one race/ethnicity)	41	6%	32	5%	23	5%
	I don't know / no answer	46	7%	23	4%	3	1%

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TABLE 2
FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL, SCHOOL PLANS, TRUANCY, AND UNSUPERVISED TIME
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
How do you feel about going to school?	I like school very much	13%	25%	10%	11%	11%	10%
	I like school quite a bit	37%	36%	32%	38%	35%	36%
	I like school a little	31%	26%	31%	33%	35%	29%
	I don't like school very much	13%	9%	16%	13%	13%	18%
	I hate school	7%	4%	11%	6%	5%	7%
Which of these best describes your school plans? *	I would like to quit school as soon as I can			2%	1%	1%	0%
	I plan to finish high school but won't go to college			7%	4%	3%	3%
	I'd like to go to some kind of trade or vocational school			3%	1%	10%	6%
	I'd like to go to college after high school			65%	54%	60%	54%
	I'd like to go to college and then to graduate school			23%	40%	27%	37%
During the last 30 days, how often have you skipped or cut full days of school?	Never	78%	82%	81%	83%	65%	70%
	Once or twice	17%	12%	14%	13%	24%	22%
	3 to 5 times	3%	4%	4%	3%	9%	7%
	6 to 10 times	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	More than 10 times	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
In a typical week, how often are you home alone or another place unsupervised after school? ^	0 days	32%	30%	24%	32%	27%	29%
	1 day	18%	18%	19%	18%	11%	13%
	2 days	16%	16%	19%	13%	14%	11%
	3 days	14%	15%	14%	13%	15%	18%
	4 days	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%	5%
	5 days	15%	16%	18%	17%	29%	24%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

^ New question in 2010.

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TABLE 3
ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND SCHOOL PROGRAMS
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Mark the two grades you get the most often.	A only	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	3%
	A and B only	54%	57%	48%	66%	51%	62%
	B only	4%	3%	3%	1%	1%	1%
	B and C only	16%	16%	22%	17%	25%	24%
	C only	3%	1%	4%	1%	1%	0%
	C and D only	7%	4%	11%	6%	13%	5%
	D only	0%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	D and F only	1%	1%	4%	2%	3%	1%
	F only	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Not applicable or no answer	13%	15%	4%	4%	4%	3%
Do you have or have you ever had an IEP (Individualized Education Plan)? *	Yes			23%	15%	20%	12%
	No			77%	85%	80%	88%
Do you currently get free or reduced-price lunch at school?	Yes	29%	33%	30%	22%	21%	20%
	No	71%	67%	70%	78%	79%	80%
Since the beginning of this school year, how many times have you changed schools?	0 times	94%	96%	97%	97%	98%	98%
	1 time	4%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
	2 times	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	3 or more times	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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TABLE 4
PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
How many students in your school are friendly?	All	5%	4%	3%	1%	6%	2%
	Most	61%	60%	52%	61%	62%	58%
	Some	24%	31%	34%	30%	28%	33%
	A few	10%	5%	10%	8%	4%	7%
	None	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
How many students in your school behave well in the hallways and lunchroom?	All	5%	4%	4%	4%	6%	1%
	Most	44%	49%	41%	47%	55%	50%
	Some	34%	33%	38%	36%	31%	37%
	A few	15%	11%	14%	12%	8%	10%
	None	2%	2%	3%	1%	0%	1%
How many students in your school have made fun of or threatened students of different races or backgrounds?	All	2%	1%	4%	2%	4%	3%
	Most	5%	4%	11%	7%	11%	11%
	Some	17%	15%	25%	25%	19%	23%
	A few	37%	41%	43%	46%	51%	51%
	None	40%	40%	17%	20%	15%	13%
How many of your teachers are interested in you as a person?	All	29%	31%	12%	8%	11%	6%
	Most	30%	34%	27%	29%	37%	42%
	Some	19%	15%	25%	26%	29%	26%
	A few	14%	14%	22%	28%	18%	21%
	None	7%	5%	13%	9%	5%	5%
How many of your teachers show respect for students?	All	57%	65%	30%	32%	26%	29%
	Most	26%	22%	41%	45%	48%	47%
	Some	8%	8%	13%	15%	16%	12%
	A few	6%	3%	10%	8%	8%	11%
	None	3%	2%	5%	1%	2%	0%

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TABLE 5
PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL AND NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY
Blue Earth County

<i>How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
I feel safe going to and from school	Strongly agree	58%	53%	53%	54%	67%	60%
	Agree	36%	41%	41%	41%	31%	38%
	Disagree	4%	5%	4%	5%	2%	1%
	Strongly disagree	2%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%
I feel safe at school	Strongly agree	60%	58%	40%	45%	60%	51%
	Agree	34%	36%	51%	48%	37%	43%
	Disagree	5%	6%	7%	5%	2%	5%
	Strongly disagree	1%	0%	2%	2%	0%	1%
I feel safe in my neighborhood	Strongly agree	56%	54%	62%	54%	67%	62%
	Agree	36%	37%	31%	41%	30%	35%
	Disagree	4%	8%	4%	4%	3%	2%
	Strongly disagree	3%	1%	3%	1%	1%	0%
Bathrooms in this school are a safe place to be	Strongly agree	38%	42%	36%	42%	51%	55%
	Agree	43%	44%	44%	49%	40%	41%
	Disagree	15%	11%	16%	6%	6%	3%
	Strongly disagree	4%	3%	4%	3%	2%	1%
Illegal gang activity is a problem at this school	Strongly agree	5%	4%	6%	2%	3%	1%
	Agree	4%	2%	10%	10%	4%	4%
	Disagree	21%	16%	39%	41%	34%	38%
	Strongly disagree	70%	78%	44%	47%	59%	57%
Student use of alcohol or drugs is a problem at this school	Strongly agree	4%	4%	19%	19%	12%	14%
	Agree	5%	3%	39%	39%	44%	48%
	Disagree	18%	20%	29%	36%	31%	31%
	Strongly disagree	73%	73%	13%	7%	12%	7%

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TABLE 6
VICTIMIZATION AT SCHOOL
Blue Earth County

			Grade					
			6th		9th		12th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, has anyone offered, sold, or given you an illegal drug on school property?	Yes		2%	1%	20%	10%	16%	13%
	No		98%	99%	80%	90%	84%	87%
During the last 12 months, how many times has someone stolen or deliberately damaged your property on school property?	0 times		68%	72%	59%	75%	69%	77%
	1 time		18%	17%	17%	16%	20%	14%
	2 or 3 times		10%	8%	17%	7%	10%	8%
	4 or 5 times		3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	6 or more times		2%	2%	6%	1%	0%	0%
During the last 30 days, how many days did you not go to school because you felt unsafe at school or going to/from school?	0 days		96%	90%	95%	96%	98%	97%
	1 day		3%	6%	3%	3%	1%	2%
	2 or 3 days		1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	4 or 5 days		0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more days		1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
During the last 12 months, which of the following has happened to you on school property? Has a student:	Threatened you?	Yes	32%	23%	28%	11%	18%	8%
		No	68%	77%	72%	89%	82%	92%
	Pushed, shoved, or grabbed you?	Yes	55%	40%	52%	27%	24%	16%
		No	45%	60%	48%	73%	76%	84%
	Kicked, bitten, or hit you?	Yes	43%	31%	29%	13%	13%	5%
		No	57%	69%	71%	87%	87%	95%
	Stabbed you or fired a gun at you?	Yes	2%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%
		No	98%	100%	95%	100%	100%	100%
	Touched, grabbed, or pinched you in a sexual way? *	Yes			18%	20%	20%	14%
		No			82%	80%	80%	86%
	Made unwanted sexual comments, jokes, gestures, or looks toward you? *	Yes			21%	34%	19%	31%
		No			79%	66%	81%	69%

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**TABLE 7
BULLYING**

Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, how often has another student or group of students made fun of or teased you in a hurtful way, or excluded you from friends or activities?	Never	55%	49%	59%	60%	73%	67%
	Once or twice	26%	30%	24%	29%	19%	23%
	About once a week	6%	7%	5%	5%	2%	4%
	Several times a week	6%	7%	6%	4%	2%	5%
	Every day	7%	6%	6%	2%	4%	1%
During the last 30 days, how often have you, on your own or as part of a group, made fun of or teased another student in a hurtful way or excluded another student from friends or activities?	Never	61%	64%	48%	57%	62%	66%
	Once or twice	32%	28%	35%	33%	28%	29%
	About once a week	4%	3%	6%	7%	5%	2%
	Several times a week	2%	3%	6%	2%	4%	1%
	Every day	2%	2%	6%	1%	2%	2%

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TABLE 8A
USE OF TIME
Blue Earth County

<i>During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Homework or study	0 hours	9%	5%	11%	5%	20%	9%
	1-2 hours	56%	58%	40%	27%	45%	39%
	3-5 hours	21%	25%	31%	35%	21%	26%
	6-10 hours	9%	9%	14%	22%	9%	17%
	11-20 hours	3%	2%	3%	9%	4%	8%
	21 hours or more	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Reading for pleasure	0 hours	25%	14%	55%	28%	54%	33%
	1-2 hours	42%	45%	27%	37%	30%	36%
	3-5 hours	20%	20%	10%	17%	8%	15%
	6-10 hours	6%	12%	4%	8%	4%	10%
	11-20 hours	4%	5%	2%	5%	2%	3%
	21 hours or more	3%	5%	2%	6%	2%	3%
Volunteer work [^]	0 hours	76%	64%	66%	58%	65%	57%
	1-2 hours	17%	25%	24%	30%	25%	34%
	3-5 hours	3%	8%	7%	7%	8%	6%
	6-10 hours	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%
	11-20 hours	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	21 hours or more	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%
Work for pay (including babysitting for others)	0 hours	60%	43%	52%	48%	29%	20%
	1-2 hours	20%	25%	20%	19%	6%	8%
	3-5 hours	12%	18%	12%	15%	11%	9%
	6-10 hours	4%	9%	9%	11%	19%	18%
	11-20 hours	3%	2%	5%	4%	22%	29%
	21 hours or more	1%	3%	2%	3%	13%	16%

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TABLE 8B
USE OF TIME
Blue Earth County

During the school year, how many hours in a typical week do you spend doing the following?		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Watching TV, DVDs or videos	0 hours	4%	4%	1%	4%	4%	4%
	1-2 hours	24%	32%	17%	23%	15%	22%
	3-5 hours	28%	32%	29%	27%	31%	28%
	6-10 hours	24%	20%	26%	27%	28%	30%
	11-20 hours	11%	7%	14%	14%	16%	14%
	21 hours or more	9%	5%	13%	5%	6%	4%
Playing video games [^]	0 hours	13%	50%	12%	64%	20%	75%
	1-2 hours	26%	33%	22%	25%	27%	18%
	3-5 hours	26%	10%	21%	5%	17%	2%
	6-10 hours	18%	3%	18%	4%	17%	3%
	11-20 hours	8%	2%	12%	1%	11%	0%
	21 hours or more	9%	1%	16%	1%	8%	2%
Talking on the phone or texting [^]	0 hours	47%	26%	17%	5%	8%	3%
	1-2 hours	33%	31%	22%	17%	21%	20%
	3-5 hours	10%	20%	15%	14%	22%	16%
	6-10 hours	5%	10%	14%	12%	17%	17%
	11-20 hours	2%	4%	13%	14%	13%	13%
	21 hours or more	3%	10%	19%	36%	18%	30%
Online activities (e-mail, instant IM-ing, etc.) [^]	0 hours	40%	19%	17%	9%	14%	5%
	1-2 hours	31%	34%	38%	28%	37%	30%
	3-5 hours	14%	24%	20%	23%	24%	29%
	6-10 hours	9%	11%	11%	18%	13%	17%
	11-20 hours	3%	6%	7%	12%	7%	13%
	21 hours or more	3%	5%	8%	9%	6%	7%
Hanging out	0 hours	11%	4%	4%	2%	5%	2%
	1-2 hours	21%	24%	15%	18%	8%	16%
	3-5 hours	25%	29%	25%	24%	20%	15%
	6-10 hours	21%	19%	24%	22%	25%	27%
	11-20 hours	12%	14%	17%	17%	21%	19%
	21 hours or more	10%	10%	16%	16%	22%	20%

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**TABLE 9A
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES
Blue Earth County**

<i>During the school year, how often have you participated in the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Fine arts activities (lessons, band, choir, dance, drama, etc.) ^	Not available in my community	3%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%
	Never	57%	31%	57%	28%	62%	38%
	Less than monthly	5%	4%	9%	7%	7%	11%
	Monthly	2%	4%	1%	4%	3%	4%
	1-2 times per week	19%	33%	5%	10%	4%	6%
	3-4 times per week	10%	17%	5%	9%	8%	13%
	Every day	3%	9%	23%	42%	13%	28%
Club or community sports teams	Not available in my community	5%	2%	4%	1%	2%	3%
	Never	38%	43%	50%	41%	44%	47%
	Less than monthly	4%	7%	7%	10%	8%	9%
	Monthly	6%	5%	3%	8%	6%	7%
	1-2 times per week	16%	21%	7%	13%	13%	12%
	3-4 times per week	22%	15%	10%	13%	10%	11%
	Every day	9%	8%	19%	14%	16%	10%
School sports teams	Not available in my community	20%	15%	3%	0%	1%	2%
	Never	43%	52%	30%	31%	39%	47%
	Less than monthly	5%	6%	5%	8%	4%	4%
	Monthly	3%	2%	4%	8%	6%	6%
	1-2 times per week	12%	13%	2%	5%	5%	4%
	3-4 times per week	12%	7%	14%	16%	6%	14%
	Every day	4%	6%	42%	32%	39%	23%
Community clubs and programs (4-H, Park and Rec, Community Ed., etc.)	Not available in my community	8%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%
	Never	71%	67%	72%	69%	70%	70%
	Less than monthly	7%	11%	7%	11%	11%	9%
	Monthly	6%	10%	6%	6%	5%	8%
	1-2 times per week	4%	7%	6%	8%	8%	5%
	3-4 times per week	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	4%
	Every day	2%	0%	3%	1%	2%	2%

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TABLE 9B
ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES
Blue Earth County

<i>During the school year, how often have you participated in the following?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Mentoring programs (as a mentor or being mentored) ^	Not available in my community	9%	7%	5%	5%	4%	8%
	Never	81%	83%	83%	83%	83%	81%
	Less than monthly	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%	4%
	Monthly	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%
	1-2 times per week	5%	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%
	3-4 times per week	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%
	Every day	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%
Religious activities (religious services, education, youth group, etc.)	Not available in my community	5%	4%	1%	1%	1%	3%
	Never	44%	41%	37%	30%	58%	47%
	Less than monthly	8%	8%	8%	11%	13%	14%
	Monthly	7%	5%	9%	7%	9%	7%
	1-2 times per week	34%	37%	36%	46%	16%	25%
	3-4 times per week	2%	3%	7%	5%	2%	2%
	Every day	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Service learning programs ^^	Not available in my community	6%	8%	5%	5%	3%	5%
	Never	80%	78%	83%	82%	84%	80%
	Less than monthly	6%	6%	7%	8%	5%	5%
	Monthly	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%
	1-2 times per week	4%	3%	1%	3%	2%	5%
	3-4 times per week	1%	2%	0%	0%	2%	1%
	Every day	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%
Tutoring, Homework Help or other academic programs ^^	Not available in my community	5%	4%	4%	3%	2%	5%
	Never	80%	76%	80%	83%	83%	82%
	Less than monthly	3%	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%
	Monthly	1%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%
	1-2 times per week	5%	8%	4%	4%	5%	4%
	3-4 times per week	2%	4%	0%	1%	0%	2%
	Every day	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%

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^^ New question in 2010.

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TABLE 10
REASONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
In general, why do you participate in school-based or community-based activities and clubs? (Mark all that apply)	To have fun	83%	86%	78%	86%	85%	88%
	To learn new skills	48%	65%	42%	54%	45%	50%
	My parents or guardians want me to	27%	23%	25%	31%	22%	22%
	My friends participate	33%	39%	44%	49%	42%	51%
	To help me get into college	18%	19%	38%	48%	35%	44%
	It is a safe place to be after school ^	5%	8%	8%	10%	8%	10%
	Participate for other reasons	19%	25%	22%	16%	16%	12%
In general, why don't you participate in any school-based or community-based activities and clubs? (Mark all that apply)	Activities are not available in my community	3%	2%	1%	1%	5%	4%
	Activities cost too much	20%	26%	17%	28%	25%	26%
	My parents or guardians won't let me	6%	7%	2%	3%	2%	4%
	My friends don't participate	13%	8%	16%	12%	15%	18%
	I'm not interested	57%	46%	71%	55%	60%	55%
	I am too busy with other things	30%	42%	29%	52%	42%	61%
	I don't have a way to get there or home ^	12%	18%	6%	16%	5%	7%
	I have to take care of other family members ^	6%	7%	5%	5%	2%	7%
	It's not a safe place to be after school ^	3%	1%	3%	0%	2%	1%
	Don't participate for other reasons	22%	23%	19%	19%	18%	15%

^ New response option in 2010.

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TABLE 11
FAMILY COMPOSITION AND PARENTAL COMMUNICATION
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Which adults do you live with?	Both biological parents	61%	57%	55%	64%	61%	58%
	Both adoptive parents	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%
	Mother and stepfather	4%	6%	7%	6%	8%	5%
	Father and stepmother	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%
	Mother only	11%	13%	14%	14%	17%	15%
	Father only	2%	1%	4%	2%	3%	3%
	Sometimes with mother, sometimes with father	15%	17%	12%	8%	4%	6%
	Other	3%	3%	5%	3%	4%	8%
	No adults or no answer	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%
Can you talk to your father about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	48%	34%	40%	33%	47%	36%
	Yes, some of the time	29%	36%	29%	28%	27%	29%
	No, not very often	9%	18%	14%	22%	13%	16%
	No, not at all	6%	6%	8%	7%	6%	9%
	My father is not around	8%	5%	9%	11%	7%	10%
Can you talk to your mother about problems you are having?	Yes, most of the time	62%	70%	47%	56%	49%	58%
	Yes, some of the time	26%	20%	33%	26%	34%	26%
	No, not very often	7%	6%	13%	12%	10%	9%
	No, not at all	3%	2%	4%	5%	4%	4%
	My mother is not around	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	3%

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TABLE 12
PERCEPTIONS OF FAMILY AND OTHERS CARING
Blue Earth County

<i>How much do you feel ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... your parents care about you?	Not at all	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%
	A little	1%	3%	3%	3%	2%	1%
	Some	3%	1%	6%	6%	6%	5%
	Quite a bit	6%	4%	18%	12%	17%	11%
	Very much	90%	92%	73%	78%	73%	81%
... other adult relatives care about you?	Not at all	1%	1%	1%	3%	3%	1%
	A little	1%	1%	4%	3%	4%	4%
	Some	5%	5%	10%	7%	12%	5%
	Quite a bit	18%	9%	24%	25%	29%	27%
	Very much	75%	85%	61%	63%	52%	62%
... friends care about you?	Not at all	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%
	A little	7%	8%	5%	6%	8%	5%
	Some	19%	11%	22%	14%	23%	16%
	Quite a bit	39%	26%	42%	28%	36%	35%
	Very much	33%	54%	30%	51%	31%	42%
... teachers/ other adults at school care about you? ^	Not at all	4%	2%	9%	5%	6%	3%
	A little	10%	9%	16%	19%	15%	16%
	Some	19%	19%	36%	33%	33%	35%
	Quite a bit	37%	35%	27%	30%	29%	35%
	Very much	30%	36%	12%	13%	17%	11%
... religious or spiritual leaders care about you? ^	Not at all	13%	14%	16%	15%	28%	20%
	A little	14%	11%	12%	13%	14%	12%
	Some	16%	15%	17%	16%	18%	26%
	Quite a bit	29%	28%	23%	29%	23%	26%
	Very much	28%	32%	31%	28%	17%	15%
... other adults in your community care about you?	Not at all	7%	4%	9%	9%	12%	13%
	A little	16%	12%	21%	15%	23%	22%
	Some	25%	21%	28%	30%	28%	27%
	Quite a bit	31%	30%	30%	32%	26%	31%
	Very much	22%	33%	12%	15%	12%	8%

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TABLE 13
FAMILY SUBSTANCE ABUSE
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Has alcohol use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?	Yes	9%	11%	14%	17%	14%	22%
	No	91%	89%	86%	83%	86%	78%
Has drug use by any family member repeatedly caused family, health, job, or legal problems?	Yes	8%	8%	11%	13%	9%	12%
	No	92%	92%	89%	88%	91%	88%

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TABLE 14A
PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE *
Blue Earth County

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you ever physically or sexually hurt someone you were going out with? (This might include shoving, slapping, hitting or forcing them into sexual activities. This also includes threatening to do these things.)	Yes	3%	3%	0%	6%
	No	97%	97%	100%	94%
Has someone you were going out with ever hit you, hurt you, threatened you or made you feel afraid?	Yes	4%	9%	3%	17%
	No	96%	91%	97%	83%
Has someone you were going out with ever forced you to have sex or do something sexual when you didn't want to?	Yes	2%	10%	4%	14%
	No	98%	90%	96%	86%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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**TABLE 14B
PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Has any adult in your household ever hit you so hard or so often that you had marks or were afraid of that person?	Yes	12%	13%	8%	11%	6%	9%
	No	88%	87%	92%	89%	94%	91%
Has anyone in your family ever hit anyone else in the family so hard or so often that they had marks or were afraid of that person?	Yes	13%	12%	10%	14%	5%	9%
	No	87%	88%	90%	86%	95%	91%
Has any older person outside the family touched you sexually against your wishes or forced you to touch them sexually?	Yes	2%	5%	4%	10%	2%	7%
	No	98%	95%	96%	90%	98%	93%
Has any older/stronger member of your family touched you sexually or had you touch them sexually?	Yes	0%	2%	2%	4%	0%	3%
	No	100%	98%	98%	96%	100%	97%

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TABLE 15
GENERAL HEALTH ISSUES
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
When was the last time you had a physical exam?	Within the last 12 months	47%	39%	35%	38%	44%	38%
	1-2 years ago	18%	25%	52%	53%	42%	46%
	3-4 years ago	7%	8%	8%	8%	10%	10%
	More than 4 years ago	11%	10%	2%	0%	4%	4%
	I have never had a physical exam	16%	18%	3%	1%	1%	2%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?	Yes	12%	10%	16%	14%	15%	13%
	No	88%	90%	84%	86%	85%	87%
Do you have a physical health condition or problem that has lasted at least 12 months?	No	86%	88%	92%	88%	91%	88%
	Yes	14%	12%	8%	12%	9%	12%
Do you have a mental or emotional health problem that has lasted at least 12 months?	No	86%	90%	91%	86%	91%	81%
	Yes	14%	10%	9%	14%	9%	19%
Have you ever been treated for a mental or emotional health problem? *	No			88%	88%	89%	81%
	Yes, during the last year			5%	8%	4%	13%
	Yes, more than a year ago			6%	3%	7%	6%
Have you ever been treated for an alcohol or other drug problem? *	No			95%	99%	98%	97%
	Yes, during the last year			2%	1%	1%	3%
	Yes, more than a year ago			2%	0%	0%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 16
WEIGHT-RELATED ISSUES
Blue Earth County

			Grade					
			6th		9th		12th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
At the present time, do you think you are...	Underweight		18%	11%	11%	5%	11%	4%
	About the right weight		65%	68%	75%	69%	69%	67%
	Overweight		18%	21%	14%	26%	20%	29%
During the last 12 months, have you done any of the following to lose or control weight? (Mark all that apply) *^	I am not trying to lose weight or control my weight	Yes			58%	34%	48%	24%
		No			42%	66%	52%	76%
	Fast or skip meals	Yes			7%	17%	11%	25%
		No			93%	83%	89%	75%
	Smoke cigarettes	Yes			1%	2%	6%	11%
		No			99%	98%	94%	89%
	Exercise	Yes			35%	60%	41%	58%
		No			65%	40%	59%	42%
	Use diet pills, speed or other drugs	Yes			1%	2%	4%	6%
		No			99%	98%	96%	94%
	Eat healthier	Yes			27%	50%	30%	65%
		No			73%	50%	70%	35%
	Vomit on purpose after eating	Yes			2%	3%	0%	3%
		No			98%	97%	100%	97%
	Use laxatives	Yes			1%	1%	0%	1%
		No			99%	99%	100%	99%
Weight status * according to Body Mass Index (BMI) **	Not overweight				76%	82%	72%	84%
	Overweight				14%	14%	17%	9%
	Obese				10%	4%	11%	7%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

^ Variations in the number and order of these response options may affect year-to-year comparisons.

** Body Mass Index (BMI) is a number calculated from a child's self-reported weight and height. BMI can be used as a screening tool to identify possible weight problems for children and teens. The BMI number is calculated using a standard formula. BMI-for-age percentiles are used to interpret BMI numbers because, unlike adults, BMI is both age-and sex-specific for children and teens. The CDC BMI-for-age growth charts take into account these differences and allow translation of a BMI number into a percentile for a child's sex and age. The CDC 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 17
EXERCISE**

Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
On how many of the last 7 days did you exercise or play sports that made you sweat or breathe hard for at least 20 minutes?	0 days	13%	8%	11%	8%	13%	22%
	1 day	6%	7%	4%	8%	6%	13%
	2 days	11%	11%	9%	11%	13%	16%
	3 days	11%	15%	7%	10%	12%	13%
	4 days	9%	14%	10%	18%	8%	9%
	5 days	17%	17%	25%	20%	18%	13%
	6 days	9%	9%	12%	13%	11%	6%
	7 days	24%	18%	22%	13%	18%	8%
On how many of the last 7 days were you physically active for a combined total of at least 30 minutes?	0 days	7%	3%	4%	5%	8%	15%
	1 day	4%	5%	4%	8%	7%	11%
	2 days	10%	10%	5%	8%	11%	19%
	3 days	8%	19%	6%	9%	10%	10%
	4 days	13%	17%	13%	14%	7%	11%
	5 days	14%	14%	21%	23%	16%	15%
	6 days	11%	8%	13%	14%	9%	7%
	7 days	33%	23%	34%	20%	32%	12%

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TABLE 18
NUTRITION
Blue Earth County

<i>How many glasses of each of the following did you drink yesterday?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Milk	0 glasses	14%	21%	15%	21%	18%	35%
	1-2 glasses	51%	49%	48%	54%	49%	52%
	3-4 glasses	25%	24%	28%	18%	22%	11%
	5 or more glasses	11%	6%	8%	7%	11%	3%
100% fruit juice	0 glasses	53%	48%	45%	57%	46%	61%
	1-2 glasses	35%	39%	36%	35%	41%	36%
	3-4 glasses	8%	7%	14%	6%	10%	2%
	5 or more glasses	4%	6%	5%	3%	3%	1%
Fruit juice drinks	0 glasses	50%	46%	51%	60%	57%	57%
	1-2 glasses	37%	37%	34%	31%	33%	38%
	3-4 glasses	9%	10%	10%	6%	7%	4%
	5 or more glasses	4%	7%	4%	3%	2%	1%
Pop or soda	0 glasses	43%	56%	39%	55%	32%	52%
	1-2 glasses	42%	33%	34%	37%	41%	39%
	3-4 glasses	8%	6%	14%	5%	18%	6%
	5 or more glasses	7%	5%	13%	3%	9%	3%
Sports drinks	0 glasses	61%	73%	62%	75%	64%	79%
	1-2 glasses	25%	18%	23%	22%	21%	16%
	3-4 glasses	9%	3%	8%	2%	10%	5%
	5 or more glasses	5%	6%	7%	1%	5%	0%
Water	0 glasses	5%	7%	8%	6%	6%	5%
	1-2 glasses	25%	23%	26%	30%	28%	31%
	3-4 glasses	31%	26%	28%	29%	27%	36%
	5 or more glasses	39%	43%	37%	35%	39%	28%
How many servings of fruits, fruit juices, or vegetables did you eat yesterday?	0 servings	7%	6%	5%	6%	8%	6%
	1 serving	19%	10%	12%	13%	9%	17%
	2 servings	21%	22%	26%	24%	23%	22%
	3 servings	20%	22%	24%	24%	28%	25%
	4 servings	14%	16%	16%	18%	16%	17%
	5 or more servings	19%	25%	18%	15%	15%	14%

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TABLE 19
SEAT BELT USE
Blue Earth County

<i>How often do you wear a seat belt when you ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...ride in a car?	Never	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	Sometimes	11%	10%	15%	9%	16%	10%
	Often	21%	16%	25%	24%	19%	23%
	Always	67%	72%	60%	65%	63%	65%
...drive a car? *	I never do this activity			34%	41%	7%	4%
	Never			1%	2%	1%	2%
	Sometimes			7%	2%	10%	3%
	Often			6%	2%	10%	12%
	Always			52%	52%	72%	79%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 20
SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON RISK BEHAVIORS
Blue Earth County

<i>Where have you received most of your information about...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...alcohol and other drugs? (Mark all that apply)	Friends or peers	18%	21%	57%	63%	74%	83%
	Parents	43%	60%	49%	54%	52%	55%
	Brothers or sisters	11%	15%	22%	29%	21%	28%
	School/teachers/counselors	76%	79%	67%	76%	65%	70%
	Clinics/doctors/nurses	14%	23%	15%	19%	11%	11%
	Religious/community groups	6%	6%	12%	14%	5%	6%
	Internet	9%	12%	27%	21%	32%	28%
	TV/radio/magazines/newspapers/books	22%	22%	32%	37%	35%	47%
	I do not know much about alcohol or other drugs	8%	8%	3%	4%	2%	3%
...sex? (Mark all that apply)	Friends or peers	17%	25%	58%	70%	67%	83%
	Parents	37%	49%	40%	50%	37%	41%
	Brothers or sisters	10%	11%	16%	21%	15%	17%
	School/teachers/counselors	72%	71%	62%	71%	60%	66%
	Clinics/doctors/nurses	9%	15%	9%	20%	13%	28%
	Religious/community groups	3%	3%	10%	10%	7%	8%
	Internet	5%	8%	30%	19%	41%	29%
	TV/radio/magazines/newspapers/books	12%	14%	24%	37%	30%	51%
	I do not know much about sex	11%	9%	1%	2%	1%	1%

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TABLE 21A
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS
Blue Earth County

<i>How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
I get a lot of headaches, stomachaches or sickness.	Agree	14%	22%	12%	24%	12%	28%
	Mostly agree	18%	20%	13%	21%	9%	17%
	Mostly disagree	28%	26%	27%	28%	25%	27%
	Disagree	39%	32%	47%	27%	55%	27%
I am often irritable and angry.	Agree	9%	12%	7%	9%	6%	10%
	Mostly agree	14%	15%	18%	19%	15%	13%
	Mostly disagree	32%	27%	32%	35%	36%	46%
	Disagree	45%	47%	43%	36%	43%	30%
I have many fears and am easily scared.	Agree	3%	9%	3%	11%	2%	8%
	Mostly agree	6%	14%	9%	14%	5%	15%
	Mostly disagree	29%	27%	19%	33%	23%	30%
	Disagree	62%	49%	69%	42%	70%	47%
I often have trouble concentrating.	Agree	13%	14%	17%	20%	12%	18%
	Mostly agree	19%	15%	24%	20%	25%	27%
	Mostly disagree	31%	29%	27%	31%	32%	31%
	Disagree	36%	41%	32%	28%	32%	24%
I am restless and cannot stay still for long.	Agree	18%	17%	19%	17%	13%	16%
	Mostly agree	23%	15%	19%	21%	23%	22%
	Mostly disagree	25%	22%	23%	29%	24%	31%
	Disagree	34%	46%	39%	33%	40%	32%
I often have trouble getting to sleep and staying asleep.	Agree	17%	18%	14%	17%	10%	17%
	Mostly agree	17%	15%	18%	13%	17%	18%
	Mostly disagree	28%	24%	25%	29%	25%	26%
	Disagree	38%	44%	43%	41%	48%	39%
I do things before I think.	Agree	14%	16%	18%	17%	9%	13%
	Mostly agree	21%	23%	24%	24%	24%	23%
	Mostly disagree	37%	31%	30%	35%	40%	37%
	Disagree	27%	30%	27%	23%	26%	26%
I am often unhappy, depressed or tearful.	Agree	6%	9%	3%	9%	5%	9%
	Mostly agree	8%	11%	11%	13%	11%	10%
	Mostly disagree	25%	21%	21%	28%	18%	29%
	Disagree	60%	59%	64%	50%	66%	52%

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TABLE 21B
EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS
Blue Earth County

<i>During the last 30 days ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... have you felt you were under any stress or pressure?	Yes, almost more than I could take	6%	10%	9%	14%	14%	20%
	Yes, quite a bit of pressure	8%	10%	14%	20%	19%	32%
	Yes, more than usual	11%	10%	14%	20%	18%	15%
	Yes, a little	41%	35%	46%	36%	37%	26%
	Not at all	34%	36%	18%	10%	13%	6%
... have you felt sad?	All the time	2%	5%	2%	4%	4%	3%
	Most of the time	4%	9%	6%	12%	5%	12%
	Some of the time	17%	23%	20%	32%	22%	36%
	A little of the time	51%	46%	46%	41%	45%	40%
	None of the time	26%	17%	26%	10%	25%	9%
... have you felt so discouraged or hopeless that you wondered if anything was worthwhile?	Extremely so, to the point that I have just about given up	4%	4%	4%	5%	6%	6%
	Quite a bit	4%	6%	5%	10%	6%	7%
	Some, enough to bother me	8%	10%	11%	19%	9%	14%
	A little bit	21%	26%	19%	24%	20%	27%
	Not at all	62%	54%	60%	42%	59%	46%
... have you felt nervous, worried, or upset?	All the time	3%	5%	2%	3%	3%	5%
	Most of the time	4%	8%	5%	13%	6%	15%
	Some of the time	16%	21%	23%	32%	23%	30%
	A little of the time	52%	43%	44%	40%	49%	40%
	None of the time	25%	23%	26%	11%	19%	10%

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TABLE 22
SELF-INFLICTED INJURY, SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Have you ever hurt yourself on purpose ("cutting", burns, bruises)?	No	88%	87%	86%	75%	88%	68%
	Yes, during the last year	8%	10%	12%	18%	6%	10%
	Yes, more than a year ago	4%	3%	2%	8%	6%	22%
Have you ever thought about killing yourself?	No	85%	85%	79%	68%	77%	68%
	Yes, during the last year	11%	11%	14%	20%	12%	18%
	Yes, more than a year ago	4%	4%	7%	12%	10%	14%
Have you ever tried to kill yourself?	No	96%	96%	94%	90%	91%	91%
	Yes, during the last year	2%	3%	3%	7%	4%	4%
	Yes, more than a year ago	2%	1%	3%	3%	5%	6%

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TABLE 23
GAMBLING BEHAVIOR *
Blue Earth County

<i>During the last 12 months, how often have you done these activities?</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Played cards for money	Not at all	76%	93%	58%	91%
	Less than once a month	16%	6%	25%	6%
	About once a month	5%	1%	10%	1%
	About once a week	3%	0%	6%	1%
	Daily	1%	0%	1%	0%
Bet on games of personal skill like pool, golf, or bowling	Not at all	75%	93%	63%	94%
	Less than once a month	16%	6%	21%	4%
	About once a month	5%	1%	11%	2%
	About once a week	4%	0%	4%	1%
	Daily	1%	0%	1%	0%
Bet money on sports teams or horseracing [^]	Not at all	75%	93%	72%	95%
	Less than once a month	18%	5%	18%	4%
	About once a month	4%	2%	7%	1%
	About once a week	2%	0%	2%	0%
	Daily	1%	0%	1%	0%
Bought lottery tickets or scratch offs	Not at all	91%	91%	58%	68%
	Less than once a month	4%	7%	21%	22%
	About once a month	3%	2%	10%	7%
	About once a week	1%	0%	8%	1%
	Daily	1%	0%	3%	1%
Gambled in a casino	Not at all	98%	100%	76%	83%
	Less than once a month	0%	0%	13%	14%
	About once a month	0%	0%	7%	2%
	About once a week	1%	0%	2%	1%
	Daily	0%	0%	1%	0%
Gambled for money online	Not at all	95%	100%	94%	99%
	Less than once a month	1%	0%	2%	0%
	About once a month	1%	0%	2%	0%
	About once a week	3%	0%	1%	0%
	Daily	0%	0%	1%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

[^] Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.

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**TABLE 24
DESTRUCTIVE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR
Blue Earth County**

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how often have you run away from home?	Never	95%	92%	89%	90%	96%	92%
	Once or twice	4%	6%	7%	9%	3%	7%
	3 to 5 times	0%	1%	3%	1%	1%	0%
	6 to 10 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	More than 10 times	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
During the last 12 months, how often have you damaged or destroyed property at school or somewhere else?	Never	86%	93%	79%	93%	82%	94%
	Once or twice	11%	5%	14%	6%	13%	5%
	3 to 5 times	1%	1%	4%	1%	3%	0%
	6 to 10 times	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	More than 10 times	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%
During the last 12 months, how often have you hit or beat up another person?	Never	71%	83%	72%	86%	80%	91%
	Once or twice	22%	14%	21%	11%	14%	8%
	3 to 5 times	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%
	6 to 10 times	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%
	More than 10 times	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%
During the last 12 months, how often have you taken something from a store without paying for it?	Never	94%	94%	82%	85%	80%	83%
	Once or twice	4%	4%	12%	10%	13%	12%
	3 to 5 times	1%	1%	2%	3%	4%	2%
	6 to 10 times	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
	More than 10 times	0%	0%	3%	1%	3%	2%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a gun on school property?	0 days	100%	100%	97%	100%	98%	100%
	1 day	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	2 or 3 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
On how many of the last 30 days did you carry a weapon (other than a gun) on school property?	0 days	98%	99%	92%	99%	94%	100%
	1 day	1%	0%	2%	1%	2%	0%
	2 or 3 days	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%
	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more days	1%	0%	3%	0%	3%	0%

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TABLE 25
SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE USE **
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days	No	98%	99%	86%	87%	61%	74%
	Yes	2%	1%	14%	13%	39%	26%
Frequent use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days (used tobacco on 20 or more of the past 30 days)	No	100%	100%	96%	97%	87%	89%
	Yes	0%	0%	4%	3%	13%	11%
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%	96%	98%	80%	87%
	Yes	0%	0%	4%	2%	20%	13%
Any alcohol and/or other drug use during the past year (excluding tobacco)	No alcohol or other drug use in the past year	90%	92%	62%	66%	40%	35%
	Used only alcohol in the past year	5%	5%	20%	18%	29%	33%
	Used only marijuana/other drugs in the past year	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Used both alcohol and marijuana/other drugs in the past year	3%	2%	17%	16%	30%	32%

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

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**TABLE 26
CIGARETTE USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE**

Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you smoke a cigarette?	0 days	98%	99%	89%	88%	73%	75%
	1 or 2 days	1%	0%	3%	5%	6%	4%
	3 to 5 days	1%	0%	2%	3%	5%	4%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	3%	2%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	3%	5%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	4%	4%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	2%	2%	6%	7%
During the last 30 days, how frequently have you smoked cigarettes?	Never	99%	99%	90%	89%	75%	76%
	Less than one cigarette per day	1%	1%	4%	5%	12%	10%
	One to five cigarettes per day	0%	1%	4%	5%	8%	9%
	About one-half pack per day	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	4%
	About one pack per day	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	About one and one-half packs per day	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Two packs or more per day	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
How old were you the first time you smoked part or all of a cigarette?	I have never smoked part or all of a cigarette	94%	94%	79%	77%	55%	52%
	10 years old or younger	3%	4%	5%	3%	6%	4%
	11 years old	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%
	12 years old	1%	0%	2%	3%	3%	1%
	13 years old	0%	0%	5%	4%	3%	5%
	14 years old	0%	0%	4%	8%	5%	8%
	15 years old	0%	0%	2%	3%	8%	7%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	7%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	12%	14%

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TABLE 27
CIGAR AND SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff or dip?	0 days	99%	100%	92%	99%	83%	97%
	1 or 2 days	1%	0%	3%	1%	5%	1%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	3%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos or little cigars?	0 days	100%	100%	93%	97%	77%	92%
	1 or 2 days	0%	0%	2%	2%	12%	5%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	5%	2%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
How old were you the first time you smoked a cigar or used chewing tobacco?	I have never smoked a cigar or used chewing tobacco	98%	99%	82%	92%	46%	74%
	10 years old or younger	2%	0%	3%	0%	4%	0%
	11 years old	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	12 years old	0%	0%	3%	1%	1%	0%
	13 years old	0%	0%	5%	1%	2%	0%
	14 years old	0%	0%	6%	4%	3%	4%
	15 years old	0%	0%	1%	1%	9%	2%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	12%	8%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	20%	11%

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TABLE 28
ACCESS TO TOBACCO *
Blue Earth County

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you used tobacco, how did you get it in the last 30 days? (Mark all that apply)	Bought it at gas stations or convenience stores	10%	7%	64%	64%
	Bought it at bars or restaurants	5%	0%	2%	2%
	Bought it at grocery, discount, or drug stores	0%	2%	9%	15%
	Bought it at places like bowling alleys, video arcades, or pool halls	3%	0%	2%	0%
	Bought it from vending machines	3%	0%	1%	2%
	Bought it on the Internet	0%	0%	1%	2%
	Got it from friends	59%	72%	39%	59%
	Got it from my parents	13%	5%	4%	8%
	Got it from other family members	8%	16%	3%	5%
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	36%	44%	12%	19%
	Took it from my home	18%	7%	2%	5%
	Took it from a friend's home	10%	5%	2%	2%
	Took it from stores	10%	0%	2%	2%

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INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you bought tobacco in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?	Yes	13%	0%	3%	0%
	No	87%	100%	97%	100%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 29
ALCOHOL USE FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages to drink?	0	92%	95%	64%	67%	42%	36%
	1-2	5%	4%	10%	13%	10%	14%
	3-5	2%	1%	8%	9%	14%	15%
	6-9	1%	0%	7%	5%	9%	10%
	10-19	0%	0%	5%	4%	9%	10%
	20-39	0%	0%	3%	1%	7%	7%
	40+	0%	0%	3%	2%	8%	8%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you drink one or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage?	0 days	97%	98%	77%	80%	61%	56%
	1 or 2 days	2%	2%	11%	13%	18%	24%
	3 to 5 days	1%	0%	6%	5%	10%	9%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	3%	2%	6%	8%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	3%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
If you drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor, generally, how much (if any) do you drink at one time?	I don't drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor	96%	97%	67%	69%	45%	38%
	1 glass, can, or drink	4%	3%	12%	13%	6%	10%
	2 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	4%	6%	5%	11%
	3 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	5%	4%	7%	13%
	4 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	4%	4%	7%	11%
	5 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	2%	1%	7%	7%
	6 or more glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	5%	3%	23%	11%
Over the last 2 weeks, how many times (if any) have you had five or more drinks in a row? *	Never			88%	92%	70%	79%
	Once			3%	5%	14%	10%
	Twice			5%	1%	5%	6%
	3 to 5 times			3%	2%	6%	5%
	6 or more times			0%	0%	4%	1%

* 6th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 30
AGE OF FIRST ALCOHOL USE
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
How old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips?	I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips	85%	88%	56%	58%	31%	25%
	10 years old or younger	9%	8%	7%	6%	6%	3%
	11 years old	4%	3%	5%	2%	2%	1%
	12 years old	2%	1%	8%	3%	3%	3%
	13 years old	0%	0%	8%	13%	5%	7%
	14 years old	0%	0%	12%	15%	10%	10%
	15 years old	0%	0%	3%	3%	11%	16%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	18%	19%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	14%	16%

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**TABLE 31
ACCESS TO ALCOHOL ***

Blue Earth County

<i>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO USED ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS **</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you used alcohol, how did you get it in the last 30 days? (Mark all that apply)	Bought it at gas stations or convenience stores	5%	2%	3%	3%
	Bought it at bars or restaurants	0%	2%	6%	3%
	Bought it at stores	2%	2%	6%	2%
	Bought it on the Internet	2%	0%	0%	0%
	Got it from friends	63%	66%	63%	72%
	Got it from my parents	23%	13%	18%	10%
	Got it from other family members	15%	16%	17%	13%
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	25%	33%	42%	47%
	Got it at parties	52%	52%	42%	48%
	Took it from my home	37%	27%	9%	13%
	Took it from a friend's home	17%	16%	4%	4%
	Took it from stores	8%	0%	4%	0%

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<i>INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you bought alcohol in the last 30 days, did you use a fake ID?	Yes	14%	0%	2%	2%
	No	86%	100%	98%	98%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** Percentages are comparable to the 2001-2007 survey results. Percentages are based on all recent alcohol users, even if they skipped this question.

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TABLE 32
DRINKING AND DRIVING *
Blue Earth County

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how many times have you driven a motor vehicle after using alcohol or other drugs?	0 times or no use	92%	98%	80%	80%
	Once	4%	1%	4%	8%
	Twice	1%	0%	2%	3%
	3 or more times	3%	1%	14%	9%
Do you ever ride with friends after they have been using alcohol or drugs?	No	73%	63%	59%	64%
	Yes, but rarely	13%	17%	25%	24%
	Yes, often	6%	5%	14%	10%
	None of my friends use alcohol or other drugs	9%	14%	2%	2%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 33
MARIJUANA AND OTHER DRUG USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE
Blue Earth County

		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana or hashish?	0 days	99%	100%	86%	90%	81%	82%
	1 or 2 days	0%	0%	4%	5%	6%	7%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	4%	3%	3%	2%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	4%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	2%	2%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	3%	3%
How old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?	I have never tried marijuana	98%	100%	80%	85%	61%	66%
	10 years old or younger	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%	1%
	11 years old	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	12 years old	1%	0%	3%	1%	1%	2%
	13 years old	0%	0%	4%	3%	2%	1%
	14 years old	0%	0%	7%	7%	6%	5%
	15 years old	0%	0%	3%	3%	7%	7%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	8%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	12%	10%
During the last 30 days, on how many days did you use any of these "other drugs"?	0 days	98%	99%	94%	97%	95%	92%
	1 or 2 days	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%	3%
	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	3%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
How old were you when you tried any of these "other drugs" for the first time?	I have never tried "other drugs"	97%	97%	89%	95%	89%	87%
	10 years old or younger	3%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%
	11 years old	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	12 years old	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	13 years old	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%
	14 years old	0%	0%	4%	2%	1%	1%
	15 years old	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	3%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	7%

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TABLE 34
MARIJUANA, INHALANTS, HALLUCINOGENS AND HEROIN ^
Blue Earth County

During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
... used marijuana (bud, weed, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?	0	98%	100%	82%	85%	69%	69%
	1-2	1%	0%	4%	4%	8%	11%
	3-5	1%	0%	3%	5%	5%	3%
	6-9	0%	0%	2%	2%	3%	2%
	10-19	0%	0%	3%	2%	5%	4%
	20-39	0%	0%	2%	2%	2%	2%
	40+	0%	0%	5%	2%	8%	8%
... sniffed glue, or breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans, or inhaled any other gases or sprays in order to get high?	0	96%	98%	97%	97%	97%	96%
	1-2	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%
	3-5	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%
	6-9	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used LSD ("acid"), PCP (wet sticks or dipped joints), or other psychedelics (like mescaline, mushrooms, peyote)? *	0			96%	98%	94%	95%
	1-2			1%	1%	2%	3%
	3-5			1%	0%	1%	1%
	6-9			2%	0%	2%	0%
	10-19			0%	0%	1%	0%
	20-39			0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+			0%	0%	0%	0%
... used heroin? *	0			98%	100%	99%	100%
	1-2			0%	0%	0%	0%
	3-5			0%	0%	0%	0%
	6-9			0%	0%	0%	0%
	10-19			1%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39			0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+			0%	0%	0%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 35
METHAMPHETAMINE, COCAINE AND ECSTASY *^
Blue Earth County

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... used methamphetamine (meth, glass, crank, crystal meth, ice) by any method?	0	98%	100%	99%	99%
	1-2	0%	0%	0%	0%
	3-5	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	1%	0%	0%	0%
... used "crack" (cocaine in chunk or rock form), or cocaine in any other form?	0	98%	99%	98%	98%
	1-2	1%	0%	0%	1%
	3-5	0%	0%	0%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%	0%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	1%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used MDMA (E, X, "ecstasy"), GHB (G, Liquid E, Liquid X) or Ketamine ("Special K")?	0	97%	99%	94%	95%
	1-2	1%	1%	3%	4%
	3-5	1%	0%	1%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 36A
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS *
Blue Earth County

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... used stimulants like Benzedrine or diet pills that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	97%	98%	97%	97%
	1-2	1%	1%	0%	1%
	3-5	1%	0%	1%	1%
	6-9	1%	0%	0%	1%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used your own or someone else's ADHD or ADD drugs like Ritalin (hyper pills) to get high?	0	95%	97%	95%	93%
	1-2	1%	2%	0%	1%
	3-5	1%	0%	3%	3%
	6-9	1%	0%	2%	0%
	10-19	2%	0%	0%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	1%	0%	0%
... used OxyContin, Percocet, Percodan, Vicodin or other pain relievers that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	96%	97%	96%	94%
	1-2	1%	0%	1%	2%
	3-5	1%	1%	1%	2%
	6-9	2%	0%	1%	0%
	10-19	1%	0%	1%	1%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%
... used tranquilizers (Valium, Xanax, nerve pills) or sedatives or barbituates that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	98%	98%	96%	100%
	1-2	1%	1%	1%	0%
	3-5	0%	0%	1%	0%
	6-9	2%	0%	2%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%	0%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 36B
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS *^
Blue Earth County

<i>During the last 12 months, on how many occasions (if any) have you ...</i>		Grade	
		6th	
		Male	Female
		%	%
... used any prescription drugs that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	0	98%	100%
	1-2	1%	0%
	3-5	1%	0%
	6-9	0%	0%
	10-19	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%
	40+	0%	0%

* 9th-12th grade survey did not ask this question.

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TABLE 37
SUBSTANCE USE PATTERNS
Blue Earth County

<i>Do you ever use alcohol or other drugs ...</i>		Grade					
		6th		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
...before school?	Yes	1%	0%	10%	5%	10%	11%
	No	99%	100%	90%	95%	90%	89%
...during school?	Yes	1%	0%	6%	2%	9%	6%
	No	99%	100%	94%	98%	91%	94%
...right after school?	Yes	1%	1%	13%	7%	15%	15%
	No	99%	99%	87%	93%	85%	85%

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TABLE 38
PARENTAL DISAPPROVAL OF SUBSTANCE USE
Blue Earth County

			Grade					
			6th		9th		12th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, have you talked with at least one of your parents (or guardians) about the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, or drug use?	Yes		47%	54%	48%	52%	46%	55%
	No		53%	46%	52%	48%	54%	45%
How do you think your parents or guardians would feel if you... ^	... smoked cigarettes?	They would approve	0%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%
		They would not care at all	1%	0%	3%	2%	8%	5%
		They would disapprove	5%	5%	10%	9%	26%	22%
		They would strongly disapprove	94%	94%	85%	87%	64%	71%
	... drank alcohol?	They would approve	1%	2%	3%	2%	4%	3%
		They would not care at all	3%	2%	9%	5%	22%	21%
		They would disapprove	12%	11%	17%	22%	36%	37%
		They would strongly disapprove	85%	85%	71%	71%	38%	39%
	... smoked marijuana?	They would approve	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
		They would not care at all	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	3%
		They would disapprove	2%	2%	5%	6%	17%	13%
		They would strongly disapprove	98%	97%	91%	91%	78%	83%
	... used other illegal drugs?	They would approve	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
		They would not care at all	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%
		They would disapprove	1%	2%	3%	3%	6%	6%
		They would strongly disapprove	98%	97%	92%	95%	92%	92%

^ New questions in 2010.

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TABLE 39
PERCEIVED RISK OF HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE
Blue Earth County

			Grade					
			6th		9th		12th	
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
How much do you think people risk harming themselves physically or in other ways if they...	... smoke one or more packs of cigarettes per day?	No risk	4%	5%	7%	2%	5%	1%
		Slight risk	7%	10%	5%	6%	9%	6%
		Moderate risk	23%	18%	16%	14%	19%	17%
		Great risk	66%	68%	72%	79%	67%	76%
	... have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week?	No risk	5%	7%	8%	2%	9%	2%
		Slight risk	12%	12%	19%	11%	21%	17%
		Moderate risk	30%	28%	24%	26%	32%	33%
		Great risk	52%	53%	49%	61%	38%	48%
	... smoke marijuana once or twice a week?	No risk	6%	6%	12%	7%	20%	13%
		Slight risk	4%	7%	15%	11%	27%	15%
		Moderate risk	21%	16%	18%	20%	26%	27%
		Great risk	69%	71%	55%	61%	27%	45%

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TABLE 40A
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE *
Blue Earth County

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... have you found that you had to use a lot more alcohol or other drugs than before to get the same effect?	No or no use	91%	93%	89%	84%
	Yes	9%	7%	11%	16%
... have you tried to cut down on your use of alcohol or other drugs but couldn't?	No or no use	95%	96%	94%	93%
	Yes	5%	4%	6%	7%
... have you continued to use alcohol or other drugs even though you knew it was hurting your relationships with friends or family? ^	No or no use	91%	90%	93%	89%
	Yes	9%	10%	7%	11%
... how many times have you spent all or most of the day using alcohol or other drugs, or getting over their effects?	0 times or no use	86%	87%	82%	76%
	Once	3%	7%	4%	10%
	Twice	4%	4%	4%	4%
	3 or more times	6%	3%	10%	9%
... how many times have you given up important social or recreational activities like sports or being with friends or relatives in order to use alcohol or other drugs or to get over their effects? ^	0 times or no use	90%	93%	93%	86%
	Once	5%	5%	2%	8%
	Twice	2%	0%	2%	2%
	3 or more times	3%	2%	2%	4%
... how many times has alcohol or other drug use left you feeling depressed, agitated, paranoid, or unable to concentrate?	0 times or no use	90%	92%	92%	85%
	Once	4%	3%	3%	5%
	Twice	1%	2%	2%	6%
	3 or more times	4%	2%	3%	4%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 40B
CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE *
Blue Earth County

<i>During the last 12 months ...</i>		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
... how many times have you missed work or school, or neglected other major responsibilities because of alcohol or other drug use? ^	0 times or no use	94%	96%	96%	93%
	Once	3%	3%	2%	2%
	Twice	1%	1%	1%	3%
	3 or more times	2%	0%	1%	2%
... how many times has alcohol or other drug use caused you problems with the law?	0 times or no use	97%	98%	93%	91%
	Once	1%	2%	5%	8%
	Twice	1%	0%	1%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	0%	1%	0%
... how many times have you hit someone or become violent while using alcohol or other drugs?	0 times or no use	97%	97%	94%	96%
	Once	1%	1%	2%	2%
	Twice	2%	0%	1%	1%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	2%	0%
... how many times have you used so much alcohol or other drugs that later you could not remember what you had said or done?	0 times or no use	90%	87%	78%	69%
	Once	3%	6%	12%	13%
	Twice	2%	4%	3%	7%
	3 or more times	4%	3%	7%	12%
... how many times have you used more alcohol or other drugs than you intended to?	0 times or no use	92%	85%	80%	68%
	Once	3%	8%	7%	15%
	Twice	1%	3%	4%	7%
	3 or more times	4%	4%	9%	10%

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TABLE 41A
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR *
Blue Earth County

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you ever had sexual intercourse ("had sex")? ^	No	77%	83%	46%	39%
	Yes, once or twice	8%	6%	10%	6%
	Yes, 3 times or more	15%	11%	45%	55%
During the last 12 months, with how many different male partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	95%	83%	91%	42%
	1 person	2%	9%	5%	32%
	2 persons	1%	3%	1%	11%
	3 persons	0%	1%	2%	7%
	4 persons	0%	2%	0%	2%
	5 persons	0%	0%	0%	4%
	6 or more persons	2%	1%	0%	3%
During the last 12 months, with how many different female partners have you had sexual intercourse?	None	79%	99%	49%	96%
	1 person	9%	1%	25%	3%
	2 persons	4%	0%	13%	0%
	3 persons	2%	0%	4%	0%
	4 persons	2%	0%	5%	0%
	5 persons	2%	0%	2%	0%
	6 or more persons	3%	0%	3%	0%
How many times have you been pregnant or gotten someone pregnant?	0 times	95%	98%	95%	99%
	1 time	1%	2%	4%	0%
	2 or more times	2%	0%	0%	0%
	Not sure	2%	0%	1%	0%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

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TABLE 41B
SEXUAL BEHAVIOR *
Blue Earth County

INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
Have you talked with your partner(s) about protecting yourselves from getting STDs/HIV/AIDS? **	Never	55%	44%	35%	31%
	Not with every partner	16%	18%	15%	17%
	At least once with every partner	29%	38%	50%	52%
Have you talked with partner(s) about preventing pregnancy? **	Never	38%	25%	23%	17%
	Not with every partner	16%	18%	11%	17%
	At least once with every partner	47%	56%	66%	66%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often do you and/or your partner use any birth control method?	Never	36%	55%	10%	10%
	Rarely	19%	13%	4%	4%
	Sometimes	7%	5%	8%	6%
	Usually	10%	9%	19%	10%
	Always	28%	18%	60%	70%
If you have sexual intercourse, how often is a condom used?	Never	14%	11%	10%	16%
	Rarely	7%	11%	9%	9%
	Sometimes	5%	11%	9%	12%
	Usually	18%	29%	24%	20%
	Always	56%	38%	47%	43%
The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?	Yes	72%	58%	69%	61%
	No	28%	42%	31%	39%

* 6th grade survey did not ask these questions.

** The results for these questions are comparable to the 2001-2007 survey results.

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TABLE 42
REASONS FOR SEXUAL ABSTINENCE *
Blue Earth County

		Grade			
		9th		12th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you do not have sexual intercourse, what factors influence your choice not to? (Mark all that apply)	One or both of my parents would object	55%	71%	34%	57%
	I don't want to have sex	24%	66%	31%	65%
	Most students in my school don't have sex	18%	9%	4%	2%
	My friends don't have sex	30%	42%	11%	22%
	I don't think it's right for a person my age to have sex	52%	74%	24%	48%
	I'm afraid of getting caught	28%	28%	14%	16%
	My religious or spiritual beliefs	30%	39%	23%	44%
	Sex education at school has shown me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	30%	48%	23%	29%
	I don't want to get a sexually transmitted disease	58%	71%	35%	57%
	Fear of pregnancy ^	39%	77%	39%	67%
	My parents have taught me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	31%	47%	25%	38%
	I have chosen to wait until I'm married	30%	48%	29%	38%
	Other reason(s)	40%	29%	49%	28%

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