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#### 2007 MINNESOTA STUDENT SURVEY

### **Survey Participation**

The 2007 Minnesota Student Survey was administered in the spring of 2007 to public school students in Grades 6, 9, and 12 statewide. All public school districts in Minnesota were invited to participate. Of the 338 public operating districts, 309 agreed to participate (91% of public operating school districts).

Student participation was voluntary and surveys were anonymous. Across the state, approximately 81% of public school sixth graders, 76% of public school ninth graders, and 58% of public school twelfth graders participated in the 2007 Minnesota Student Survey. Overall participation across the three grades was approximately 72% 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**

Some of the 2007 survey instrument questions were changed from the 2004 survey instrument. While many questions stayed the same, there were questions that had updated or improved wording. Some entirely new questions were added and some questions were dropped. 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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### **Locating Minnesota Student Survey Items/Domains in the 2007 and 2004 Tables**

	Table #	
SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	2007	2004
Total number of surveys	1	1
Gender	1	1
Age	1	1
Race/ethnicity	1	1
Feelings about school	2	2
School plans	2	2
Truancy/skipping days of school	2	2
Grades received in school	3	3
Have or ever had an IEP	3	NA
Free/reduced-price lunch	3	NA
Changed schools	3	NA
Students are friendly	4	4
Students behave well	4	4
Students threatened students	4	4
Teachers interested in student	4	4
Teachers show respect for students	4	4
Feel safe going to and from school	5	5
Feel safe at school	5	5
Feel safe in neighborhood	5	NA
Bathrooms in school are safe	5	5
Illegal gang activity at school	5	5
Alcohol/drug use at school	5	5
Sold or given drug at school	6	6
Property stolen/damaged at school	6	6
Skipped school/felt unsafe	6	6
Threatened/assaulted at school	6	6
Sexual harassment at school	6	NA
Victim of bullying	7	NA
Being a bully	7	NA
Time on homework/study	8A	7A
Time reading	8A	7B
Time doing volunteer work	8A	7C
Time working for pay	8A	7C
Time watching TV/DVDs/videos	8B	7B
Time playing computer/video games	8B	7B
Time talking on phone/text messaging	8B	NA
Time online	8B	NA
Time hanging out	8B	7C
Fine arts activities	9A	NA
Private lessons	9A	NA
Club/community sports teams	9A	NA
School sports teams	9A	NA
Hobby/academic clubs	9B	NA
Community clubs/programs	9B	NA
Mentoring programs	9B	NA
Religious activities	9B	NA

	Table #		
SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	2007	2004	
Reasons for participating	10	NA	
Reasons for not participating	10	NA	
Which adults do you live with	11	9	
Talk with father about problems	11	9	
Talk with mother about problems	11	9	
Parents care about you	12	10	
Other adult relatives care about you	12	10	
Friends care about you	12	11	
Teachers/other adults at school care	12	11	
Church or spiritual leaders care	12	11	
Other adults in community care	12	11	
Family alcohol use problems	13	12	
Family drug use problems	13	12	
Perpetrator of relationship violence	14A	NA	
Victim of relationship violence	14A	NA	
Victim of relationship sexual assault	14A	NA	
Victim of physical abuse at home	14B	13	
Witness to physical abuse at home	14B	13	
Victim of extrafamilial sexual abuse	14B	14	
Victim of intrafamilial sexual abuse	14B	14	
Recency of last physical exam	15	15	
Ever told had asthma	15	NA	
Physical health problem	15	NA	
Mental/emotional health problem	15	NA	
Ever treated for mental/emotional	15	NA	
Ever treated for alcohol/drug problem	15	15	
Perception of current weight	16	16	
Activities to control weight*	16	16	
Weight status according to BMI	16	NA	
Strenuous exercise lasting 20 minutes	17	17	
Physical activity lasting 30 minutes	17	17	
Beverage consumption	18	18	
Servings of fruits/vegetables	18	18	
Use of seat belts	19	19	
Information sources/risk behaviors	20	20	
Headaches/stomachaches/sickness	21A	NA	
Irritable/angry	21A	NA	
Many fears/easily scared	21A	NA	
Trouble concentrating	21A	NA	
Restless	21A	NA	
Sleep trouble	21A	NA	
Impulsive	21A	NA	
Unhappy/depressed/tearful	21A	NA	
Emotional well-being /distress	21B	22	
Self-inflicted injury	22	NA	
Suicidal thoughts and attempts	22	23	

Not asked in 2004; new item(s) in 2007 Question changes in 2007 NA

### **Locating Minnesota Student Survey Items/Domains in the 2007 and 2004 Tables**

	Table #	
SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	2007	2004
Played cards for money	23	24
Bet on games of skill	23	24
Bet on sports teams/horseracing*	23	24
Bought lottery tickets	23	24
Gambled in a casino	23	24
Gambled for money online	23	NA
Running away from home	24	26
Vandalism	24	26
Physical fights	24	26
Shoplifting	24	26
Carrying a gun or other weapon	24	26
Use of any tobacco product past month	25	NA
Frequent use of any tobacco product	25	NA
Frequent binge drinking	25	27
Any alcohol/drug use past year	25	27
Frequency of cigarette use past month	26	28
Quantity of cigarettes past month	26	28
Age of first use of cigarettes	26	NA
Use of smokeless tobacco past month	27	NA
Use of cigars/cigarillos past month	27	NA
Age of first use of cigars/smokeless	27	NA
Sources for obtaining tobacco	28	30
Use of fake ID to purchase tobacco	28	30
Frequency of alcohol use past year	29	31
Frequency of alcohol use past month	29	31
Typical alcohol use quantity	29	31
Binge drinking past 2 weeks	29	31
Age of first alcohol use	30	NA
Sources for obtaining alcohol	31	32
Use of fake ID to purchase alcohol	31	32
Drinking and driving	32	33
Marijuana use past month	33	34
Age of first use of marijuana	33	NA
Use of other drugs past month	33	NA
Age of first use of other drugs	33	NA

	Table #		
SURVEY ITEM OR DOMAIN	2007	2004	
Marijuana use past year*	34	34	
Inhalant use past year*	34	34	
LSD/hallucinogen use past year*	34	36	
Heroin use past year*	34	36	
Methamphetamine use past year*	35	35	
Cocaine/crack use past year*	35	35	
MDMA/ecstasy use past year*	35	35	
Stimulant use past year	36A	NA	
ADHD/ADD drug use past year	36A	NA	
Pain reliever use past year	36A	NA	
Tranquilizer use past year	36A	NA	
Prescription drug use past year	36B	NA	
Substance use before/during school	37	38	
Talked about dangers of substance use	38	NA	
Social disapproval of substance use	38	NA	
Perceived risks from substance use	39	NA	
Need more substance to get effect	40A	41A	
Tried to reduce substance use	40A	41A	
Substance use hurt relationships*	40A	41A	
All day substance use or effects	40A	41A	
Given up activities to use substances*	40A	41A	
Use related emotional distress	40A	41A	
Use related neglect of responsibilities*	40B	41B	
Use related legal problems	40B	41B	
Use related violent behavior	40B	41B	
Use related memory problems	40B	41B	
Substance use greater than intended	40B	41B	
Sexual intercourse ever	41A	42A	
Number of sexual partners	41A	42A	
Pregnant or caused pregnancy	41A	42A	
Talk with partner about STD risk	41B	42B	
Talk about pregnancy prevention	41B	42B	
Frequency of birth control	41B	42B	
Frequency of condom use	41B	42B	
Use of condom during last intercourse	41B	42B	
Reasons for sexual abstinence*	42	43	

Not asked in 2004; new item(s) in 2007 Question changes in 2007 NA

## TABLE 1 DEMOGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION

		Grade							
		6th	1	9th		12tl	า		
		N	%	N	%	N	%		
Total number of	surveys	175	100%	225	100%	181	100%		
Gender	Male	81	46%	104	46%	90	50%		
	Female	94	54%	121	54%	91	50%		
Age	11 or younger	73	42%	0	0%	0	0%		
	12	98	56%	0	0%	0	0%		
	14	0	0%	95	42%	0	0%		
	15	0	0%	128	57%	0	0%		
	16	0	0%	2	1%	1	1%		
	17	0	0%	0	0%	74	41%		
	18	0	0%	0	0%	106	59%		
	No answer	4	2%	0	0%	0	0%		
Race/ethnicity	American Indian	4	2%	3	1%	0	0%		
	Black or African American	0	0%	1	0%	1	1%		
	Hispanic or Latino	2	1%	2	1%	3	2%		
	Asian American or Pacific Islander	2	1%	1	0%	1	1%		
	White	139	79%	199	88%	166	92%		
	Mixed race (checked more than one race/ethnicity)	4	2%	6	3%	5	3%		
	I don't know / no answer	24	14%	13	6%	5	3%		

# TABLE 2 FEELINGS ABOUT SCHOOL, SCHOOL PLANS, AND TRUANCY Houston County

		Grade						
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	
How do you feel about going to	I like school very much	11%	19%	5%	6%	7%	5%	
school?	I like school quite a bit	32%	34%	19%	33%	19%	37%	
	I like school a little	32%	29%	36%	31%	49%	40%	
	I don't like school very much	19%	13%	24%	15%	16%	12%	
	I hate school	6%	5%	17%	15%	9%	5%	
Which of these best describes your school plans? *	I would like to quit school as soon as I can			2%	3%	1%	0%	
	I plan to finish high school but won't go to college			6%	6%	14%	1%	
	I'd like to go to some kind of trade or vocational school			6%	3%	11%	4%	
	I'd like to go to college after high school			73%	67%	57%	74%	
	I'd like to go to college and then to graduate school			13%	22%	17%	21%	
During the last 30	Never	86%	84%	85%	82%	60%	76%	
days, how often have you skipped	Once or twice	9%	14%	13%	13%	30%	19%	
or cut full days of school?	3 to 5 times	5%	1%	1%	3%	8%	4%	
33.10011	6 to 10 times	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	
	More than 10 times	0%	0%	1%	2%	2%	0%	

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask this question.

### TABLE 3 ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND SCHOOL PROGRAMS **Houston County**

				Gra	ade		
		6t	h	9t	:h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Mark the two grades you get the	A only	2%	5%	1%	1%	0%	2%
most often.	A and B only	58%	71%	47%	64%	49%	76%
	B only	4%	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%
	B and C only	16%	17%	34%	16%	29%	15%
	C only	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%
	C and D only	5%	2%	9%	4%	14%	3%
	D only	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%
	D and F only	0%	1%	5%	2%	2%	0%
	F only	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	Not applicable or no answer	14%	3%	2%	10%	4%	2%
Do you have or have you ever had an IEP	Yes			11%	18%	8%	13%
(Individualized Education Plan)? *^	No			89%	82%	92%	87%
Do you currently get free or reduced-price lunch	Yes	22%	24%	14%	21%	5%	13%
at school? ^	No	78%	76%	86%	79%	95%	87%
Since the beginning of this school year,	0 times	91%	97%	99%	96%	99%	100%
how many times have you changed schools? ^	1 time	6%	3%	0%	2%	1%	0%
	2 times	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	3 or more times	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask this question. ^ New question in 2007.

# TABLE 4 PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT Houston County

		Grade								
		6t	6th 9th							
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female			
		%	%	%	%	%	%			
How many students in	All	2%	2%	2%	2%	7%	3%			
your school are friendly?	Most	58%	63%	51%	50%	55%	67%			
	Some	31%	28%	37%	35%	35%	24%			
	A few	9%	7%	10%	12%	2%	6%			
	None	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%			
How many students in	All	3%	8%	1%	4%	2%	1%			
your school behave well in the hallways and	Most	50%	41%	30%	41%	45%	58%			
lunchroom?	Some	31%	33%	43%	32%	40%	30%			
	A few	14%	18%	23%	17%	11%	10%			
	None	3%	0%	3%	5%	1%	1%			
How many students in	All	0%	0%	3%	4%	2%	1%			
your school have made fun of or threatened	Most	9%	6%	13%	17%	8%	8%			
students of different races or backgrounds?	Some	10%	8%	20%	16%	28%	16%			
Ū	A few	28%	48%	47%	48%	51%	60%			
	None	53%	39%	18%	16%	11%	16%			
How many of your	All	19%	24%	5%	3%	7%	4%			
teachers are interested in you as a person?	Most	28%	34%	25%	27%	36%	43%			
	Some	33%	15%	30%	33%	31%	30%			
	A few	11%	16%	31%	22%	19%	18%			
	None	8%	11%	9%	16%	8%	4%			
How many of your	All	69%	62%	20%	27%	20%	27%			
teachers show respect for students?	Most	23%	25%	45%	42%	50%	47%			
	Some	3%	3%	22%	16%	19%	16%			
	A few	4%	8%	10%	12%	10%	11%			
	None	1%	2%	3%	3%	1%	0%			

# TABLE 5 PERCEPTIONS OF SCHOOL AND NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY Houston County

				Gra	ide		
How much do you on	uraa ar diaaaraa	6th		9th		12	th
How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?  I feel safe going to Strongly agree		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
I feel safe going to	Strongly agree	49%	38%	49%	45%	61%	63%
and from school	Agree	41%	55%	42%	46%	36%	36%
	Disagree	9%	4%	7%	7%	0%	1%
	Strongly disagree	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	0%
I feel safe at school	Strongly agree	55%	44%	37%	43%	64%	57%
	Agree	38%	49%	51%	48%	30%	43%
	Disagree	5%	3%	9%	8%	2%	0%
	Strongly disagree	3%	3%	4%	1%	3%	0%
I feel safe in my	Strongly agree	58%	42%	54%	51%	64%	68%
neighborhood ^	Agree	34%	46%	42%	45%	31%	29%
	Disagree	8%	10%	3%	3%	1%	3%
	Strongly disagree	0%	2%	1%	1%	5%	0%
Bathrooms in this	Strongly agree	35%	35%	32%	38%	49%	55%
school are a safe place to be	Agree	48%	52%	50%	46%	46%	42%
	Disagree	14%	10%	14%	11%	3%	2%
	Strongly disagree	3%	3%	4%	5%	1%	1%
Illegal gang activity	Strongly agree	3%	7%	3%	1%	5%	0%
is a problem at this school	Agree	9%	12%	8%	8%	5%	1%
	Disagree	33%	30%	32%	40%	18%	27%
	Strongly disagree	55%	51%	57%	50%	73%	72%
Student use of	Strongly agree	6%	9%	17%	28%	27%	27%
alcohol or drugs is a problem at this	Agree	20%	19%	37%	40%	34%	42%
school	Disagree	28%	30%	37%	22%	30%	22%
	Strongly disagree	46%	42%	8%	11%	9%	9%

<sup>^</sup> New question in 2007.

### **TABLE 6** VICTIMIZATION AT SCHOOL

			-	Grade 6th 9th				
			Male	th Female	9th Male Female		Male	th Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, has anyone offered, sold, or	Yes		3%	1%	13%	7%	17%	9%
given you an illegal drug on school property?	No		98%	99%	88%	93%	83%	91%
During the last 12 months, how many	0 times		78%	62%	61%	70%	74%	85%
times has someone stolen or deliberately	1 time		10%	26%	17%	21%	18%	12%
damaged your property on school property?	2 or 3 times		13%	10%	13%	7%	7%	2%
	4 or 5 times		0%	1%	4%	1%	0%	1%
	6 or more times		0%	1%	5%	1%	1%	0%
During the last 30 days, how many	0 days		100%	95%	97%	96%	92%	99%
days did you not go to school because	1 day		0%	3%	0%	2%	2%	1%
you felt unsafe at school or going to/from school?	2 or 3 days		0%	1%	2%	0%	2%	0%
to/from school?	4 or 5 days		0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	6 or more days		0%	0%	0%	2%	3%	0%
During the last 12 months, which of the	Threatened you?	Yes	17%	16%	34%	18%	14%	6%
following has happened to you on		No	83%	84%	66%	82%	86%	94%
school property? Has a student:	Pushed, shoved, or grabbed you?	Yes	61%	47%	63%	30%	39%	12%
		No	39%	53%	38%	70%	61%	88%
	Kicked, bitten, or hit you?	Yes	40%	28%	51%	15%	29%	4%
		No	60%	72%	49%	85%	71%	96%
	Stabbed you or fired a gun at you?	Yes	0%	1%	2%	0%	2%	0%
		No	100%	99%	98%	100%	98%	100%
	Touched, grabbed, or pinched you in a	Yes			27%	16%	30%	16%
	sexual way? *^	No			73%	84%	70%	84%
	Made unwanted sexual comments,	Yes			25%	30%	26%	22%
	jokes, gestures, or looks toward you? *^	No			75%	70%	74%	78%

 $<sup>^{\</sup>ast}$  6th grade survey did not ask this question. ^ New question in 2007.

## TABLE 7 BULLYING ^

				Gra	ide		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
		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	59%	40%	52%	40%	72%	68%
	Once or twice	27%	44%	25%	43%	18%	26%
	About once a week	5%	6%	13%	5%	2%	4%
	Several times a week	5%	8%	7%	5%	4%	2%
	Every day	4%	2%	3%	7%	3%	0%
During the last 30 days, how often	Never	59%	65%	42%	54%	51%	67%
have you, on your own or as part of a group, made fun of	Once or twice	34%	33%	23%	32%	29%	28%
or teased another student in a hurtful way or excluded another student from friends or	About once a week	5%	1%	16%	3%	7%	3%
	Several times a week	0%	0%	14%	3%	8%	2%
activities?	Every day	1%	1%	4%	8%	6%	0%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

### TABLE 8A USE OF TIME

				Gra	nde		
	ool year, how many	6t	h	9t	h	12	th
hours in a typic spend doing the		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Homework or	0 hours	4%	4%	10%	4%	23%	8%
study	1-2 hours	43%	42%	45%	34%	37%	32%
	3-5 hours	32%	24%	30%	38%	25%	29%
	6-10 hours	13%	18%	11%	18%	10%	22%
	11-20 hours	6%	7%	2%	3%	3%	6%
	21 hours or more	1%	4%	3%	3%	1%	3%
Reading for	0 hours	26%	15%	58%	45%	62%	33%
pleasure	1-2 hours	51%	57%	30%	32%	21%	38%
	3-5 hours	16%	15%	8%	12%	8%	19%
	6-10 hours	3%	7%	2%	8%	4%	6%
	11-20 hours	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%
	21 hours or more	1%	4%	0%	1%	4%	3%
Volunteer	0 hours	77%	65%	75%	66%	61%	49%
work or community	1-2 hours	12%	25%	21%	23%	32%	35%
service	3-5 hours	8%	8%	5%	5%	5%	10%
	6-10 hours	3%	1%	0%	4%	1%	3%
	11-20 hours	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%
	21 hours or more	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%
Work for pay	0 hours	57%	36%	49%	40%	29%	17%
(including babysitting for	1-2 hours	26%	30%	20%	26%	5%	7%
others)	3-5 hours	11%	16%	13%	17%	8%	7%
	6-10 hours	4%	12%	10%	11%	15%	26%
	11-20 hours	1%	1%	5%	3%	21%	31%
	21 hours or more	1%	5%	4%	3%	22%	13%

### TABLE 8B USE OF TIME Houston County

	_			Gra	de		
During the school hours in a typical v		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
spend doing the fo		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Watching TV, DVDs or videos	0 hours	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%
DVDS or videos	1-2 hours	22%	36%	21%	24%	17%	24%
	3-5 hours	32%	40%	21%	36%	28%	34%
	6-10 hours	19%	15%	32%	25%	27%	24%
	11-20 hours	13%	5%	16%	11%	17%	15%
	21 hours or more	12%	2%	9%	3%	9%	3%
Playing computer	0 hours	12%	25%	13%	36%	28%	63%
or video games	1-2 hours	23%	45%	24%	35%	26%	24%
	3-5 hours	27%	17%	22%	17%	20%	6%
	6-10 hours	14%	6%	23%	5%	9%	5%
	11-20 hours	13%	3%	11%	7%	9%	0%
	21 hours or more	10%	3%	7%	0%	8%	2%
Talking on the	0 hours	68%	33%	43%	19%	22%	11%
phone or text messaging ^	1-2 hours	22%	49%	27%	39%	35%	42%
	3-5 hours	5%	11%	13%	15%	21%	21%
	6-10 hours	3%	4%	9%	14%	7%	17%
	11-20 hours	3%	0%	5%	8%	12%	4%
	21 hours or more	0%	2%	3%	5%	2%	4%
Online activities	0 hours	41%	33%	24%	16%	23%	12%
(e-mail, instant messaging,	1-2 hours	29%	43%	30%	28%	27%	39%
blogging, web surfing, etc.) ^	3-5 hours	21%	13%	14%	19%	26%	23%
surring, etc.) ^	6-10 hours	3%	6%	16%	21%	13%	12%
	11-20 hours	3%	0%	9%	12%	7%	7%
	21 hours or more	3%	4%	8%	4%	5%	7%
Hanging out	0 hours	18%	9%	10%	5%	6%	1%
	1-2 hours	32%	26%	20%	20%	8%	9%
	3-5 hours	19%	27%	26%	18%	13%	22%
	6-10 hours	18%	23%	18%	20%	35%	31%
	11-20 hours	4%	7%	12%	23%	13%	27%
	21 hours or more	9%	9%	14%	14%	25%	10%

<sup>^</sup> New question in 2007.

### TABLE 9A ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES ^ Houston County

<b>5</b>	, , .			Gra	de		
During the school have you particip		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
following?	ateu III trie	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Fine arts activities (band,	Not available in my community	3%	0%	1%	1%	3%	1%
choir, dance, drama, etc.)	Never	12%	2%	55%	46%	63%	39%
drama, etc.)	A few times a year	4%	2%	4%	8%	6%	10%
	Monthly	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	1-2 times per week	12%	11%	0%	2%	6%	1%
	3-4 times per week	10%	21%	7%	2%	6%	4%
	Every day	60%	64%	32%	40%	16%	43%
Private lessons (music, dance,	Not available in my community	8%	3%	3%	2%	1%	2%
etc.)	Never	59%	50%	72%	61%	83%	62%
	A few times a year	3%	6%	3%	7%	3%	4%
	Monthly	0%	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%
	1-2 times per week	27%	26%	17%	21%	7%	20%
	3-4 times per week	1%	10%	3%	2%	3%	1%
	Every day	3%	2%	0%	3%	0%	7%
Club or community	Not available in my community	6%	3%	4%	3%	1%	4%
sports teams	Never	28%	17%	44%	42%	47%	60%
	A few times a year	14%	15%	16%	17%	13%	11%
	Monthly	10%	8%	3%	3%	7%	4%
	1-2 times per week	22%	24%	9%	6%	12%	1%
	3-4 times per week	13%	26%	9%	16%	10%	9%
	Every day	8%	7%	17%	13%	10%	10%
School sports teams	Not available in my community	22%	22%	0%	3%	0%	0%
	Never	27%	38%	31%	38%	36%	49%
	A few times a year	9%	8%	12%	9%	13%	9%
	Monthly	3%	3%	5%	6%	3%	5%
	1-2 times per week	18%	16%	1%	2%	1%	3%
	3-4 times per week	16%	10%	11%	11%	13%	17%
	Every day	5%	3%	39%	31%	34%	17%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

### TABLE 9B ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES ^ Houston County

				Gra	de		
During the school y have you participat		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
following?	led III tile	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Hobby and academic clubs	Not available in my community	8%	4%	5%	6%	6%	3%
(chess, history, debate, math	Never	63%	73%	82%	77%	70%	63%
team, etc.)	A few times a year	9%	4%	3%	3%	3%	7%
	Monthly	3%	7%	2%	6%	8%	7%
	1-2 times per week	12%	10%	5%	5%	8%	13%
	3-4 times per week	4%	1%	2%	3%	2%	7%
	Every day	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%
Community clubs and programs	Not available in my community	4%	1%	2%	3%	3%	0%
(4-H, Park and Rec, Community	Never	61%	55%	80%	64%	71%	72%
Ed., etc.)	A few times a year	7%	9%	8%	17%	9%	9%
	Monthly	15%	12%	7%	8%	10%	15%
	1-2 times per week	10%	12%	2%	3%	3%	4%
	3-4 times per week	0%	7%	0%	2%	1%	0%
	Every day	3%	4%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Mentoring programs	Not available in my community	13%	16%	4%	8%	3%	3%
	Never	78%	77%	88%	82%	89%	82%
	A few times a year	4%	3%	2%	3%	5%	7%
	Monthly	0%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%
	1-2 times per week	3%	1%	4%	3%	1%	2%
	3-4 times per week	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
	Every day	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	2%
Religious activities	Not available in my community	11%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%
(religious	Never	45%	31%	37%	32%	52%	40%
services, education, youth group, etc.)	A few times a year	11%	15%	14%	9%	19%	17%
	Monthly	4%	17%	14%	10%	12%	11%
	1-2 times per week	27%	29%	32%	42%	14%	27%
	3-4 times per week	1%	6%	1%	3%	2%	2%
	Every day	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

# TABLE 10 REASONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES ^ Houston County

				Gra	ıde		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
In general, why do	To have fun	80%	82%	80%	84%	82%	86%
you participate in school-based or community-based activities and clubs? (Mark all that apply)	To learn new skills	58%	57%	33%	48%	35%	42%
	My parents or guardians want me to	21%	21%	24%	30%	23%	23%
	My friends participate	30%	40%	47%	49%	30%	42%
	To help me get into college	23%	25%	33%	49%	32%	52%
	Participate for other reasons	14%	27%	24%	19%	12%	12%
In general, why don't you participate in any	Activities are not available in my community	10%	5%	2%	8%	7%	2%
school-based or community-based activities and	Activities cost too much	15%	25%	11%	18%	18%	17%
clubs? (Mark all that apply)	My parents or guardians won't let me	0%	18%	6%	6%	4%	0%
	My friends don't participate	10%	11%	17%	18%	7%	13%
	I'm not interested	69%	61%	70%	66%	64%	62%
	I am too busy with other things	23%	43%	30%	40%	47%	62%
	I didn't make the team/pass the audition, etc.	3%	2%	0%	5%	2%	4%
	I was kicked off or removed	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	2%
	Don't participate for other reasons	21%	30%	23%	20%	24%	21%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

# TABLE 11 FAMILY COMPOSITION AND PARENTAL COMMUNICATION Houston County

				Gra	ıde		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Which adults do you live with?	Both biological parents	65%	57%	63%	60%	69%	68%
	Both adoptive parents	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
	Mother and stepfather	2%	1%	5%	8%	7%	8%
	Father and stepmother	0%	1%	2%	0%	1%	2%
	Mother only	9%	12%	15%	14%	8%	9%
	Father only	1%	2%	1%	3%	4%	4%
	Sometimes with mother, sometimes with father	14%	22%	11%	11%	7%	3%
	Other	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	4%
	No adults or no answer	5%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%
Can you talk to your father	Yes, most of the time	52%	33%	40%	26%	33%	20%
about problems you are having?	Yes, some of the time	27%	28%	30%	31%	32%	35%
	No, not very often	13%	17%	15%	19%	22%	27%
	No, not at all	5%	9%	7%	13%	7%	10%
	My father is not around	4%	13%	9%	10%	6%	8%
Can you talk to your mother	Yes, most of the time	62%	59%	49%	50%	41%	49%
about problems you are having?	Yes, some of the time	29%	30%	40%	27%	37%	30%
	No, not very often	8%	7%	4%	13%	15%	15%
	No, not at all	0%	1%	6%	7%	6%	4%
	My mother is not around	1%	3%	2%	3%	1%	1%

## TABLE 12 PERCEPTIONS OF FAMILY AND OTHERS CARING Houston County

				Gra	ide		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
How much do you	feel	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
your parents care about you?	Not at all	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%
care about you?	A little	1%	1%	3%	3%	4%	1%
	Some	1%	4%	3%	4%	11%	3%
	Quite a bit	3%	10%	21%	13%	17%	16%
	Very much	94%	84%	72%	79%	68%	80%
other adult	Not at all	1%	0%	1%	4%	1%	1%
relatives care about you?	A little	1%	1%	6%	1%	6%	1%
-	Some	8%	5%	20%	7%	13%	17%
	Quite a bit	17%	17%	25%	27%	30%	24%
	Very much	73%	76%	48%	61%	50%	57%
friends care	Not at all	1%	4%	1%	2%	1%	0%
about you?	A little	8%	4%	17%	8%	8%	7%
	Some	33%	8%	30%	19%	24%	12%
	Quite a bit	41%	49%	46%	29%	44%	40%
	Very much	17%	34%	7%	42%	22%	40%
teachers/ other	Not at all	5%	4%	7%	9%	2%	4%
adults at school care about you? ^	A little	6%	12%	28%	17%	14%	22%
·	Some	26%	27%	39%	33%	45%	30%
	Quite a bit	37%	38%	22%	31%	27%	30%
	Very much	26%	19%	4%	10%	12%	12%
religious or	Not at all	18%	12%	22%	12%	11%	10%
spiritual leaders care about you? ^	A little	10%	8%	15%	14%	19%	26%
•	Some	21%	27%	24%	22%	36%	14%
	Quite a bit	29%	29%	24%	26%	24%	26%
	Very much	23%	24%	16%	25%	11%	24%
other adults in	Not at all	12%	2%	11%	8%	8%	7%
your community care about you?	A little	13%	19%	32%	19%	26%	22%
	Some	38%	28%	32%	38%	31%	34%
	Quite a bit	22%	34%	20%	25%	28%	26%
	Very much	15%	17%	6%	10%	7%	11%

<sup>^</sup> Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.

# TABLE 13 FAMILY SUBSTANCE ABUSE Houston County

				Gra	ıde			
		6t	h	9t	h	12th		
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	
Has alcohol use by any family member repeatedly caused	Yes	12%	18%	16%	18%	13%	21%	
family, health, job, or legal problems?	No	88%	82%	84%	82%	87%	79%	
Has drug use by any family member repeatedly caused	Yes	4%	12%	11%	11%	14%	8%	
family, health, job, or legal problems?	No	96%	88%	89%	89%	86%	92%	

### **TABLE 14A** PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE \*^

			Gra	ıde	
		9t	:h	12	th
		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	2%	3%	4%	0%
	No	98%	97%	96%	100%
Has someone you were going out with ever hit you, threatened	Yes	3%	5%	9%	8%
you or made you feel afraid?	No	97%	95%	91%	92%
Has someone you were going out with ever forced you to have sex or	Yes	3%	3%	5%	8%
do something sexual when you didn't want to?	No	97%	97%	95%	92%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions. ^ New questions in 2007.

## TABLE 14B PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE

				Gra	ıde		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Has any adult in your household ever hit you so hard or so often that	Yes	7%	14%	9%	10%	10%	7%
you had marks or were afraid of that person?	No	93%	86%	91%	90%	90%	93%
Has anyone in your family ever hit anyone else in the family so	Yes	4%	15%	10%	11%	6%	11%
hard or so often that they had marks or were afraid of that person?	No	96%	85%	90%	89%	94%	89%
Has any older person outside the family touched you sexually	Yes	1%	9%	3%	5%	1%	6%
against your wishes or forced you to touch them sexually?	No	99%	91%	97%	95%	99%	94%
Has any older/stronger member of your family touched you sexually or had you touch them sexually?	Yes	0%	4%	1%	4%	1%	4%
	No	100%	96%	99%	96%	99%	96%

### **TABLE 15 GENERAL HEALTH ISSUES**

				Gra	ıde		
		61	:h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
When was the last time you had a physical exam?	Within the last 12 months	57%	61%	45%	38%	34%	33%
physical exam:	1-2 years ago	19%	21%	40%	47%	46%	43%
	3-4 years ago	6%	6%	9%	5%	14%	19%
	More than 4 years ago	3%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%
	I have never had a physical exam	15%	10%	3%	6%	2%	3%
Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma? ^	Yes	14%	16%	11%	10%	10%	15%
	No	86%	84%	89%	90%	90%	85%
Do you have a physical health	No	87%	83%	89%	93%	92%	89%
condition or problem that has lasted at least 12 months? ^	Yes	13%	17%	11%	8%	8%	11%
Do you have a mental or emotional health	No	92%	91%	93%	84%	86%	82%
problem that has lasted at least 12 months? ^	Yes	8%	9%	7%	16%	14%	18%
Have you ever been treated for a mental or	No			91%	93%	89%	82%
emotional health problem? *^	Yes, during the last year			6%	3%	7%	10%
	Yes, more than a year ago			3%	3%	5%	8%
Have you ever been treated for an alcohol	No			100%	100%	94%	99%
or other drug problem? *^^	Yes, during the last year			0%	0%	6%	1%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask this question.^ New question in 2007.^ New response options in 2007.

### TABLE 16 WEIGHT-RELATED ISSUES

### **Houston County**

					Gra	nde		
			61	:h	9t	h	12	th
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
At the present time, do you	Underweight		13%	15%	16%	2%	19%	6%
think you are	About the right weig	ght	72%	66%	65%	67%	70%	58%
	Overweight		15%	19%	19%	31%	10%	37%
During the last	I am not trying to	Yes			53%	25%	59%	27%
12 months, have lose weight or control my weight	No			47%	75%	41%	73%	
the following to lose or control	Fast or skip meals	Yes			15%	26%	13%	32%
weight? (Mark all that apply) *^		No			85%	74%	88%	68%
an that apply)	Smoke cigarettes	Yes			2%	4%	3%	3%
		No			98%	96%	97%	97%
	Exercise	Yes			45%	67%	34%	54%
		No			55%	33%	66%	46%
	Use diet pills,	Yes			1%	3%	2%	5%
	speed or other drugs	No			99%	97%	98%	95%
	Eat healthier	Yes			28%	63%	25%	67%
		No			72%	37%	75%	33%
	Vomit on purpose	Yes			2%	3%	2%	4%
	after eating	No			98%	97%	98%	96%
	Use laxatives	Yes			1%	2%	1%	2%
		No			99%	98%	99%	98%
Weight status *	Not overweight				73%	83%	79%	84%
according to Body Mass Index (BMI) **	At risk for overweig	ht			12%	12%	14%	12%
,	Overweight				15%	5%	7%	4%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.

Not overweight: Less than the 85th percentile

At risk of overweight: 85th to less than the 95th percentile Overweight: Equal to or greater than the 95th percentile

<sup>^</sup> Variations in the number and order of these response options may affect year-to-year comparisons. Two response options are new in 2007.

<sup>\*\*</sup> 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. New questions in 2007.

### TABLE 17 EXERCISE

				Gra	de		
		6t	h	9tl	h	12:	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
On how many of the last 7 days	0 days	15%	2%	17%	11%	15%	27%
did you exercise	1 day	10%	5%	3%	10%	8%	13%
or play sports that made you	2 days	9%	13%	11%	11%	9%	13%
sweat or breathe hard for at least	3 days	14%	8%	10%	18%	5%	20%
20 minutes?	4 days	11%	25%	12%	13%	11%	9%
	5 days	18%	20%	18%	16%	18%	9%
	6 days	9%	9%	7%	7%	13%	5%
	7 days	15%	18%	22%	14%	22%	3%
On how many of	0 days	8%	2%	3%	8%	9%	18%
the last 7 days were you	1 day	8%	2%	1%	13%	2%	13%
physically active for a combined	2 days	18%	13%	7%	8%	11%	13%
total of at least 30 minutes?	3 days	10%	20%	17%	13%	6%	23%
	4 days	13%	16%	9%	19%	8%	12%
	5 days	14%	16%	20%	19%	20%	8%
	6 days	9%	10%	5%	6%	14%	7%
	7 days	19%	21%	38%	13%	30%	6%

### TABLE 18 NUTRITION

				Gra	ide		
	Sarah at tha	6t	h	9t	h	12	th
How many glasses of following did you drir		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Milk	0 glasses	11%	9%	16%	24%	17%	29%
	1-2 glasses	37%	52%	48%	51%	40%	56%
	3-4 glasses	43%	27%	18%	20%	32%	14%
	5 or more glasses	9%	13%	17%	5%	11%	1%
100% fruit juice	0 glasses	49%	38%	51%	52%	46%	54%
	1-2 glasses	40%	43%	36%	39%	41%	39%
	3-4 glasses	9%	14%	9%	5%	7%	7%
	5 or more glasses	3%	4%	4%	3%	6%	0%
Fruit juice drinks	0 glasses	62%	48%	56%	57%	59%	65%
	1-2 glasses	26%	38%	33%	29%	27%	31%
	3-4 glasses	11%	10%	8%	13%	9%	5%
	5 or more glasses	1%	4%	3%	1%	5%	0%
Pop or soda	0 glasses	49%	53%	39%	61%	39%	53%
	1-2 glasses	39%	41%	40%	30%	42%	43%
	3-4 glasses	7%	2%	13%	5%	11%	4%
	5 or more glasses	5%	3%	7%	4%	8%	0%
Sports drinks	0 glasses	65%	62%	58%	69%	66%	78%
	1-2 glasses	23%	29%	28%	19%	18%	16%
	3-4 glasses	11%	5%	11%	8%	7%	7%
	5 or more glasses	1%	4%	3%	3%	9%	0%
Water	0 glasses	6%	4%	6%	7%	10%	8%
	1-2 glasses	32%	24%	31%	30%	22%	33%
	3-4 glasses	27%	32%	28%	27%	26%	43%
	5 or more glasses	35%	40%	36%	37%	41%	16%
How many servings	0 servings	14%	3%	8%	4%	8%	10%
of fruits, fruit juices, or vegetables did	1 serving	14%	5%	10%	8%	14%	14%
you eat yesterday?	2 servings	27%	22%	37%	20%	25%	22%
	3 servings	22%	32%	16%	28%	16%	30%
	4 servings	12%	23%	15%	23%	14%	11%
	5 or more servings	12%	15%	14%	17%	24%	12%

### TABLE 19 SEAT BELT USE

		Grade					
		6t	h	9t	th	12	th
when you	u wear a seat belt	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
ride in a car?	Never	2%	1%	5%	2%	12%	7%
	Sometimes	15%	16%	24%	13%	27%	12%
	Often	23%	24%	31%	30%	21%	22%
	Always	59%	59%	40%	56%	40%	59%
drive a car? *	I never do this activity			40%	50%	3%	0%
	Never			3%	4%	11%	4%
	Sometimes			7%	1%	25%	13%
	Often			7%	2%	13%	9%
	Always			43%	43%	47%	74%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask this question.

### TABLE 20 SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON RISK BEHAVIORS Houston County

				Gra	ıde		
14/baya baya yay yaa	since of many of second	6t	:h	9t	h	12th	
Where have you received most of your information about		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
alcohol and other drugs? (Mark all	Friends or peers	16%	30%	63%	76%	77%	86%
that apply)	Parents	54%	61%	51%	47%	44%	48%
	Brothers or sisters	10%	28%	24%	25%	17%	36%
	School/teachers/ counselors	68%	80%	51%	59%	47%	45%
	Clinics/doctors/ nurses	12%	28%	9%	9%	6%	11%
	Religious/ community groups ^	4%	10%	3%	9%	7%	2%
	Internet	9%	14%	18%	17%	24%	19%
	TV/radio/magazines/ newspapers/books	27%	46%	37%	53%	34%	44%
	I do not know much about alcohol or other drugs	7%	9%	2%	4%	3%	7%
sex? (Mark all	Friends or peers	15%	20%	69%	69%	74%	78%
that apply)	Parents	33%	45%	31%	35%	23%	34%
	Brothers or sisters	9%	12%	13%	11%	7%	18%
	School/teachers/ counselors	37%	43%	45%	53%	41%	43%
	Clinics/doctors/ nurses	7%	11%	3%	13%	8%	21%
	Religious/ community groups ^	1%	3%	4%	8%	6%	4%
	Internet	5%	2%	37%	17%	36%	16%
	TV/radio/magazines/ newspapers/books	17%	22%	35%	46%	28%	48%
	I do not know much about sex	17%	19%	2%	3%	2%	2%

<sup>^</sup> New response option in 2007.

### TABLE 21A EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS ^ Houston County

				Gra	de		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
How much do you ag the following stateme		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
I get a lot of headaches,	Agree	22%	28%	12%	26%	9%	22%
stomachaches or	Mostly agree	16%	33%	11%	19%	15%	24%
sickness.	Mostly disagree	23%	17%	38%	32%	33%	27%
	Disagree	39%	22%	40%	22%	43%	27%
I am often irritable	Agree	8%	10%	15%	14%	2%	12%
and angry.	Mostly agree	23%	14%	17%	17%	16%	12%
	Mostly disagree	36%	29%	44%	41%	44%	44%
	Disagree	32%	47%	24%	28%	37%	31%
I have many fears and am easily scared.	Agree	4%	14%	5%	11%	2%	9%
	Mostly agree	8%	24%	5%	24%	5%	13%
	Mostly disagree	38%	28%	29%	29%	27%	28%
	Disagree	51%	33%	61%	37%	66%	49%
I often have trouble concentrating.	Agree	19%	10%	12%	23%	14%	18%
	Mostly agree	7%	27%	34%	24%	30%	31%
	Mostly disagree	34%	20%	32%	37%	30%	33%
	Disagree	41%	43%	22%	17%	26%	18%
I am restless and	Agree	13%	19%	17%	16%	9%	12%
cannot stay still for long.	Mostly agree	26%	23%	29%	19%	33%	26%
J	Mostly disagree	25%	19%	25%	35%	29%	29%
	Disagree	36%	39%	29%	30%	29%	33%
I often have trouble	Agree	15%	20%	17%	19%	12%	20%
getting to sleep and staying asleep.	Mostly agree	15%	18%	17%	24%	14%	17%
, J	Mostly disagree	35%	20%	34%	30%	40%	34%
	Disagree	36%	42%	31%	27%	35%	29%
I do things before I	Agree	13%	15%	19%	19%	13%	11%
think.	Mostly agree	25%	25%	32%	29%	20%	19%
	Mostly disagree	31%	37%	30%	32%	45%	40%
	Disagree	31%	24%	20%	20%	22%	29%
I am often unhappy,	Agree	5%	6%	7%	14%	5%	9%
depressed or tearful.	Mostly agree	5%	12%	12%	8%	7%	12%
	Mostly disagree	27%	23%	32%	28%	26%	30%
	Disagree	62%	59%	50%	49%	63%	48%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

### TABLE 21B EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/DISTRESS Houston County

				Gra	de		
		6t	h	9tl	h	12t	h
During the last 30 da	vs	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
have you felt you were under any	Yes, almost more than I could take	5%	5%	7%	17%	13%	19%
stress or pressure?	Yes, quite a bit of pressure	10%	12%	21%	20%	21%	29%
	Yes, more than usual	9%	12%	16%	19%	15%	16%
	Yes, a little	50%	50%	39%	36%	34%	30%
	Not at all	26%	21%	17%	8%	16%	7%
have you felt	All the time	4%	2%	1%	6%	0%	4%
sad?	Most of the time	3%	9%	4%	12%	7%	8%
	Some of the time	19%	24%	22%	32%	24%	32%
	Little of the time	52%	52%	46%	40%	40%	48%
	None of the time	22%	14%	27%	9%	29%	8%
have you felt so discouraged or hopeless that you	Extremely so, to the point that I have just about given up	3%	1%	3%	10%	6%	3%
wondered if anything was	Quite a bit	5%	10%	10%	9%	2%	7%
worthwhile?	Some, enough to bother me	13%	10%	13%	12%	16%	13%
	A little bit	27%	33%	22%	25%	18%	28%
	Not at all	52%	46%	52%	44%	58%	49%
have you felt	All the time	3%	7%	2%	7%	1%	4%
nervous, worried, or upset?	Most of the time	4%	10%	6%	17%	8%	9%
•	Some of the time	18%	22%	29%	26%	34%	25%
	Little of the time	46%	46%	45%	45%	38%	53%
	None of the time	29%	15%	18%	6%	19%	9%

# TABLE 22 SELF-INFLICTED INJURY, SUICIDAL THOUGHTS AND SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR Houston County

				Gra	ıde		
		61	h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Have you ever hurt yourself on purpose ("cutting", burns, bruises)? ^	No	86%	90%	82%	76%	92%	73%
	Yes, during the last year	8%	10%	11%	16%	8%	9%
,,	Yes, more than a year ago	6%	0%	7%	8%	0%	18%
Have you ever	No	87%	89%	80%	73%	71%	76%
thought about killing yourself?	Yes, during the last year	9%	9%	13%	15%	20%	12%
	Yes, more than a year ago	4%	2%	7%	12%	9%	12%
Have you ever tried	No	97%	100%	97%	93%	94%	94%
to kill yourself?	Yes, during the last year	1%	0%	2%	4%	4%	1%
	Yes, more than a year ago	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%	4%

<sup>^</sup> New question in 2007.

### **TABLE 23 GAMBLING BEHAVIOR \***

		Grade						
During the last 12 i	months how often	9th	1	12t	h			
have you done the		Male	Female	Male	Female			
		%	%	%	%			
Played cards for money	Not at all	67%	82%	36%	76%			
	Less than once a month	20%	10%	36%	16%			
	About once a month	9%	5%	19%	1%			
	About once a week	4%	3%	7%	7%			
	Daily	0%	0%	2%	1%			
Bet on games of	Not at all	73%	89%	49%	86%			
personal skill like pool, golf, or	Less than once a month	16%	8%	31%	12%			
bowling	About once a month	8%	2%	14%	1%			
	About once a week	4%	2%	4%	0%			
	Daily	0%	0%	2%	1%			
Bet money on	Not at all	73%	91%	76%	90%			
sports teams or horseracing ^	Less than once a month	18%	8%	8%	9%			
	About once a month	6%	0%	11%	0%			
	About once a week	3%	2%	4%	0%			
	Daily	0%	0%	1%	1%			
Bought lottery	Not at all	84%	92%	65%	73%			
tickets or scratch offs	Less than once a month	10%	5%	25%	19%			
	About once a month	3%	1%	6%	7%			
	About once a week	3%	3%	4%	0%			
	Daily	0%	0%	0%	1%			
Gambled in a	Not at all	99%	99%	94%	96%			
casino	Less than once a month	0%	0%	4%	2%			
	About once a month	0%	0%	2%	1%			
	About once a week	1%	1%	0%	0%			
	Daily	0%	0%	0%	1%			
Gambled for	Not at all	99%	99%	98%	99%			
money online ^^	Less than once a month	0%	0%	1%	0%			
	About once a week	1%	1%	1%	0%			
	Daily	0%	0%	0%	1%			

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.
^ Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.
^ New question in 2007.

# TABLE 24 DESTRUCTIVE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR Houston County

		Grade						
		6t	h	9tl	h	12t	h	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	
During the last 12 months, how often	Never	96%	92%	90%	91%	89%	96%	
have you run away	Once or twice	3%	8%	6%	7%	6%	3%	
from home?	3 to 5 times	1%	0%	3%	1%	2%	1%	
	6 to 10 times	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	
	More than 10 times	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	
During the last 12	Never	91%	90%	68%	85%	82%	93%	
months, how often have you damaged	Once or twice	6%	9%	21%	12%	12%	3%	
or destroyed property at school or	3 to 5 times	1%	1%	7%	2%	2%	2%	
somewhere else?	6 to 10 times	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%	
	More than 10 times	0%	0%	3%	0%	4%	0%	
During the last 12 months, how often	Never	76%	79%	59%	81%	74%	90%	
have you hit or beat	Once or twice	20%	15%	27%	14%	17%	10%	
up another person?	3 to 5 times	3%	1%	7%	2%	2%	0%	
	6 to 10 times	0%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	
	More than 10 times	1%	3%	7%	3%	5%	0%	
During the last 12	Never	98%	99%	77%	87%	75%	91%	
months, how often have you taken	Once or twice	1%	1%	14%	7%	13%	8%	
something from a store without paying	3 to 5 times	0%	0%	3%	2%	6%	1%	
for it?	6 to 10 times	1%	0%	4%	2%	4%	0%	
	More than 10 times	0%	0%	2%	2%	2%	0%	
On how many of the	0 days	100%	100%	98%	99%	96%	100%	
last 30 days did you carry a gun on	1 day	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	
school property?	2 or 3 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	
	6 or more days	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	
On how many of the	0 days	99%	98%	94%	95%	91%	100%	
last 30 days did you carry a weapon	1 day	1%	2%	0%	2%	2%	0%	
(other than a gun) on school property?	2 or 3 days	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	
conder property :	4 or 5 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	0%	
	6 or more days	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	0%	

#### **TABLE 25 SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE USE \*\* Houston County**

				Gra	nde		
		6t	:h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days ^	No	99%	99%	82%	83%	55%	69%
	Yes	1%	1%	18%	17%	45%	31%
Frequent use of any tobacco products during the past 30 days (used	No	100%	100%	96%	98%	77%	88%
tobacco on 20 or more of the past 30 days) ^	Yes	0%	0%	4%	3%	23%	12%
Frequent binge drinking in the past year (typically drank 5 or more drinks	No	100%	100%	96%	95%	65%	80%
at a time and drank on 10 or more occasions during the past year)	Yes	0%	0%	4%	5%	35%	20%
Any alcohol and/or other drug use during the past year (excluding tobacco)	No alcohol or other drug use in the past year	95%	89%	52%	56%	16%	25%
,	Used only alcohol in the past year	5%	10%	27%	29%	37%	40%
	Used only marijuana/other drugs in the past year	0%	0%	3%	0%	1%	1%
	Used both alcohol and marijuana/other drugs in the past year	0%	1%	18%	15%	46%	34%

<sup>\*\*</sup> These are all computed variables based on combinations of responses to two or more survey items. ^ New computed variables in 2007.

# TABLE 26 CIGARETTE USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE Houston County

				Gra	ide		
		61	:h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many	0 days	100%	99%	87%	84%	64%	69%
days did you smoke	1 or 2 days	0%	1%	4%	8%	6%	9%
a cigarette?	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	3%	1%	5%	2%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	2%	2%	2%	5%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	3%	4%	2%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	7%	1%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	1%	2%	12%	11%
During the last 30	Never	100%	100%	86%	84%	67%	73%
days, how frequently have you smoked cigarettes?	Less than one cigarette per day	0%	0%	9%	13%	14%	14%
_	One to five cigarettes per day	0%	0%	4%	1%	11%	7%
	About one-half pack per day	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%	6%
	About one pack per day	0%	0%	1%	1%	4%	0%
How old were you the first time you	I have never smoked part or all of a cigarette	96%	92%	64%	73%	39%	45%
smoked part or all of a cigarette? ^	10 years old or younger	3%	5%	8%	3%	7%	7%
	11 years old	1%	2%	4%	3%	4%	2%
	12 years old	0%	0%	7%	4%	2%	8%
	13 years old	0%	0%	8%	9%	2%	3%
	14 years old	0%	0%	8%	6%	7%	7%
	15 years old	0%	0%	1%	3%	14%	14%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	11%	7%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	13%	8%

<sup>^</sup> New question in 2007.

## TABLE 27 CIGAR AND SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE ^ Houston County

				Gra	ıde		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many	0 days	100%	100%	96%	98%	81%	100%
days did you use	1 or 2 days	0%	0%	2%	2%	8%	0%
chewing tobacco, snuff or dip?	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
During the last 30 days, on how many	0 days	99%	100%	91%	97%	80%	97%
days did you	1 or 2 days	1%	0%	5%	3%	13%	2%
smoke cigars, cigarillos or little	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	4%	1%
cigars?	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
How old were you the first time you smoked a cigar or used chewing	I have never smoked a cigar or used chewing tobacco	97%	99%	75%	93%	37%	73%
tobacco?	10 years old or younger	1%	1%	4%	2%	1%	0%
	11 years old	1%	0%	3%	0%	1%	0%
	12 years old	0%	0%	2%	0%	5%	0%
	13 years old	0%	0%	4%	2%	1%	0%
	14 years old	0%	0%	9%	3%	11%	4%
	15 years old	0%	0%	3%	1%	11%	4%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	7%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	18%	12%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

#### **TABLE 28 ACCESS TO TOBACCO \***

			Gra	de		
INOLUDES ONLY THO	CE WUO HOED	9t	h	12th		
INCLUDES ONLY THO TOBACCO IN THE LAS		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	6%	19%	66%	50%	
	Bought it at bars or restaurants	0%	0%	3%	7%	
	Bought it at grocery, discount, or drug stores	0%	0%	13%	4%	
	Got it from friends	50%	62%	53%	50%	
	Got it from my parents ^	6%	19%	3%	7%	
	Got it from other family members ^	11%	5%	3%	4%	
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	22%	38%	18%	11%	
	Took it from my home	17%	19%	0%	4%	
	Took it from stores	0%	0%	8%	0%	

			Grade					
INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT TOBACCO IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		9t	h	12th				
		Male	Female	Male	Female			
	TOBAGGO IN THE EAST 30 DATS		%	%	%			
If you bought tobacco in the last 30 days, did	No							
you use a fake ID?		100%	100%	100%	100%			

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions. ^ New reponse option in 2007.

# TABLE 29 ALCOHOL USE FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY Houston County

				Gra	de		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, on how	0	95%	91%	56%	59%	17%	28%
many occasions (if any) have you had alcoholic beverages	1-2	3%	8%	14%	15%	6%	10%
	3-5	0%	0%	14%	6%	14%	11%
to drink?	6-9	3%	0%	7%	7%	16%	10%
	10-19	0%	0%	6%	7%	17%	16%
	20-39	0%	0%	2%	3%	11%	11%
	40+	0%	1%	1%	3%	19%	13%
During the last 30 days, on how many	0 days	96%	98%	71%	75%	35%	48%
days did you drink	1 or 2 days	3%	2%	18%	17%	22%	22%
one or more drinks of an alcoholic	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	6%	3%	19%	7%
beverage?	6 to 9 days	1%	0%	2%	3%	16%	15%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	7%	7%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
If you drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor,	I don't drink beer/wine/wine coolers/hard liquor	95%	93%	59%	59%	19%	29%
generally, how much (if any) do you	1 glass, can, or drink	4%	7%	13%	18%	2%	12%
drink at one time?	2 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	9%	8%	5%	8%
	3 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	3%	7%	6%	10%
	4 glasses, cans, or drinks	1%	0%	4%	3%	18%	10%
	5 glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	2%	1%	8%	5%
	6 or more glasses, cans, or drinks	0%	0%	10%	4%	41%	26%
Over the last 2	Never			86%	85%	51%	71%
weeks, how many times (if any) have	Once			9%	7%	17%	9%
you had five or more drinks in a row? *	Twice			2%	4%	11%	7%
	3 - 5 times			3%	3%	16%	9%
	6 or more times			0%	1%	6%	3%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask this question.

# TABLE 30 AGE OF FIRST ALCOHOL USE ^ Houston County

				Gra	ıde		
		6t	h	9t	h	12	th
		Male	Female	Male	Male Female		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	84%	86%	42%	46%	18%	18%
	10 years old or younger	11%	13%	9%	7%	5%	2%
	11 years old	5%	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%
	12 years old	0%	0%	11%	11%	5%	3%
	13 years old	0%	0%	18%	14%	6%	13%
	14 years old	0%	0%	11%	18%	12%	15%
	15 years old	0%	0%	4%	2%	23%	19%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	22%	11%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	15%

<sup>^</sup> New question in 2007.

#### TABLE 31 ACCESS TO ALCOHOL \*

			Gra	de	
	10.11050	9t	h	12t	h
INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WI ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 L		Male	Female	Male	Female
7.20011021111112210100		%	%	%	%
If you used alcohol, how did you get it in the last 30	Bought it at gas stations or convenience stores ^	3%	0%	6%	2%
days? (Mark all that apply)	Bought it at bars or restaurants	0%	0%	4%	0%
	Bought it at stores	0%	3%	9%	2%
	Bought it on the Internet	0%	0%	4%	0%
	Got it from friends	41%	59%	67%	64%
	Got it from my parents ^	10%	17%	13%	18%
	Got it from other family members ^	14%	14%	7%	13%
	Got it by getting someone else to buy for me	10%	21%	43%	53%
	Got it at parties	21%	38%	35%	49%
	Took it from my home	24%	38%	17%	9%
	Took it from a friend's home	3%	10%	6%	4%
	Took it from stores	0%	0%	9%	0%

		Grade					
INCLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO BOUGHT ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 30 DAYS		9t	h	12th			
		Male	Female	Male	Female		
/	ALGORIGE IN THE EAST 30 DATS		%	%	%		
If you bought alcohol in the last 30 days, did	Yes	0%	0%	3%	5%		
you use a fake ID?	No	100%	100%	97%	95%		

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Percentages are comparable to the 2001 and 2004 survey results. Percentages are based on all recent alcohol users, even if they skipped this question.

<sup>^</sup> New response option in 2007.

#### TABLE 32 DRINKING AND DRIVING \*

			Grad	de	
		9t	h	12t	h
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, how many times have you driven	0 times or no use	93%	96%	58%	62%
	Once	6%	1%	7%	10%
a motor vehicle after using alcohol or other	Twice	0%	2%	6%	6%
drugs?	3 or more times	1%	1%	29%	22%
Do you ever ride with friends after they have	No	71%	67%	38%	48%
been using alcohol or	Yes, but rarely	15%	19%	39%	36%
drugs?	Yes, often	6%	8%	21%	13%
	None of my friends use alcohol or other drugs	9%	7%	1%	2%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.

### TABLE 33 MARIJUANA AND OTHER DRUG USE AND AGE OF FIRST USE ^ Houston County

				Gra	de		
		6tl	h	9th	ı	121	:h
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 30 days, on how many	0 days	100%	100%	87%	91%	70%	84%
days did you use	1 or 2 days	0%	0%	5%	7%	11%	7%
marijuana or hashish?	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	5%	2%
	6 to 9 days	0%	0%	3%	0%	4%	3%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	2%	1%	4%	1%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	1%	4%	2%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%
How old were you when you tried	I have never tried marijuana	97%	99%	78%	86%	47%	58%
marijuana for the first	10 years old or	31 70	3370	7070	0070	47 70	30 70
time?	younger	2%	0%	3%	0%	1%	0%
	11 years old	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	12 years old	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
	13 years old	0%	0%	4%	5%	1%	3%
	14 years old	0%	0%	12%	6%	7%	2%
	15 years old	0%	0%	1%	2%	10%	18%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	17%	14%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	14%	5%
During the last 30	0 days	99%	100%	96%	97%	85%	94%
days, on how many days did you use any	1 or 2 days	0%	0%	3%	2%	11%	2%
of these "other	3 to 5 days	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%
drugs"?	6 to 9 days	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
	10 to 19 days	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
	20 to 29 days	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	All 30 days	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
How old were you when you tried any of	I have never tried "other drugs"	97%	99%	94%	95%	80%	83%
these "other drugs"	10 years old or	0170	3370	3470	3070	3070	0070
for the first time?	younger	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	1%
	11 years old	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	12 years old	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	13 years old	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%
	14 years old	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	4%
	15 years old	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	16 years old	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	8%
	17 years old or older	0%	0%	0%	0%	14%	2%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

#### **TABLE 34** MARIJUANA, INHALANTS, HALLUCINOGENS AND HEROIN ^ **Houston County**

				Gra	de		
Devices the least 40 month	t	6t	h	9tl	h	12th	
(if any) have you	s, on how many occasions	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
(** *****) ****************************		%	%	%	%	%	%
used marijuana (bud,	0	100%	100%	81%	86%	56%	69%
weed, pot) or hashish (hash, hash oil)?	1-2	0%	0%	5%	3%	10%	8%
	3-5	0%	0%	4%	6%	4%	7%
	6-9	0%	0%	5%	0%	1%	4%
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	3%	11%	8%
	20-39	0%	0%	1%	1%	5%	1%
	40+	0%	0%	4%	2%	13%	3%
sniffed glue, or	0	100%	99%	96%	97%	99%	99%
breathed the contents of aerosol spray cans,	1-2	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
or inhaled any other gases or sprays in	3-5	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
order to get high?	10-19	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	20-39	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
used LSD ("acid"), PCP (wet sticks or	0			99%	97%	93%	95%
dipped joints), or other	1-2			0%	2%	6%	4%
psychedelics (like mescaline,	3-5			0%	0%	0%	1%
mushrooms, peyote)? *	6-9			0%	1%	0%	0%
	10-19			0%	0%	1%	0%
	20-39			1%	0%	0%	0%
used heroin? *	0			99%	99%	100%	100%
	3-5			0%	1%	0%	0%
	6-9			1%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.
^ Variations in wording for these items may affect year-to-year comparisons.

# TABLE 35 METHAMPHETAMINE, COCAINE AND ECSTASY \*^ Houston County

			Grade						
During the last 12 mg	•	9t	h	12th					
how many occasions (if any) have you		Male Female		Male	Female				
		%	%	12	%				
used	0	98%	99%	99%	99%				
methamphetamine (meth, glass, crank,	1-2	1%	0%	0%	0%				
crystal meth, ice) by any method?	3-5	0%	1%	1%	1%				
	10-19	1%	0%	0%	0%				
used "crack"	0	99%	99%	88%	95%				
(cocaine in chunk or rock form), or	1-2	0%	0%	9%	1%				
cocaine in any other form?	3-5	0%	0%	1%	0%				
	6-9	1%	0%	0%	0%				
	10-19	0%	1%	1%	1%				
	20-39	0%	0%	1%	1%				
	40+	0%	0%	0%	1%				
used MDMA (E,	0	99%	98%	98%	95%				
X, "ecstasy"), GHB (G, Liquid E, Liquid	1-2	0%	1%	2%	2%				
X) or Ketamine ("Special K")?	3-5	0%	0%	0%	1%				
	6-9	0%	1%	0%	0%				
	10-19	1%	0%	0%	0%				
	20-39	0%	0%	0%	1%				

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.

<sup>^</sup> Variations in wording for these items may affect year-to-year comparisons.

#### **TABLE 36A** PRESCRIPTION DRUGS \*^

		Grade						
Devices the least 42 months are her		9ti	h	12th	ı			
During the last 12 months, on ho many occasions (if any) have you		Male	Female	Male	Female			
,		%	%	%	%			
used stimulants like Benzedrine or diet pills that	0	98%	97%	99%	94%			
were not prescribed for you by	1-2	0%	3%	0%	2%			
a doctor, or that you took only to get high?	3-5	1%	0%	1%	1%			
	6-9	1%	1%	0%	1%			
	10-19	0%	0%	0%	1%			
used your own or someone	0	96%	97%	94%	98%			
Ise's ADHD or ADD drugs like titalin (hyper pills) to get high?	1-2	2%	2%	1%	2%			
	3-5	0%	0%	97%     99%       3%     0%       0%     1%       1%     0%       0%     0%       97%     94%       2%     1%	0%			
	6-9	2%	1%	1%	0%			
	10-19	0%	1%	0%	0%			
		0%	0%	1%	0%			
used OxyContin, Percocet, Percodan, Vicodin or other pain	0	97%	99%	89%	94%			
relievers that were not prescribed for you by a doctor,	1-2	1%	0%	2%	2%			
or that you took only to get high?	3-5	0%	0%	2%	1%			
mgn:	6-9	2%	0%	2%	2%			
	10-19	0%	0%	2%	0%			
	20-39	0%	1%	0%	0%			
	40+	0%	0%	1%	0%			
used tranquilizers (Valium, Xanax, nerve pills) or sedatives	0	98%	97%	96%	98%			
or barbituates that were not prescribed for you by a doctor,	1-2	0%	2%	1%	2%			
or that you took only to get high?	6-9	2%	0%	0%	0%			
mgn:	10-19	0%	0%	2%	0%			
	40+	0%	1%	0%	0%			

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  6th grade survey did not ask these questions.  $^{\wedge}$  New questions in 2007.

#### **TABLE 36B** PRESCRIPTION DRUGS \*^

		Gi	ade
During the last 12 months, on how	(	6th	
many occasions (if any) have you		Male	Female
, , ,		%	%
used any prescription drugs that were not prescribed for you by a doctor, or	0	100%	99%
that you took only to get high?	1-2	0%	1%

<sup>\* 9</sup>th-12th grade survey did not ask this question. ^ Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.

#### TABLE 37 SUBSTANCE USE PATTERNS

		Grade						
-		6t	h	9t	h	12th		
other drugs	ise alcohol or	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
ou.o. u.ugo	•	%	%	%	%	%	%	
before school?	Yes	0%	1%	5%	11%	20%	13%	
SCHOOL:	No	100%	99%	95%	89%	80%	87%	
during school?	Yes	0%	0%	1%	2%	9%	6%	
SCHOOL?	No	100%	100%	99%	98%	91%	94%	
right after	Yes	0%	0%	14%	14%	29%	22%	
school?	No	100%	100%	86%	86%	71%	78%	

#### TABLE 38 SOCIAL DISAPPROVAL OF SUBSTANCE USE ^

					Gra	ıde		
			6t	:h	9t	h	12	th
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
			%	%	%	%	%	%
During the last 12 months, have you talked with at least one of your parents	Yes		62%	62%	41%	46%	44%	45%
(or guardians) about the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, or drug use?	No		38%	38%	59%	54%	56%	55%
How do you think your close friends	smoked one or more packs of	They would approve	3%	1%	2%	7%	6%	1%
would feel if you	cigarettes per day?	They would not care at all	4% 0% 23% 9%	28%	21%			
		They would disapprove	1%	8%	29%	18%	34%	27%
		They would strongly disapprove	92%	91%	45%	66%	33%	51%
	have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a	They would approve	1%	0%	7%	9%	16%	7%
		They would not care at all	5%	1%	29%	16%	49%	46%
	week?	They would disapprove	8%	11%	26%	22%	15%	20%
		They would strongly disapprove	86%	88%	37%	53%	20%	27%
	smoked marijuana once or	They would approve	1%	0%	11%	9%	19%	4%
	twice a week?	They would not care at all	4%	1%	18%	10%	23%	24%
		They would disapprove	4%	7%	21%	14%	20%	25%
		They would strongly disapprove	91%	92%	49%	67%	38%	47%
	used other drugs once or twice	They would approve	3%	0%	4%	6%	7%	0%
	a week?	They would not care at all	3%	0%	15%	4%	12%	15%
		They would disapprove	3%	8%	20%	14%	22%	16%
		They would strongly disapprove	92%	92%	61%	76%	58%	70%

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

### TABLE 39 PERCEIVED RISK OF HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE ^ Houston County

				Grade					
			6t	h	9t	h	12th		
			Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
			%	%	%	%	%	%	
How much do you think people	smoke one or more packs of	No risk	4%	3%	6%	3%	9%	1%	
risk harming	cigarettes per	Slight risk	10%	3%	9%	7%	13%	7%	
themselves physically or in	day?	Moderate risk	31%	21%	20%	15%	24%	13%	
other ways if they		Great risk	55%	72%	65%	75%	54%	79%	
	have five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week?	No risk	1%	2%	9%	4%	9%	2%	
		Slight risk	14%	13%	21%	12%	34%	24%	
		Moderate risk	31%	33%	31%	27%	33%	30%	
		Great risk	54%	52%	39%	57%	24%	44%	
	smoke marijuana once or twice a week?	No risk	0%	1%	13%	8%	22%	7%	
		Slight risk	11%	8%	18%	8%	25%	20%	
		Moderate risk	18%	18%	22%	16%	18%	20%	
		Great risk	72%	72%	48%	68%	35%	53%	

<sup>^</sup> New questions in 2007.

#### **TABLE 40A CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE \***

			Grad		_
		9th		12th	
During the last 12 months		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
have you found that you had to use a lot more alcohol or other drugs than before to	No or no use	94%	91%	79%	87%
get the same effect?	Yes	6%	9%	21%	13%
have you tried to cut down on your use of alcohol or other drugs but couldn't?	No or no use	96%	94%	96%	95%
omer drugs but couldn't?	Yes	4%	6%	4%	5%
have you continued to use alcohol or other drugs even	No or no use	95%	94%	90%	85%
though you knew it was hurting your relationships with friends or family? ^	Yes	5%	6%	10%	15%
how many times have you spent all or most of the day using alcohol or other drugs,	0 times or no use	86%	84%	62%	64%
or getting over their effects?	Once	6%	10%	9%	10%
	Twice	2%	2%	12%	9%
	3 or more times	6%	5%	17%	17%
how many times have you given up important social or recreational activities like	0 times or no use	96%	90%	77%	77%
sports or being with friends or relatives in order to use	Once	2%	7%	7%	9%
alcohol or other drugs or to get over their effects? ^	Twice	1%	0%	3%	5%
	3 or more times	0%	3%	13%	10%
how many times has alcohol or other drug use left	0 times or no use	88%	88%	78%	75%
you feeling depressed, agitated, paranoid, or unable to concentrate?	Once	6%	4%	6%	10%
	Twice	1%	4%	1%	5%
	3 or more times	5%	5%	14%	10%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions. ^ Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.

#### **TABLE 40B CONSEQUENCES OF SUBSTANCE USE \***

			Grad	de		
		9th		12th		
During the last 12 months		Male	Female	Male	Female	
During the last 12 mentils m		%	%	%	%	
how many times have you	0 times or no use	95%	94%	83%	80%	
missed work or school, or neglected other major	Once	4%	2%	4%	10%	
responsibilities because of alcohol or other drug use? ^	Twice	1%	1%	6%	4%	
	3 or more times	0%	3%	7%	6%	
how many times has alcohol	0 times or no use	99%	97%	78%	86%	
or other drug use caused you problems with the law?	Once	0%	2%	10%	9%	
	Twice	1%	0%	7%	2%	
	3 or more times	0%	1%	4%	2%	
how many times have you	0 times or no use	96%	98%	78%	91%	
hit someone or become violent while using alcohol or other	Once	2%	0%	12%	2%	
drugs?	Twice	0%	1%	1%	4%	
	3 or more times	1%	1%	Male % 83% 4% 6% 7% 78% 10% 4% 4% 12%	2%	
how many times have you	0 times or no use	89%	85%	49%	57%	
used so much alcohol or other drugs that later you could not	Once	4%	9%	17%	20%	
remember what you had said or done?	Twice	5%	2%	7%	9%	
	3 or more times	2%	5%	Male         %         83%         4%         6%         78%         10%         7%         4%         78%         12%         9%         49%         17%         7%         26%         55%         12%         9%	15%	
how many times have you used more alcohol or other	0 times or no use	88%	83%	55%	56%	
drugs than you intended to?	Once	8%	11%	12%	22%	
	Twice	0%	4%	9%	10%	
	3 or more times	4%	3%	25%	12%	

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.
^ Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.

#### **TABLE 41A SEXUAL BEHAVIOR \***

		Grade				
		9t	h	12t	h	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
		%	%	%	%	
Have you ever had sexual intercourse	No	83%	87%	46%	48%	
("had sex")? ^	Yes, once or twice	12%	8%	10%	11%	
	Yes, 3 times or more	5%	5%	44%	41%	
During the last 12 months, with how many different male	None	97%	88%	93%	51%	
	1 person	2%	8%	5%	28%	
partners have you had sexual intercourse?	2 persons	0%	1%	Male           %           46%           46         10%           44%         93%           56         1%           66         1%           66         0%           66         0%           66         26%           66         10%           66         7%           66         2%           66         1%           66         5%           96%	10%	
_	3 persons	0%	0%	1%	3%	
	4 persons	0%	3%	0%	2%	
	5 persons	1%	0%	0%	3%	
	6 or more persons	0%	0%	0%	1%	
During the last 12 months, with how	None	85%	98%	48%	98%	
many different female	1 person	6%	1%	26%	2%	
partners have you had sexual intercourse?	2 persons	5%	1%	10%	0%	
	3 persons	1%	0%	7%	0%	
	4 persons	0%	0%	2%	0%	
	5 persons	0%	0%	1%	0%	
	6 or more persons	3%	0%	5%	0%	
How many times have	0 times	100%	99%	96%	98%	
you been pregnant or gotten someone	1 time	0%	0%	3%	2%	
pregnant?	Not sure	0%	1%	1%	0%	

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.
^ Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.

#### **TABLE 41B SEXUAL BEHAVIOR \***

			Gra	de		
		9tl	h	12th		
INCLUDES ONLY THOSE V SEXUAL INTERCOURSE	VHO HAVE EVER HAD	Male	Female	Male	Female	
SEXUAL INTERCOURSE		%	%	%	%	
Have you talked with your partner(s) about	Never	59%	60%	36%	36%	
protecting yourselves from getting STDs/HIV/AIDS? **	Not with every partner	12%	7%	19%	16%	
0153/1117/AI50.	At least once with every partner	29%	33%	45%	49%	
Have you talked with partner(s) about	Never	53%	53%	23%	18%	
preventing pregnancy? **	Not with every partner	6%	7%	16%	11%	
	At least once with every partner	41%	40%	60%	71%	
If you have sexual intercourse, how often do	Never	36%	36%	10%	5%	
you and/or your partner use any birth control method?	Rarely	7%	7%	7%	0%	
memou:	Sometimes	7%	0%	2%	2%	
	Usually	0%	7%	17%	12%	
	Always	50%	50%	64%	80%	
If you have sexual intercourse, how often is	Never	14%	33%	12%	9%	
a condom used?	Rarely	0%	0%	9%	7%	
	Sometimes	7%	0%	5%	19%	
	Usually	7%	7%	37%	19%	
	Always	71%	60%	37%	47%	
The last time you had sexual intercourse, did	Yes	71%	67%	60%	70%	
you or your partner use a condom?	No	29%	33%	40%	30%	

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.
\*\* The results for these questions are comparable to the 2001 and 2004 survey results.

#### **TABLE 42 REASONS FOR SEXUAL ABSTINENCE \***

			Grad	de	
		9t	h	12t	h
		Male	Female	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%
If you do not have sexual intercourse, what factors	One or both of my parents would object	35%	63%	26%	52%
influence your choice not to? (Mark all that apply)	I don't want to have sex	8%	70%	14%	50%
(магк ан шас арргу)	Most students in my school don't have sex	10%	8%	7%	2%
	My friends don't have sex	19%	35%	12%	10%
	I don't think it's right for a person my age to have sex	35%	75%	14%	50%
	I'm afraid of getting caught	22%	21%	19%	19%
	My religious or spiritual beliefs	15%	29%	19%	38%
	Sex education at school has shown me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	12%	32%	10%	26%
	I don't want to get a sexually transmitted disease	36%	60%	43%	45%
	Fear of pregnancy ^	35%	68%	45%	64%
	My parents have taught me the advantages of waiting until I'm older	9%	30%	12%	26%
	I have chosen to wait until I'm married	18%	39%	12%	43%
	Other reason(s) ^^	46%	24%	57%	33%

<sup>\* 6</sup>th grade survey did not ask these questions.
^ Variations in wording for this item may affect year-to-year comparisons.
^ New response option in 2007.