



SDFSC Advisory Committee
State Education Perspective

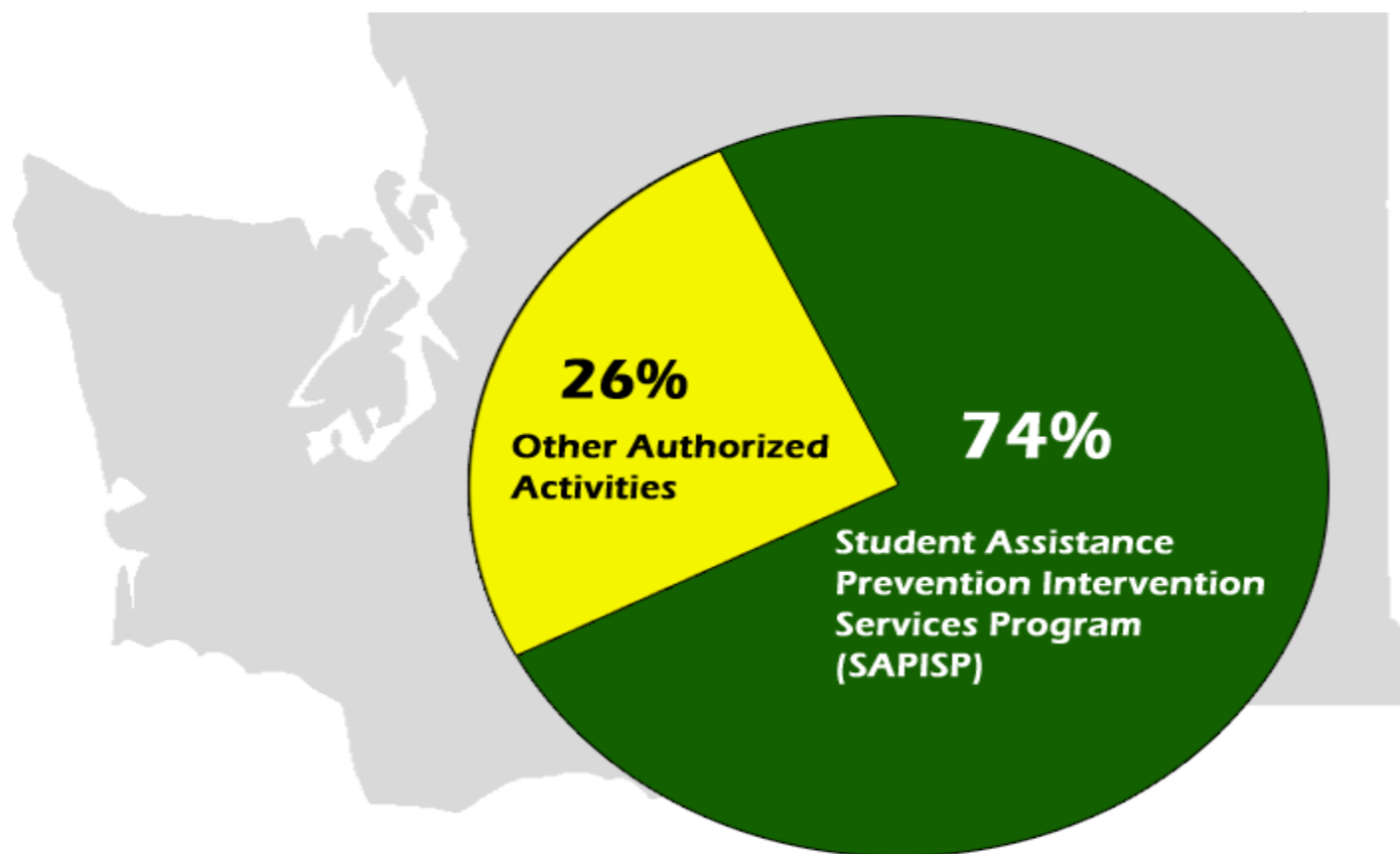
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Strengths of SDFSCA State Grants Program

- Only program available to LEA's in every state providing backbone necessary to address youth substance abuse and violence
- Administered through SEA's to LEA's mandating comprehensive prevention planning and use of science-based programs
- Ensures that LEA's have a district contact responsible for addressing the impact of alcohol, other drugs and violence on the school learning environment
- Often the foundation of effective prevention planning built by LEA's and in turn used to leverage other national, state and local resources



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- Authorized Activities Provided by LEA's:
 - Project Alert
 - Olweus Bullying Prevention
 - Strengthening Families
 - Steps to Respect
 - Life Skills Training
 - Second Step
 - Project Northland
 - Reconnecting Youth
 - Project SUCCESS

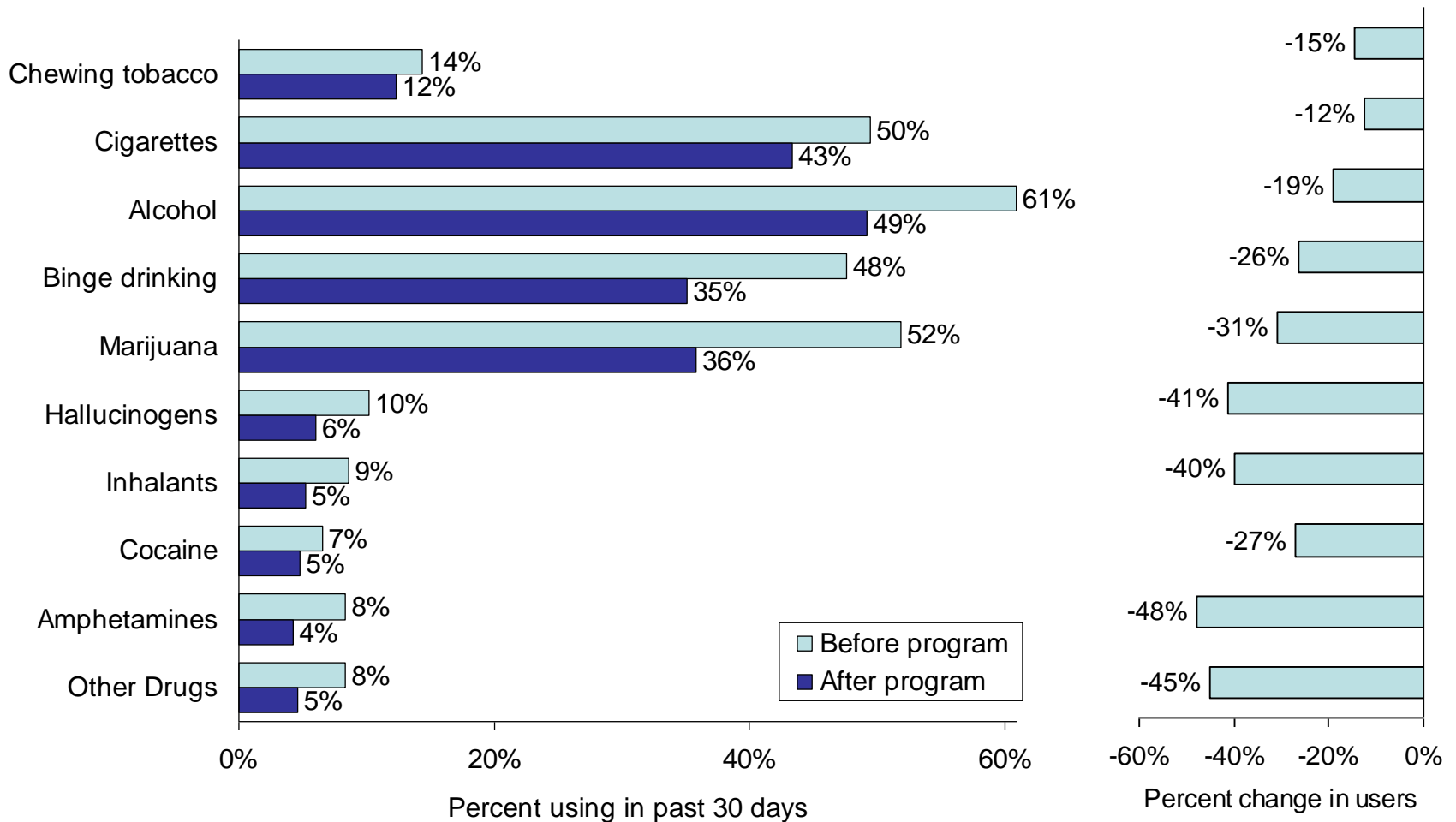


2005-06 Washington State SAPISP

- Mission: Provide a comprehensive model of student assistance program prevention, intervention, and support services to assist students in achieving academic excellence and realizing their personal potential.
- Goals: Services Provided 10% of youth participants will show a reduction in tobacco, alcohol, and marijuana use.
 - 10% of youth participants will show an increase in understanding of perceived risk toward substance abuse.
 - 10% of youth participants will show an increase in school bonding
- Documented Services:
 - 12,708 universal prevention awareness activities
 - 18,446 indicated student engagements (3 or more visits with Specialist)

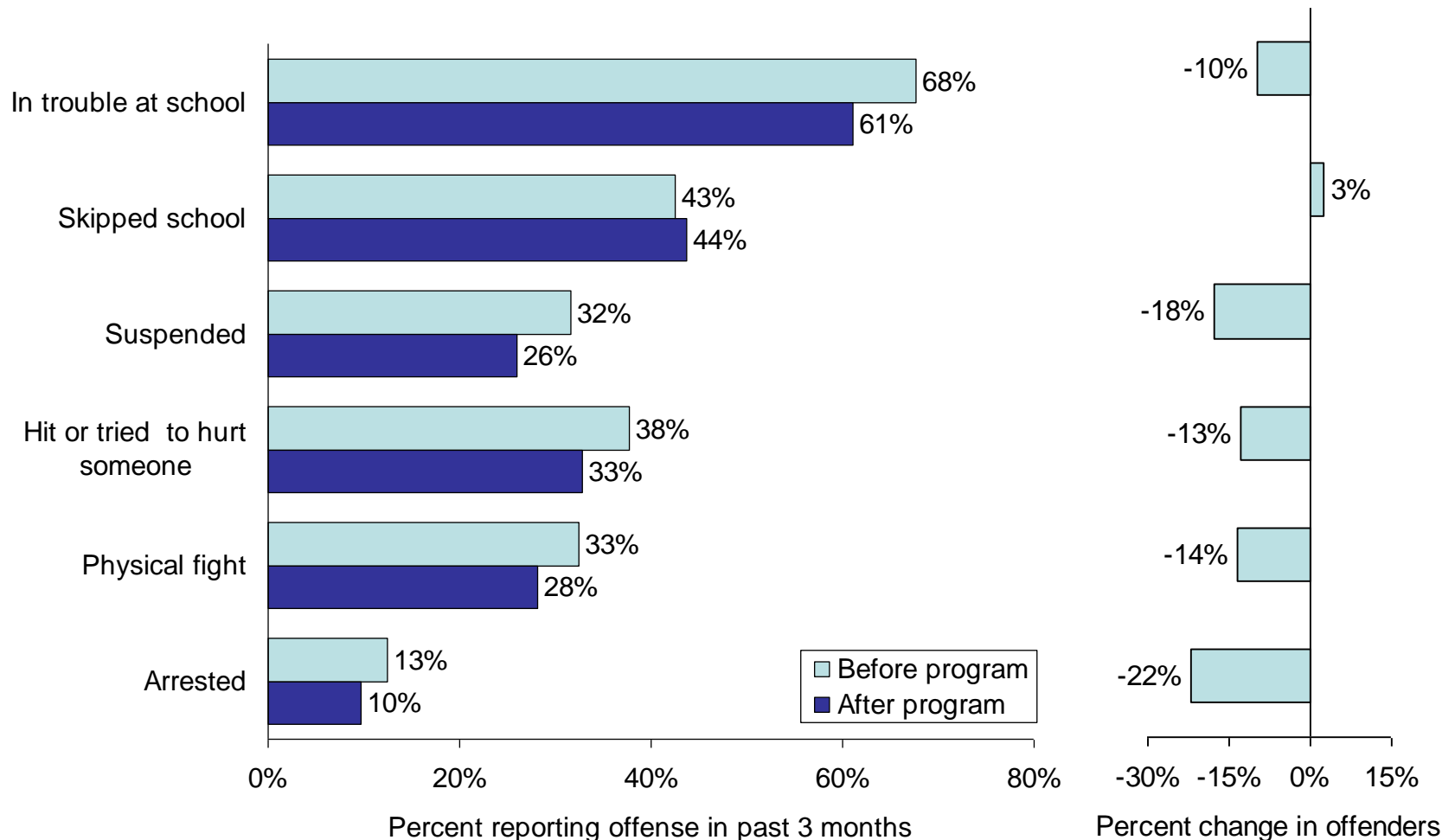


2005-06 Outcomes: Substance Use



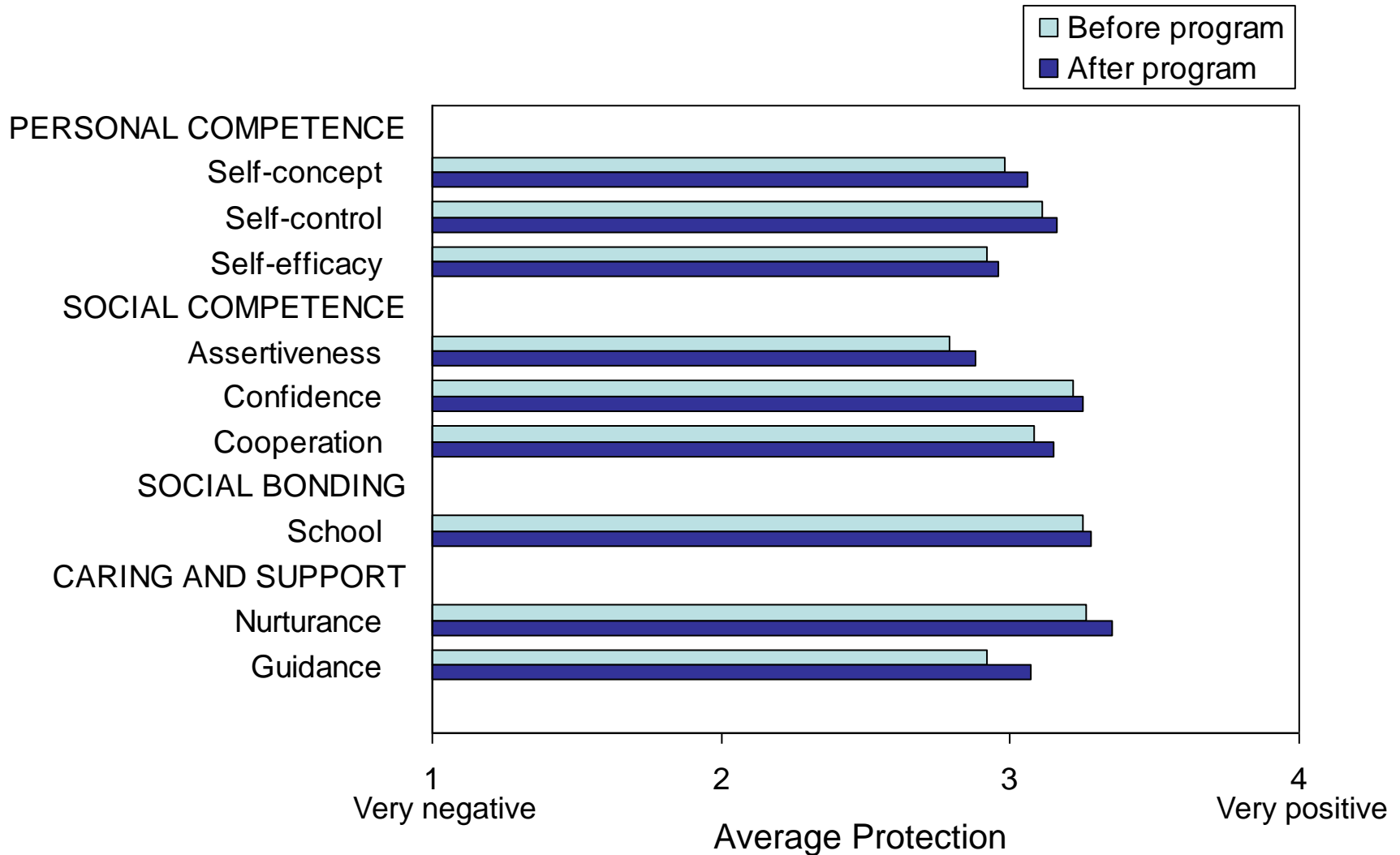
State ($n = 3,873$) Includes only students with a substance related intervention goal.

2005-06 Outcomes: School Behavior



State ($n = 3,356$) Includes only students with a behavior intervention goal.

2005-06 Outcomes: Protective Factors



State ($n = 6,694$) Includes all students with matched pre/post data.



2005-06 LEA Outcomes:

- **South Kitsap School District SAPISP**
- 10,400 Students
- \$48,874.00 SDFS funds
- Goals:
 - Reduction in alcohol, tobacco & marijuana use by students participating in program
 - Increase in school bonding for participating youth
- Outcomes:
 - 24% reduction in use, alcohol, tobacco and marijuana use
 - 11% increase in school bonding
 - Measured by participant pre and post tests
- **Queets Clear Water School District**
- 40 Students
- \$1,521.00 SDFS funds
- Goals:
 - Train 100% of staff in Second Step;
 - Measure decrease in problem behavior and increase in classroom learning
- Outcomes:
 - 100% of staff trained
 - 21% decrease in problem behavior
 - 15% increase in classroom learning
 - Measured by teacher survey and behavior tracking



Leadership Role of SEA

- Provide Technical Assistance
- Connect SDFSCA to larger mandates of NCLB
- Provide Professional Development
- Facilitate state and local prevention collaboration and capacity building
- Develop systematic comprehensive data collection and outcome measures
- Maintain accountability at local, state and federal levels



Current Challenges

- 37% reduction of SDFSCA funds in Washington State over last 10 years
 - Decreased resources but increased accountability
 - Communities resilient and being stretched dangerously thin
- Need coordinated leadership at federal level across prevention agencies
- Need to tie SDFSCA program to larger work in schools focusing on NCLB, supportive learning environments, and student achievement



Recommendations

- Increase funding and resources – Our schools are ready for more not less!
- Maintain emphasis on comprehensive prevention planning (POE's) and science-based programming
- Provide coordinated federal leadership, guidance and technical assistance
- Evaluate program in context of school improvement linking to NCLB and in turn providing support to disenfranchised youth

