



Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) Overview



Danvers High School Sample

→ **697** students

→ **89%** completion rate

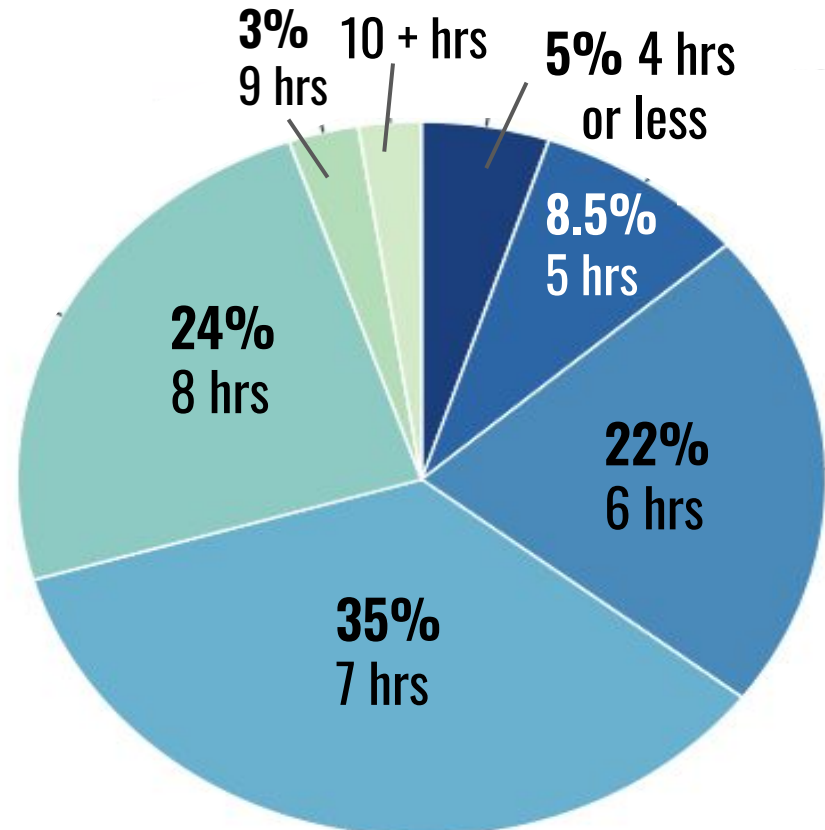
Areas of Focus

- Demographics
- Discrimination
- Safety
- Violent Experiences
- Bullying
- Mental Health
- Protective Factors
- Substance Use
- Sexual Behaviors
- Nutrition
- Physical Health
- Family support



Protective Factors

Sleep





Protective Factors

Food Insecurity

2%

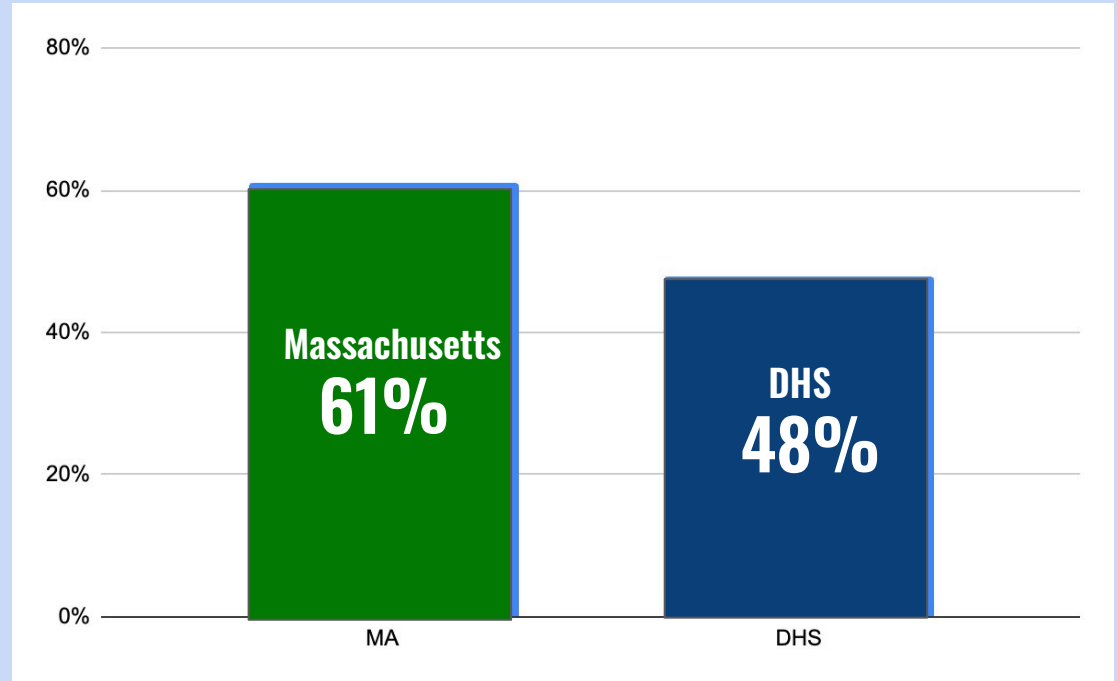
DHS Students





Protective Factors

School Connectedness





Protective Factors

Trusted Adult

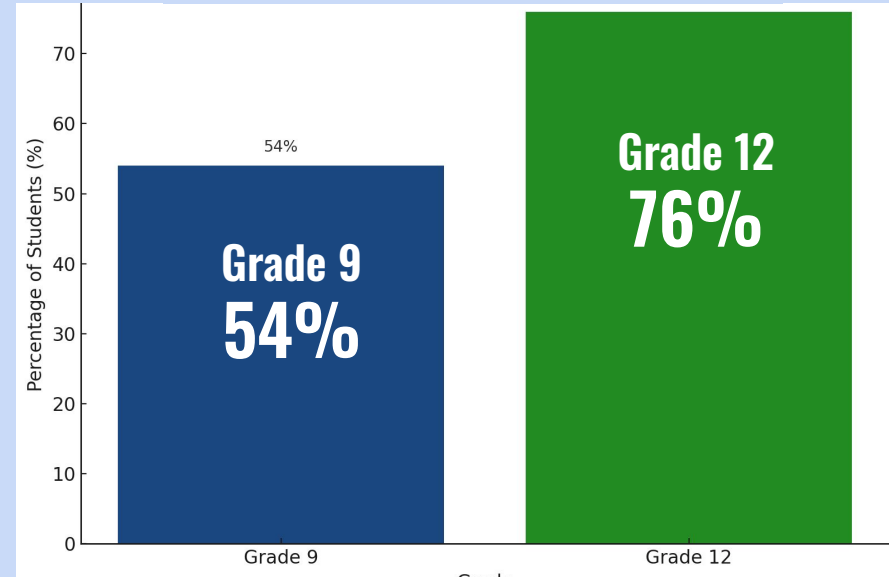
87% identified a **peer**

82% identified a **family member**

68% identified an **adult non-family member**

65% identified a **teacher**

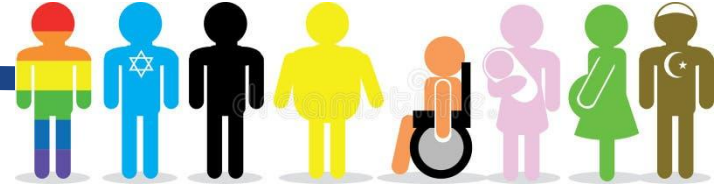
Trusted Adult at School





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Experienced Discrimination



8%

said yes, because
of their ***race or
ethnicity***

6%

said yes, because
of their ***gender
identity***

5%

said yes, because
of their ***sexual
orientation***

Bullying

At School



16%

Electronically



18%



Emotional Support

51%

**DHS students felt they
needed to talk to someone**





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Mental Health



STRESS

27%

felt overwhelmed by
stress most of the
time or always.

DEPRESSION

24%

have experienced
depression*

SELF HARM

16%

hurt or injured
themselves without
wanting to die



Mental Health - Suicidality

13%

Contemplated
suicide

4%

Attempted
suicide

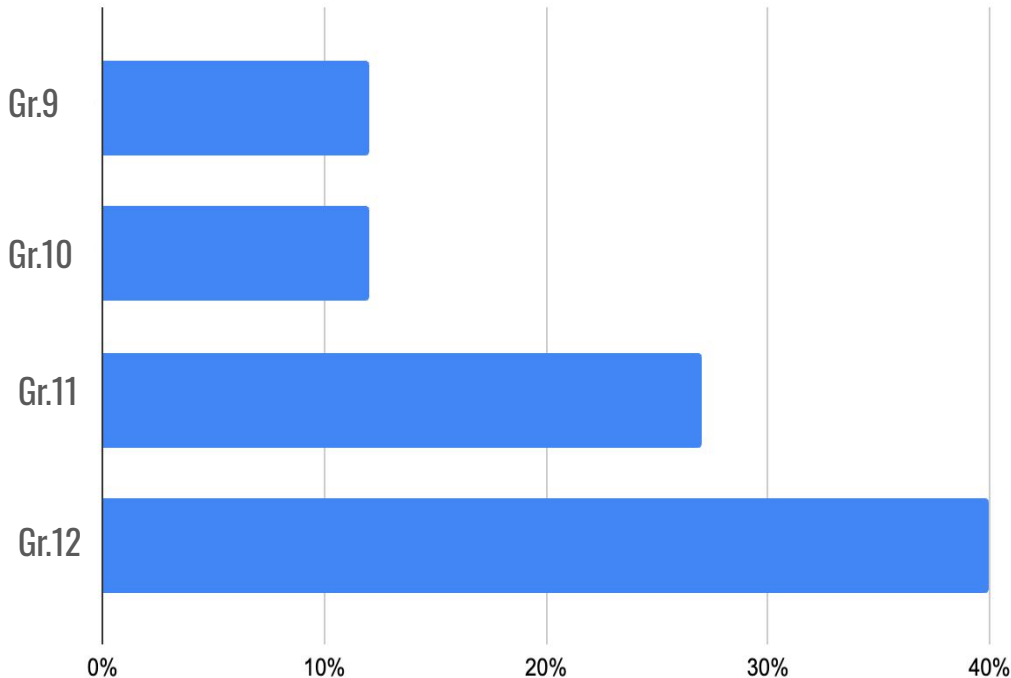


Sexual Behavior

22%

of DHS students have had **sexual intercourse**

Compared to **37%** MA state average ('19)



Dating Violence

DHS students reported that in the past year, someone they were dating...

SEXUAL

6%

forced them to do
sexual things they
did not want.

PHYSICAL

5%

physically
hurt them.

EMOTIONAL

15%

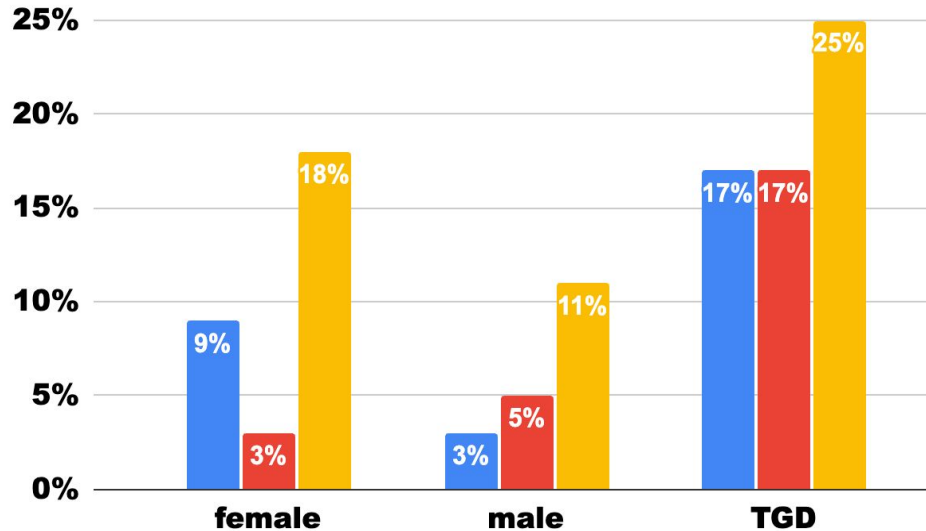
Tried to control,
or emotionally
hurt them.

Increased Risk for LGBTQ+ Students: Dating Violence



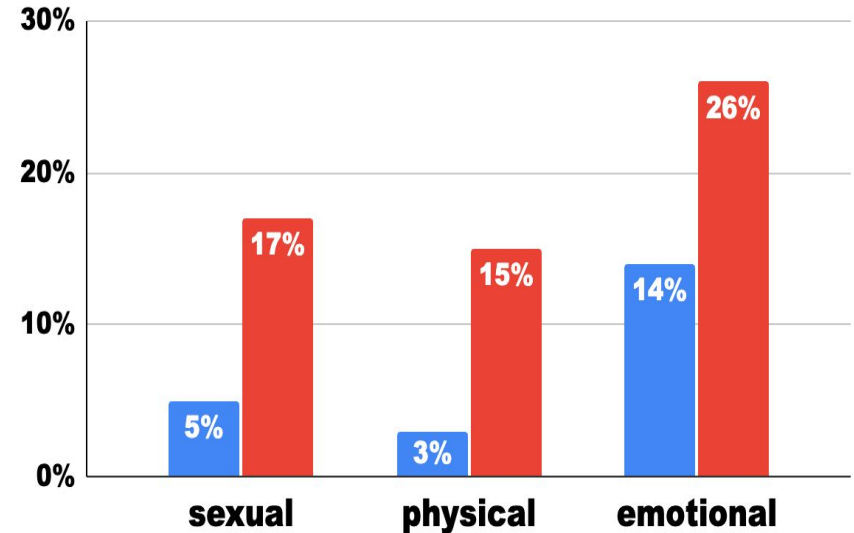
Dating Violence by Gender

■ sexual ■ physical ■ emotional



Dating Violence by Sexual Orientation

■ HS ■ LGBTQ+



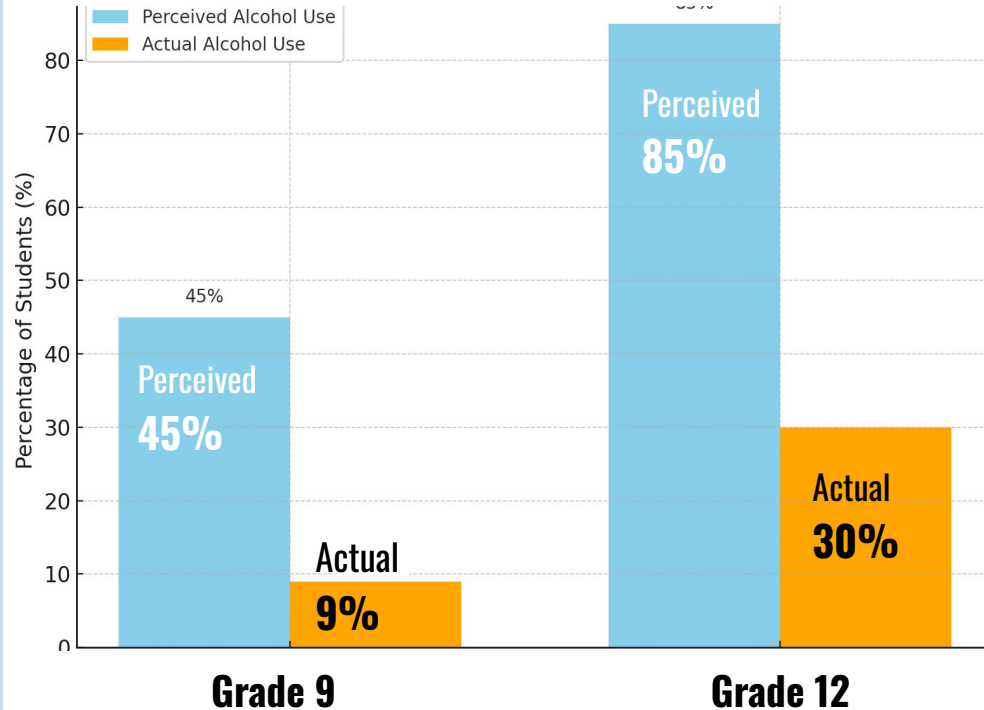
Alcohol Use



Lifetime Use:

↓ 9th Grade **19%**
12th Grade **55%** ↑

Why does perception matter?

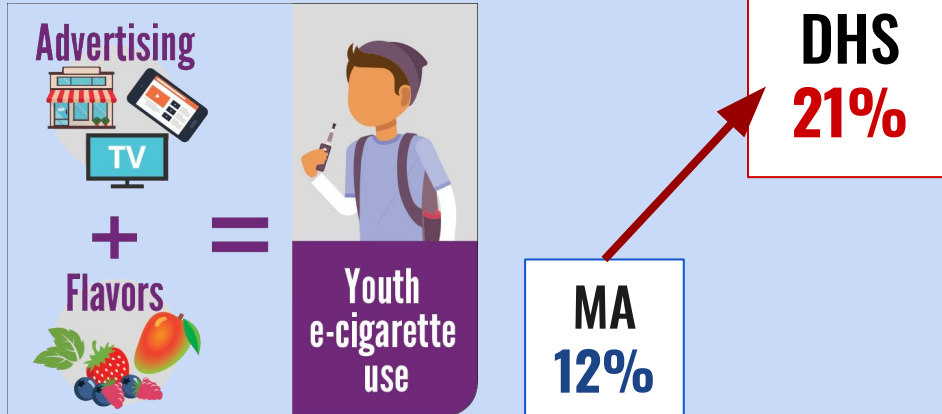


Electronic Vapor Product (EVP)

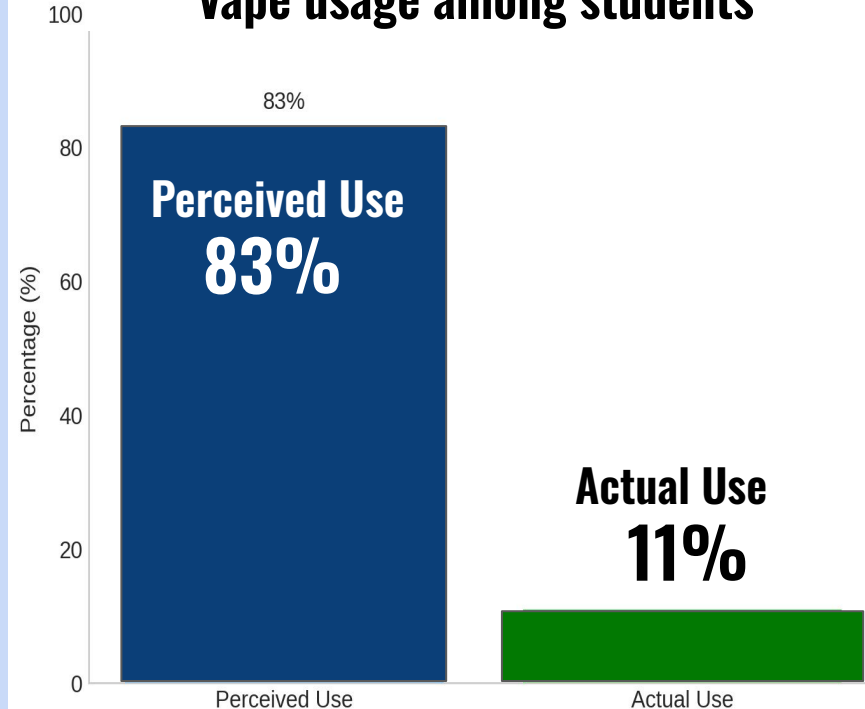


Lifetime Use

DHS students reported vaping at a **higher** rate when compared to MA state data



Perception vs. Reality Vape usage among students



Marijuana Use

Lifetime Use

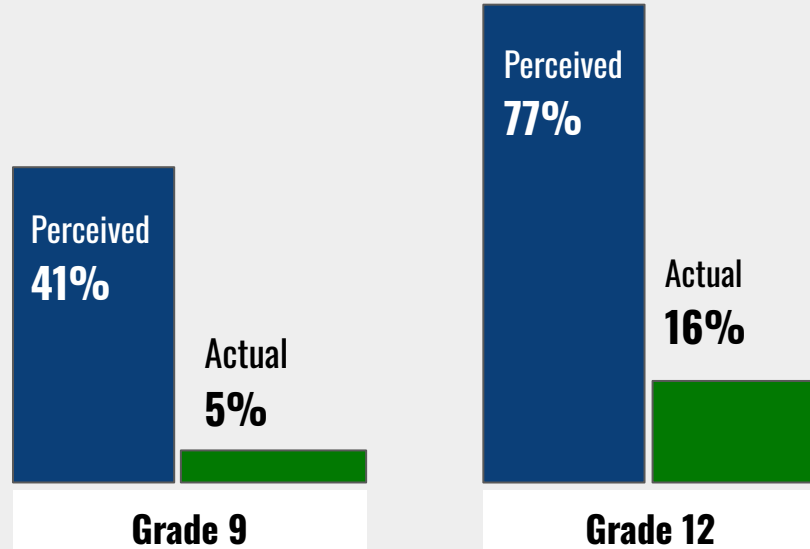
DHS students reported **lower** rates of marijuana use when compared to MA state data.

MA
30%

DHS
20%



Perceived vs. Actual Marijuana Use in past 30 days





Data Driven Decision Making

→ Programming at DHS, HRMS, and elementary schools



- ◆ In Depth - Nicotine Cessation Intervention
- ◆ Healthy Relationships Assembly for Domestic Violence Awareness Month



→ Future programming by DanversCARES

- ◆ Training opportunities in Youth MHFA
- ◆ Parent/Guardian Engagement Opportunities (Partnering with PACs)

