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## Knox County

 Middle School Youth Risk Behavior SurveyA joint effort of Knox County Health Department Knox County Schools

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The data available in this report can assist local government and other organizations in the planning and implementation of programs designed to improve the health of adolescents in Knox County.

The 2018 Knox County Middle School Youth Risk Behavior Survey (KC MS-YRBS) was administered in nine Knox County Schools (KCS) middle schools to monitor health-risk behaviors that have the potential to eventually contribute to premature death, disability and other health problems. The KC MS-YRBS was first administered in 2008, and repeated in 2010 and 2013 among $6^{\text {th }}$, $7^{\text {th }}$, and $8^{\text {th }}$ grade KCS middle school students. The data are used by KCS, local-area nonprofit agencies, and other organizations to better allocate their existing program resources, search for new funding streams, and direct their efforts to segments of middle schoolers which may be at greatest risk for health problems now and in the future.

The 2018 Knox County Middle School Youth Risk Behavior Survey used a 51-question (including demographics) survey instrument based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)developed MS-YRBS. Six of the 51 questions were developed by the Knox County Health Department (KCHD) in coordination with Metro Drug Coalition to provide more data on substance use patterns and attitudes in Knox County. The survey focused on the following health-related behaviors:

- Behaviors that contribute to unintentional injuries
- Behaviors that contribute to self-harm and violence
- Tobacco and electronic nicotine device use
- Alcohol and other drug use
- Weight control and diet
- Physical activity
- Additional health topics (limited to history of asthma and current sleep patterns)

Some of the findings in this report show a trend toward healthy behaviors as we see an increase in seatbelt use and a reduction in some of the more traditional forms of tobacco use (cigarettes, cigars, and smokeless tobacco products) when compared to previous KC MS-YRBS estimates.

Other findings in this report may be viewed as less positive. Six percent (6.4\%) of the students reported they have taken prescription pain medication without a doctor's orders or directions. One out of four respondents ( $25.6 \%$ ) considered themselves either slightly overweight or very overweight. Almost nine percent (8.9\%) of middle school students reported they used an electronic vapor product within the past 30 days (note: this is a new baseline for this population). Almost one-half (46.0\%) of middle school students reported three or more hours of daily video game play or using computers for non-academic purposes during the school week. Almost one out of five KCS middle school students (19.4\%) reported they have had a concussion from sports or physical activity during their lifetime. Perhaps most striking of all, $6.3 \%$ of KCS middle school students reported they have attempted suicide at some point in their lifetime.

The survey results are further broken down by gender (female or male), race-ethnicity (non-Hispanic white, non-Hispanic black, other race/ethnicity [including Hispanic of any race), grade in school ( $6^{\text {th }}$, $7^{\text {th }}$, or $8^{\text {th }}$ ) and estimated school grades (A's, B's, C's, D's, F's) during the past year to uncover possible disparities between these classification groups which will help local agencies better target programmatic efforts and interventions.

## Limitations

The sample for the 2018 KC MS-YRBS was limited to nine schools. Previous KCS MS-YRBS efforts included all schools in the sample. Comparing the results of the 2018 KC MS-YRBS with the results of previous surveys should be undertaken with great caution.

In addition, an increase in the number of Hispanic students in the 2018 KC MS-YRBS compared to previous surveys was noted from $7.4 \%$ of the total sample in 2013 to $12.1 \%$ in 2018. It is anticipated that the sample responses from Hispanic students will be robust enough to break out into a distinct race/ethnicity category for analysis purposes in future KC MS-YRBS efforts.

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## METHODOLOGY

The 2018 KC MS-YRBS was collected in two waves. The first wave was collected October 25-26, and the second wave was collected November 13-16, 2018. In all, 82 randomly selected second-period classes (a possible 1,970 $6^{\text {th }}$ - $8^{\text {th }}$ grade students) from nine KCS middle schools were included in the sample selected by KCS to be best represent the demographics of all 16 KCS middle schools.

The results indicated that 1,605 students responded to the survey resulting in an $81.4 \%$ response rate. Students could opt out of the survey by returning a passive-consent form signed by a parent or guardian or opt out on their own on the day of the survey. The surveys were administered by KCS classroom instructors after receiving just-in-time training on MS-YRBS protocols. Data were weighted based on 2017-2018 enrollment figures for gender (female or male), race-ethnicity (white nonHispanic, black non-Hispanic, and other race/ethnicities including Hispanic of any race), and school grades ( $6^{\text {th }}, 7^{\text {th }}$ and $\left.8^{\text {th }}\right)$. The data were analyzed using CDC guidelines whenever possible. Confidence intervals (CI) were generated to allow for between-group comparisons (such as between males and females) or comparisons between estimates from previous years. ${ }^{1}$ Confidence intervals that do not intersect within their ranges are significant at the $p<.05$ level. Confidence interval ranges that do intersect are not significant at $p<.05 .^{2}$

To ensure reliability, results with fewer than 20 responses were marked with an asterisk (*) in the tables and population estimates, and proportions (percent estimates) were not reported.

Note: Readers are asked to note that previous KC MS-YRBS efforts used all middle schools in their sampling methodology. Comparing the current results with previous Knox County MS-YRBS data should be undertaken with great caution. Despite this, previous KC MS-YRBS survey results are reported in the graphs when possible so that readers can see possible trends in behaviors over time. The questions vary somewhat from year to year and new questions are periodically added. Previous estimates are made available when possible. The most recent Tennessee MS-YRBS was in 2013, so those estimates are not included for comparisons in this 2018 report.

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## KEY RESULTS

The following results are findings from the 2018 KC MS-YRBS. When applicable, the results are compared to Healthy People 2020 objectives which are evidence-based health objectives to be met by communities by 2020 (see HealthyPeople.gov). Changes from KC MS-YRBS results from previous years will also be noted. Of note, confidence intervals (Cl) are included to indicate whether the values are statistically significantly different, which is important in comparing percentages. Please call the Knox County Health Department for assistance interpreting confidence intervals.

## Section 1: Behaviors That Contribute to Unintentional Injuries

- One out of two middle school students (54.5\%) who ride bikes reported they "rarely" or "never" wear a bicycle helmet when riding (Table 1). This estimate is down from $64.1 \%$ in 2013 (Figure 1). Among middle school students who ride bicycles, non-Hispanic black students (77.2\% CI: 69.1-83.7) and other race-ethnicity students, including Hispanic of any race ( $66.7 \%$ CI: $57.5-74.8$ ), were more likely to report rarely or never wearing a helmet compared to non-Hispanic white students ( $49.5 \% \mathrm{Cl}: 45.9-53.1$ ) (Figure 1).
- One out of 25 middle school students (4.1\%) reported they "rarely" or "never" wear a seatbelt when they are passengers in a car (Table 3). This met Healthy People 2020 objective IVP-16 which calls for no more than $14 \%$ of children aged $8-12$ not using safety belts (Figure 3).
- One out of seven middle school students (15.7\%) reported they rode in a car with a driver who had been drinking alcohol (Table 4).


## Section 2: Behaviors That Contribute to Self-harm and Violence

- One out of three middle school students (35.7\%) reported they had carried a weapon such as a gun, knife or club during their lifetime (Table 5; Figure 5). Other race-ethnicity students, including Hispanic of any race ( $47.3 \% \mathrm{Cl}: 39.4-55.3$ ), were more likely to report this behavior compared to non-Hispanic white students ( $38.5 \% \mathrm{CI}$ : 33.0-38.5) or non-Hispanic black students ( $19.9 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 14.6-26.4).
- Almost one half of middle school students (46.5\%) reported they had been in a physical fight (Table 6; Figure 6). Male students ( $58.8 \%$ Cl: 43.7-49.4) were more likely to report ever being in a fight compared to female students ( $30.6 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 26.9-34.6). Non-Hispanic white students ( $40.6 \% \mathrm{Cl}: 37.5-43.9$ ) were less likely to report this behavior compared to non-Hispanic black students ( $69.7 \% \mathrm{CI}$ : $62.7-75.9$ ) or students in the "other race-ethnicity" category ( $57.9 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 49.8-65.5).
- Two out of five middle school students (41.8\%) reported they were bullied on school property (Table 7). One out of five middle school students (22.0\%) reported being bullied electronically such as by texts or social media (Table 8; Figure 8). Female students ( $28.1 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 44.0-52.4) were more likely to report being bullied electronically compared to male students ( $17.2 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 14.5-20.3).

Intentional self-harm

- Almost one out of five middle school students (19.8\%) reported they have seriously considered suicide (Table 9). In addition, 11.5\% of middle school students reported they have ever made a suicide plan (Table 10). Approximately six percent (6.3\%) of middle school students reported they had actually attempted suicide (Table 11).


## Section 3: Tobacco and Electronic Nicotine Device Use

- Almost five percent (4.6\%) of middle school students reported smoking their first cigarette before 11 years of age (Table 13).
- Current cigarette use, defined as smoking cigarettes on one or more days in the past 30 days has declined from $6.0 \%$ in 2013 to $3.1 \%$ in 2018 (Table 14; Figure 14).
- The 2018 KC MS-YRBS included questions on the use of e-cigarettes/electronic vapor products for the first time (Tables 16-20). One out of six middle school students (18.1\%) reported they used an electronic vapor product such as an e-cigarette, vape pen, hookah pen or mods during their lifetime (Table 16).
- One out of 12 students ( $8.9 \%$ ) reported current electronic vapor product use defined as one or more days of use during the past 30 days (Table 17; Figure 17). Male students ( $11.0 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 8.8-13.6) reported current electronic vapor product use more frequently compared to female students ( $6.2 \% \mathrm{Cl}: 4.4-8.5$ ).
- Besides cigarettes and electronic vapor products, middle school students reported current use of smokeless tobacco products (chewing tobacco, snuff, dip) at 2.1\% (Table 21), a reduction from the 2013 smokeless tobacco use estimate of 4.3\% (Figure 21).
- Self-reported cigar use saw a reduction from $5.3 \%$ in 2013 to $2.9 \%$ in 2018 among middle school students (Table 22; Figure 22).
- One out of ten middle school students (11.1\%) reported they used tobacco in any form (cigarettes, cigars, electronic vapor products, smokeless tobacco) on one or more days during the past 30 days (Table 23). Eighth grade students ( $15.2 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 11.8-19.3) reported more tobacco use compared to $6^{\text {th }}$ grade students (7.7\% Cl:5.3-11.1) (Figure 23).


## Section 4: Alcohol and Other Drug Use

- Almost one out of five middle school students (18.6\%) reported they tried alcohol other than a few sips (Table 26; Figure 25). Male students ( $21.8 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 18.7-25.1) were more likely to report this behavior compared to female students ( $14.5 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 11.8-17.7). Students reporting their school grades in the past year to be mostly D's and F's (43.5\%) were more likely to report this behavior compared to students earning higher grades.
- Approximately four percent of middle school students (3.5\%) reported they tried marijuana before the age of 11 (Table 32; Figure 31). Almost one out of 12 middle school students ( $8.2 \%$ ) reported they have used marijuana during their lifetime (Table 31). More non-Hispanic black students ( $13.6 \% \mathrm{Cl}: 9.4-19.3$ ) reported they had used marijuana compared to nonHispanic white students ( $6.9 \%$ CI: 5.4-8.7) in 2018.
- More than six percent (6.4\%) of middle school students reported they had taken prescription pain medicine without a doctor's prescription or orders (Table 35; Figure 33).


## Section 5. Weight Control and Diet

- One out of four middle school students (25.6\%) described themselves as "slightly overweight" or "very overweight" (Table 39) and two out of five middle school students (40.2\%) reported they were trying to lose weight (Table 40; Figure 37). More non-Hispanic
black students ( $49.3 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 41-8-56.8) reported they were trying to lose weight compared to non-Hispanic white students ( $38.2 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 35.1-41.6).
- Almost half of the middle school respondents (46.4\%) indicated that they ate breakfast every day during the past week (Table 43). Sixty-five percent (65.0\%) of the students reported they ate breakfast on five days during the past week (Table 42).


## Section 6. Physical Activity

Physical activity

- Almost one out of ten middle school students (9.5\%) reported they did not participate in any physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard for at least 60 minutes during the past seven days (Table 44; Figure 41). Students that estimated their school grades to be mainly C's ( $16.8 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 11.6-23.6) reported this lack of physical activity more than students who mainly get A's in school (5.7\% CI: 3.8-8.5) or B's in school (7.9\% $\mathrm{Cl}: 5.6-11.1)$.
- One out of three middle school students (33.9\%) reported they exercised for at least 60 minutes every day for the past seven days (Table 45). This met Healthy People 2020 objective PA-3.1 which calls for at least $31.6 \%$ of adolescents meeting this federal guideline for exercise (Figure 47). Non-Hispanic white students (35.0\%) met objective PA-3.1 (31.6\%), however non-Hispanic black students (30.2\%) and "other race-ethnicity" students (29.4\%) have yet to meet this target.

Television and video games/video game play or non-academic computer use

- Approximately one out of four middle school students (24.6\%) reported they watch three or more hours of television on an average school day (Table 46). More non-Hispanic black students ( $43.9 \%$ CI:36.7-51.4) reported this behavior compared to non-Hispanic white students ( $20.2 \% \mathrm{CI}$ 17.7-23.0) or other race-ethnicity students (29.0\% CI: 22.0-37.2).
- Forty-six percent (46.0\%) of middle school students reported they play video/computer games or use computers for activities other than schoolwork for three or more hours on average school days (Table 47). Students who mainly earned D's and F's (57.9\% CI: 43.376.2) were more likely to report this behavior compared to students who mainly earned A's (38.2\% CI: 33.5-43.1).

Physical education and sports

- Almost two out of three middle school students (59.2\%) reported they attended a physical education (PE) class during the past week (Table 48) and one out of three (37.8\%) reported they attended a PE class every day during the school week (Table 49).
- Almost two out of three middle school students (63.4\%) reported they played on a sports team during the past year (Table 50).
- Nineteen percent (19.4\%) of middle school students reported they have received one or more concussions playing sports or doing physical activities during their lifetime (Table 51). This variable was asked for the first time in the 2018 KC MS-YRBS.


## Section 7. Additional Health Topics

- One out of six middle school students (16.7\%) reported they have been told by a doctor or nurse at some point during their lifetime that they have asthma (Table 52; Figure 49). NonHispanic black students ( $27.6 \% \mathrm{Cl}: 21.3-35.0$ ) were more likely to report this diagnosis compared to non-Hispanic white students (14.5\% CI:12.2-17.0).
- More than one-half of middle school students (57.2\%) reported they sleep eight or more hours during average school nights (Table 53; Figure 50). Sixth grade students ( $67.2 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ : 61.9-72,1) were more likely to report this behavior compared to eighth grade students (48.3\% CI:43.0-53.7).


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## Section 1:

## Behaviors That Contribute to Unintentional Injuries

Table 1. Among middle school students who ride bicycles, the percentage who reported they rarely or never wear a bicycle helmet when they ride
(Total $n=1,043$ )

| (Total ${ }^{\text {a }}$ - | Yes Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 572 | 5,558 | 54.5 | (51.4-57.7) |
| Male | 358 | 3,450 | 59.2 | (54.9-63.3) |
| Female | 214 | 2,108 | 48.3 | (43.6-53.0) |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 391 | 4,041 | 49.5 | (45.9-53.1) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 105 | 1,198 | 77.2 | (69.1-83.7) |
| Other race-ethnicity | 76 | 319 | 66.7 | (57.5-74.8) |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th | 137 | 1,599 | 47.0 | (41.2-52.9) |
| 7th | 250 | 1,839 | 54.3 | (49.6-58.9) |
| 8th | 185 | 2,121 | 62.3 | (56.4-67.8) |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 149 | 1,479 | 40.7 | (35.5-46.0) |
| Mostly B's | 191 | 1,821 | 55.4 | (49.8-60.8) |
| Mostly C's | 92 | 943 | 71.8 | (63.1-79.2) |
| Mostly D's or F's | 28 | 252 | 83.0 | (65.3-92.6) |

Figure 1. Among middle school students who ride bicycles, the percentage who reported they rarely or never wear a bicycle helmet when they ride, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



Table 2. Among middle school students who rollerblade or roller skate, the percentage who reported they rarely or never wear a helmet when they skate
(Total $n=498$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response |  | Weighted <br> Response | Confidence |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percentage | Intervals |  |  |  |
| Total | 336 | 3,261 | 67.9 | $(63.5-72.0)$ |
| Male | 191 | 1,824 | 71.1 | $(65.1-76.5)$ |
| Female | 145 | 1,437 | 64.2 | $(57.6-70.3)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity | 240 | 2,469 | 63.6 | $(58.6-68,4)$ |
| White non-Hispanic | 52 | 604 | 90.9 | $(80.9-95.9)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 44 | 188 | 73.0 | $(60.9-82.5)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 72 | 853 | 57.4 | $(48.5-65.9)$ |
| 6th | 141 | 1,044 | 64.1 | $(57.4-70.3)$ |
| 7th | 123 | 1,364 | 80.8 | $(73.5-86.5)$ |


| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Mostly A's | 74 | 758 | 53.4 | $(44.9-61.9)$ |
| Mostly B's | 112 | 1,079 | 68.7 | $(60.9-75.6)$ |
| Mostly C's | 58 | 573 | 83.5 | $(72.7-90.6)$ |
| Mostly D's or F's | 18 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

Figure 2. Among middle school students who rollerblade or roller skate, the percentage who reported they rarely or never wear a helmet when they skate, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, raceethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



[^1]Table 3. Percentage of middle school students who reported they rarely or never wear a seatbelt when riding in a car
(Total $n=1,321$ )

| Yes | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | 55 | 530 | 4.1 | $(3.1-5.4)$ |
| Male | 42 | 401 | 5.5 | $(4.0-7.6)$ |
| Female | 13 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 30 | 322 | 3.2 | $(2.2-4.6)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 14 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 11 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Grade in school |  |  | $*$ | $*$ |
| 6th | 12 | 148 | 5.5 | $(2.2-5.3)$ |
| 7th | 22 | 244 | $(3.6-8.5)$ |  |

## Estimated grades in past year

Mostly A's 14

Mostly B's 10
Mostly C's 12
Mostly D's or F's 6
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 3. Percentage of middle school students who reported they rarely or never wear a seatbelt when riding in a car, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018


Table 4. Percentage of middle school students who reported they rode in a car with a driver who had been drinking alcohol
(Total $n=1,309$ )

|  | Yes Response |
| :--- | ---: |
| Total | 203 |
| Male | 125 |
| Female | 78 |


| Weighted |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| 2,007 | 15.7 | $(13.7-17.9)$ |
| 1,224 | 16.9 | $(14.2-20.0)$ |
| 784 | 14.1 | $(11.4-17.3)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 146 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 31 |


| 1,518 | 15.3 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 379 | 16.8 |
| 110 | 17.8 |

(13.1-17.8)
(12.0-23.0)
(12.4-24.9)

Grade in school

| 6th grade | 46 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 7 th grade | 80 |
| 8th grade | 77 |

544
13.1
(9.9-17.1)
$586 \quad 13.8$
(11.1-16.9)
$878 \quad 20.0$
(16.2-24.5)

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
585
13.7
(10.7-17.4)

Mostly B's
579
14.1
(11.0-17.9)

Mostly C's
406
24.5
(18.1-32.3)
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 4. Percentage of middle school students who reported they rode in a car with a driver who had been drinking alcohol, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



[^2]
## Section 2:

## Behaviors That Contribute to Self-harm and Violence

Table 5. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had carried a weapon such as a gun, knife or club during their lifetime
(Total $n=1,310$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 469 | 4,563 | 35.7 | $(33.0-38.5)$ |
| Male | 373 | 3,598 | 50.0 | $(46.2-53.8)$ |
| Female | 96 | 965 | 17.3 | $(14.3-20.7)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 362 | 3,823 | 38.5 | $(33.0-38.5)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 36 | 443 | 19.9 | $(14.6-26.4)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 71 | 297 | 47.3 | $(39.4-55.3)$ |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 119 | 1,350 | 32.5 | $(27.7-37.6)$ |
| 7th grade | 195 | 1,348 | 31.6 | $(28.0-35.6)$ |
| 8th grade | 155 | 1,865 | 42.8 | $(37.7-48.0)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 155 | 1,538 | 35.6 | $(31.1-40.5)$ |
| Mostly B's | 155 | 1,480 | 36.2 | $(31.5-41.2)$ |
| Mostly C's | 60 | 646 | 37.5 | $(30.2-45.5)$ |
| Mostly D's or F's | 24 | 221 | 46.2 | $(32.2-60.7)$ |

Figure 5: Percentage of middle school students who reported they had carried a weapon such as a gun, knife or club during their lifetime in 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



Table 6. Percentage of middle school students who reported they were in a physical fight during their lifetime
(Total $n=1,313$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response |
| :--- | :---: |
| Total | 613 |
| Male | 440 |
| Female | 173 |

Weighted
Response
5,952
4,241
1,711

| Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :---: | :--- |
| 46.5 | $(43.7-49.4)$ |
| 58.8 | $(55.0-62.5)$ |
| 30.6 | $(26.9-34.6)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 387 | 4,044 | 40.6 | $(37.5-43.9)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 136 | 1,543 | 69.7 | $(62.7-75.9)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 90 | 365 | 57.9 | $(49.8-65.5)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 163 | 1,905 | 45.8 | $(40.6-51.2)$ |
| 6th grade | 274 | 1,938 | 45.4 | $(41.3-49.6)$ |
| 7th grade | 176 | 2,109 | 48.2 | $(43.1-53.5)$ |
| 8th grade |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 153 | 1,535 | 35.5 | $(30.9-40.3)$ |
| Mostly A's | 189 | 1,766 | 43.6 | $(38.7-48.6)$ |
| Mostly B's | 105 | 1,078 | 62.3 | $(54.6-69.5)$ |
| Mostly C's | 34 | 340 | 68.6 | $(54.3-80.1)$ |

Figure 6: Percentage of middle school students who reported they were in a physical fight during their lifetime, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade, and estimated school grades during the past year


Table 7. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had been bullied on school property
(Total $=1,313$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 547 | 5,347 | 41.8 | $(39.0-44.6)$ |
| Male | 276 | 2,664 | 36.9 | $(33.2-40.6)$ |
| Female | 271 | 2,683 | 48.1 | $(44.0-52.4)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity | 429 | 4,388 | 44.1 | $(40.9-47.3)$ |
| White non-Hispanic | 68 | 757 | 34.2 | $(27.8-41.3)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 50 | 202 | 31.8 | $(24.9-39.6)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $(36.7-47.2)$ |
| Grade in school | 146 | 1,747 | 41.9 | $(39.6-47.9)$ |
| 6th grade | 251 | 1,861 | 43.7 | $(34.8-45.0)$ |
| 7th grade | 150 | 1,739 | 39.8 |  |
| 8th grade |  |  |  | $(33.9-43.4)$ |
|  | 166 | 1,659 | 38.5 | $(39.2-49.1)$ |
| Estimated grades in past year | 185 | 1,806 | 44.1 | $(31.4-46.6)$ |
| Mostly A's | 67 | 662 | 38.7 | $(31.8-59.7)$ |

Figure 7: Percentage of middle school students who reported they had been bullied on school property, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



Table 8. Percentage of middle school students who reported they were bullied electronically (texting, Instagram, Facebook, or other social media) during their lifetime
(Total $n=1,319$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage <br> Intervals |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 294 | 2,829 | 22.0 | $(19.8-24.4)$ |
| Male | 131 | 1,248 | 17.2 | $(14.5-20.3)$ |
| Female | 163 | 1,582 | 28.1 | $(24.6-32.0)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity | 229 | 2,319 | 23.2 | $(20.6-26.0)$ |
| White non-Hispanic | 36 | 392 | 17.6 | $(12.8-23.6)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 29 | 119 | 18.7 | $(13.2-25.7)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 57 | 684 | 16.4 | $(12.8-20.8)$ |
| 6th grade | 140 | 1,050 | 24.5 | $(21.1-28.3)$ |
| 7th grade | 97 | 1,095 |  | $(20.7-29.6)$ |
| 8th grade |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 84 | 787 | 18.1 | $(14.7-22.1)$ |
| Mostly A's | 92 | 895 | 21.8 | $(18.0-26.1)$ |
| Mostly B's | 47 | 473 | 27.3 | $(20.9-34.8)$ |
| Mostly C's | 15 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

Figure 8. Percentage of middle school students who reported they were bullied electronically (texting, Instagram, Facebook, or other social media) during their lifetime, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, raceethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year


[^3]Table 9. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had seriously thought about suicide
(Total $n=1,298$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response |
| :--- | ---: |
| Total | 262 |
| Male | 134 |
| Female | 128 |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 185 | 1,893 | 19.2 | $(16.8-21.9)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 41 | 464 | 21.2 | $(15.8-27.6)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 36 | 148 | 23.5 | $(17.4-31.0)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 56 | 665 | 16.0 | $(12.5-20.4)$ |
| 6th grade | 121 | 886 | 21.1 | $(17.8-24.7)$ |
| 7th grade | 85 | 953 | 22.1 | $(18.1-26.8)$ |
| 8th grade |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 59 | 546 | 12.7 | $(9.8-16.3)$ |
| Mostly A's | 90 | 834 | 20.6 | $(16.9-25.0)$ |
| Mostly B's | 46 | 468 | 28.0 | $(21.4-35.7)$ |
| Mostly C's | 17 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Mostly D's or F's |  |  |  |  |
| R |  |  |  |  |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.
Figure 9. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had seriously thought about suicide, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



[^4]Table 10. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had made a plan to commit suicide
$\left.\begin{array}{lrrrr}\text { (Total } n=1,300 \text { ) } & \begin{array}{r}\text { Yes } \\ \text { Response }\end{array} & \begin{array}{r}\text { Weighted } \\ \text { Response }\end{array} & \text { Percentage }\end{array} \begin{array}{c}\text { Confidence } \\ \text { Intervals }\end{array}\right)$

Figure 10. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had made a plan to commit suicide, 2008, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Table 11. Percentage of middle school students who reported they attempted suicide
(Total $n=1,295$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 83 | 793 | 6.3 | (5.0-7.8) |
| Male | 41 | 387 | 5.4 | (3.9-7.4) |
| Female | 42 | 406 | 7.4 | (5.5-9.9) |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 58 | 560 | 5.7 | (4.4-7.4) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 18 | * | * | * |
| Other race-ethnicity | 7 | * | * | * |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 18 | * | * | * |
| 7th grade | 43 | 319 | 7.6 | (5.6-10.2) |
| 8th grade | 22 | 262 | 6.1 | (4.0-9.1) |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 15 | * | * | * |
| Mostly B's | 28 | 270 | 6.7 | (4.6-9.6) |
| Mostly C's | 12 | * | * | * |
| Mostly D's or F's | 9 | * | * | * |

Figure 11. Percentage of middle school students who reported they attempted suicide, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender


## Section 3:

## Tobacco and Electronic Nicotine Device Use

Table 12. Percentage of middle school students who reported they tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs
(Total $n=1,316$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Cercentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | 157 | 1,545 | 12.0 | $(10.3-14.0)$ |
| Male | 99 | 969 | 13.4 | $(11.0-16.3)$ |
| Female | 58 | 577 | 10.3 | $(8.0-13.1)$ |

Race-ethnicity
White non-Hispanic
107
$\begin{array}{rr}1,100 & 11.0 \\ 373 & 16.8\end{array}$
(9.1-13.2)
(12.0-23.0)

Other race-ethnicity
18

Grade in school
6th grade
32
380
9.1
(6.5-12.6)

7th grade
72
529
12.4
(9.9-15.4)

8th grade
53
636
14.6
(11.2-18.7)

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
29

286
6.6
(4.5-9.5)

Mostly B's
43
443
10.8
(8.0-14.4)

355
21.0 (15.2-28.2)

Mostly C's
35
*
14
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.
Figure 12. Percentage of middle school students who reported they tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school and estimated school grades during the past year

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Table 13. Percentage of middle school students who reported they smoked their first cigarette before 11 years of age
(Total $n=1,319$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 62 | 596 | 4.6 | (3.6-6.0) |
| Male | 47 | 445 | 6.1 | (1.6-4.4) |
| Female | 15 | * | * | * |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 39 | 401 | 4.0 | (2.9-5.5) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 13 | * | * |  |
| Other race-ethnicity | 10 | * | * | * |
| Grade in School |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 12 | * | * | * |
| 7th grade | 27 | 195 | 4.6 | (3.1-6.6) |
| 8th grade | 23 | 264 | 6.0 | (3.9-9.0) |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 11 | * | * | * |
| Mostly B's | 14 | * | * | * |
| Mostly C's | 12 | * | * | * |
| Mostly D's or F's | 5 | * | * | * |

Figure 13. Percentage of middle school students reporting they smoked their first cigarette before 11 years of age, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018


Table 14. Percentage of middle school students who reported they smoked cigarettes on one or more days during the past 30 days (current smokers)
(Total $n=1,320$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 43 | 401 | 3.1 | (2.3-4.2) |
| Male | 28 | 261 | 3.6 | (2.4-5.3) |
| Female | 15 | * | * | * |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 29 | 294 | 2.9 | (2.0-4.2) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 7 | * | * | * |
| Other race-ethnicity | 7 | * | * | * |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 6 | * | * | * |
| 7th grade | 20 | 146 | 3.4 | (2.2-5.3) |
| 8th grade | 17 | * | * | * |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 4 | * | * | * |
| Mostly B's | 9 | * | * | * |
| Mostly C's | 6 | * | * | * |
| Mostly D's or F's | 8 | * | * | * |
| *Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report. |  |  |  |  |

Figure 14. Percentage of middle school students reporting they smoked cigarettes on one or more days during the past 30 days (current smokers), 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018


Table 15. Average number of cigarettes smoked per day during the past 30 days: Percentages
(Total $n=1,358$ )

|  | Yes | Weighted |  | Confidence |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Response | Response |  |  |  | Percentage | Intervals |
| :---: |

Figure 15. Average number of cigarettes smoked per day during the past 30 days, 2018: Percentages


Table 16. Percentage of middle school students reporting they used an electronic vapor product including e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookahs, hookah pens, and mods during their lifetime ${ }^{3}$
(Total $n=1,303$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | 238 | 2,297 | 18.1 | $(16.0-20.3)$ |
| Male | 145 | 1,365 | 19.1 | $(16.2-22.3)$ |
| Female | 93 | 932 | 16.8 | $(13.9-20.2)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity | 173 | 1,813 | 18.3 | $(15.9-20.9)$ |
| White non-Hispanic | 30 | 347 | 15.9 | $(11.3-22.0)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 35 | 138 | 22.2 | $(16.3-29.5)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 37 | 447 | 10.8 | $(7.9-14.6)$ |
| 6th grade | 96 | 724 | 17.1 | $(14.2-20.4)$ |
| 7th grade |  | 1,126 | 26.0 | $(21.6-30.8)$ |
| 8th grade | 41 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 390 | 9.1 | $(6.6-12.3)$ |
| Estimated grades in past year | 77 | 734 | 17.9 | $(14.4-22.1)$ |
| Mostly A's | 50 | 528 | 31.0 | $(24.1-38.9)$ |
| Mostly B's | 18 | $*$ | $*$ |  |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 16. Percentage of middle school students reporting they used an electronic vapor product including e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookah, hookah pens and mods during their lifetime by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year, 2018

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

[^5]Table 17. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used an electronic vapor product on one or more days during the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days (current user) ${ }^{4}$
(Total $n=1,308$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 118 | 1,134 | 8.9 | (7.4-10.6) |
| Male | 83 | 791 | 11.0 | (8.8-13.6) |
| Female | 35 | 343 | 6.2 | (4.4-8.5) |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 77 | 839 | 8.5 | (6.8-10.5) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 19 | * | * | * |
| Other race-ethnicity | 22 | 86 | 13.6 | (9.1-20.0) |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 16 | * | * | * |
| 7th grade | 51 | 337 | 7.9 | (6.0-10.4) |
| 8th grade | 51 | 603 | 13.8 | (10.5-17.8) |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 14 | * | * | * |
| Mostly B's | 33 | 288 | 7.0 | (4.9-10.0) |
| Mostly C's | 32 | 342 | 19.9 | (14.3-27.2) |
| Mostly D's or F's | 9 | * | * | * |

Figure 17. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used an electronic vapor product on one or more days during the past 30 days (current user) by gender


[^6]Table 18. Average number of days an electronic vapor product was used during the past 30 days, reported by middle school students: Percentages ${ }^{5}$
(Total $n=1,308$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Did not use a vapor product | 1,190 | 11,631 | 91.1 |
| 1 or 2 days | 63 | 589 | 4.6 |
| 3 or more days | 55 | 544 | 4.3 |

Figure 18. Average number of days an electronic vapor product was used during the past 30 days, reported by middle school students, 2018: Percentages


[^7]Table 19. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use electronic nicotine devices such as Juul, Vuse, MarkTen, and Blu? Electronic vapor products include e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookahs, hookah pens, and mods.": Percentages
(Total $n=1,339$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Not at all wrong | 36 | 326 | 2.6 | $(1.7-3.6)$ |
| A little bit wrong | 53 | 457 | 3.7 | $(2.6-4.8)$ |
| Wrong | 158 | 1,469 | 11.9 | $(10.0-13.8)$ |
| Very wrong | 1019 | 10,088 | 81.8 | $(79.5-84.0)$ |

Figure 19. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use electronic nicotine devices such as Juul, Vuse, MarkTen, and Blu? Electronic vapor products include e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookahs, hookah pens, and mods.", 2018: Percentages


Table 20. Percentage of middle school students who reported their parents would feel it was not at all wrong or a little bit wrong if they used electronic vapor products
(Total $n=1,266$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Total | 89 | 783 | 6.3 | $(5.1-7.9)$ |
| Male | 64 | 544 | 7.9 | $(6.1-10.3)$ |
| Female | 25 | 239 | 4.4 | $(2.9-6.4)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 55 | 567 | 5.8 | $(4.5-7.6)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 11 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 23 | 93 | 15.2 | $(10.2-21.9)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in School | 12 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| 6th grade | 42 | 274 | 6.7 | $(4.9-9.1)$ |
| 7th grade | 35 | 372 | 8.8 | $(6.3-12.2)$ |

Estimated grades in past year

| Mostly A's | 13 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Mostly B's | 29 | 248 | 6.0 | $(4.1-8,8)$ |
| Mostly C's | 20 | 201 | 11.9 | $(7.6-18.1)$ |
| Mostly D's or F's | 5 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 20. Percentage of middle school students who reported their parents would feel it was not at all wrong or a little bit wrong if they used electronic vapor products by gender, 2018


Table 21. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, snus, or dissolvable tobacco products on one or more days during the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days
(Total $n=1,311$ )
$\left.\begin{array}{lcccr} & \text { Yes Response } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Weighted } \\ \text { Response }\end{array} & \text { Percentage }\end{array} \begin{array}{c}\text { Confidence } \\ \text { Intervals }\end{array}\right)$

Figure 21. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, snus, or dissolvable tobacco products on one or more days during the past 30 days, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018


Table 22. Percentage of middle school students who reported they smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on one or more days during the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days
(Total $n=1,306$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| Total | 41 | 376 | 2.9 | $(2.1-4.1)$ |
| Male | 31 | 273 | 3.8 | $(2.6-5.6)$ |
| Female | 10 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

Race-ethnicity
White non-Hispanic
Black non-Hispanic

| 294 | 3.0 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $*$ | $*$ |

(2.0-4.3)

Other race-ethnicity
28
4
9
*
*

Grade in school
6th grade
7 th grade

| $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
Mostly B's 10
Mostly C's
7
Mostly D's or F's 6
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 22. Percentage of middle school students who reported they smoked cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars on one or more days during the past 30 days, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018


Table 23. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used tobacco in any form, including cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco products, or an electronic vapor product on one or more days during the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days
(Total $n=1,339$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted <br> Response | Confidence <br> Percentage <br> Intervals |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | 155 | 1,453 | 11.1 | $(9.5-13.0)$ |
| Male | 107 | 975 | 13.2 | $(10.8-16.0)$ |
| Female | 48 | 478 | 8.4 | $(6.4-11.1)$ |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 101 | 1,088 | 10.8 | $(8.9-13.0)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 22 | 238 | 10.2 | $(6.7-15.3)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 32 | 126 | 19.3 | $(13.9-26.2)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in School | 28 | 329 | 7.7 | $(5.3-11.1)$ |
| 6th grade | 68 | 447 | 10.3 | $(8.1-13.0)$ |
| 7th grade | 59 | 677 | 15.2 | $(11.8-19.3)$ |

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
26
240
5.5
(3.7-8.2)

Mostly B's
46
396
9.5
(7.1-12.8)

Mostly C's 33
Mostly D's or F's
14
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 23. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used tobacco in any form, including cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco products, or an electronic vapor product on one or more days during the past 30 days, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender and race-ethnicity


Table 24. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use tobacco products such as cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco or snuff?"
(Total $n=1,339$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Not at all wrong | 27 | 242 | 2.0 | $(1.15-2.8)$ |
| A little bit wrong | 31 | 264 | 2.1 | $(1.4-2.9)$ |
| Wrong | 81 | 766 | 6.2 | $(4.8-7.6)$ |
| Very wrong | 1,132 | 11,128 | 89.7 | $(88.0-91.5)$ |

Figure 24. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use tobacco products such as cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco or snuff?" in 2018


Table 25. Percentage of middle school students who reported their parents would feel it was not at all wrong or a little bit wrong if they used tobacco products such as cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco or snuff
(Total $n=1,271$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Confidence <br> Intervals |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Total | 58 | 507 | 4.1 | $(3.1-5.4)$ |
| Male | 44 | 353 | 5.1 | $(3.7-7.1)$ |
| Female | 14 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 28 | 289 | 3.0 | $(2.0-4.3)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 13 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 17 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in School | 8 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| 6th grade | 25 | 160 | 3.9 | $(2.6-5.9)$ |
| 7th grade | 25 | 253 | 6.0 | $(3.9-8.9)$ |

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's 10
Mostly B's 16
Mostly C's 14
Mostly D's or F's 3
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

## Section 4:

## Alcohol and Other Drug Use

Table 26. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had tried alcohol other than a few sips
(Total $n=1,302$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 243 | 2,352 | 18.6 | $(16.4-20.9)$ |
| Male | 162 | 1,545 | 21.8 | $(18.7-25.1)$ |
| Female | 81 | 807 | 14.5 | $(11.8-17.7)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 163 | 1,718 | 17.4 | $(15.0-20.0)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 42 | 474 | 22.1 | $(16.6-28.7)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 38 | 160 | 25.4 | $(19.0-33.1)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 54 | 613 | 14.8 | $(11.4-19.0)$ |
| 6th grade | 99 | 706 | 16.7 | $(13.8-20.0)$ |
| 7th grade | 90 | 1,033 | 24.0 | $(19.8-28.8)$ |

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
602
13.9
(10.8-17.7)

Mostly B's
$731 \quad 17.9$ (14.4-22.0)
Mostly C's
Mostly D's or F's
$370 \quad 22.0$
(16.0-29.4)
$215 \quad 43.5$
(30.0-58.0)

Figure 25. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had tried alcohol other than a few sips, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school and estimated school grades during the past year


Table 27. Percentage of middle school students who reported they tried alcohol other than a few sips before 11 years of age
(Total $n=1,281$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | 113 | 1,094 | 8.7 | $(7.2-10.5)$ |
| Male | 80 | 770 | 11.0 | $(8.8-13.7)$ |
| Female | 33 | 325 | 5.9 | $(4.2-8.2)$ |

Race-ethnicity
White non-Hispanic 78

| 807 | 8.3 | $(6.6-10.3)$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

$357 \quad 8.7$
(6.1-12.2)

371
9.0
(6.8-11.7)

366
8.6
(6.0-12.1)

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
34
356
8.4
(5.9-11.6)

Mostly B's
35
34
8.5 (6.1-11.7)

Mostly C's
21
218 (8.5-19.6)
Mostly D's or F's
6
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 26. Percentage of middle school students who reported they tried alcohol other than a few sips before 11 years of age, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



[^8]Table 28. Methods in which alcohol was obtained in the past 30 days by percentage reported by middle school students

| (Total $n=1,298)$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage |

Figure 27. Methods in which alcohol was obtained in the past 30 days by percentage reported by middle school students, 2018


[^9]Table 29. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage every day?": Percentages
(Total $n=1,339$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Not at all wrong | 25 | 219 | 1.8 | $(1.0-2.5)$ |
| A little bit wrong | 63 | 577 | 4.7 | $(3.5-5.9)$ |
| Wrong | 164 | 1,559 | 12.6 | $(10.7-14.5)$ |
| Very wrong | 1,016 | 10,009 | 81.0 | $(78.7-83.2)$ |

Figure 28. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage every day?" in 2018


Table 30. Percentage of middle school students who reported their parents would feel it was not at all wrong or a little bit wrong if they drank one or two drinks of alcohol
(Total $n=1,268$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Total | 88 | 796 | 6.4 | $(5.2-8.0)$ |
| Male | 60 | 523 | 7.7 | $(5.8-10.0)$ |
| Female | 28 | 273 | 4.9 | $(3.4-7.1)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 59 | 608 | 6.2 | $(4.8-8.0)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 9 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 20 | 77 | 12.8 | $(8.3-10.1)$ |
| Grade in School |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 12 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| 7th grade | 43 | 277 | 6.8 | $(5.0-9.2)$ |
| 8th grade | 33 | 375 | 8.9 | $(6.3-12.4)$ |

Estimated grades in past year

| Mostly A's | 17 | $*$ | $*$ | 8.1 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Mostly B's | 35 | 328 | $*$ | $(5.7-11.2)$ |
| Mostly C's | 15 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Mostly D's or F's | 4 | $*$ | $*$ |  |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 29. Percentage of middle school students who reported their parents would feel it was not at all wrong or a little bit wrong if they drank one or two drinks of alcohol by gender, 2018


Table 31. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had used marijuana during their lifetime
(Total $n=1,294$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Total | 107 | 1,029 | 8.2 | $(6.7-9.9)$ |
| Male | 67 | 639 | 9.0 | $(7.0-11.5)$ |
| Female | 40 | 390 | 7.0 | $(5.2-9.5)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 65 | 678 | 6.9 | $(5.4-8.7)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 27 | 292 | 13.6 | $(9.4-19.3)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 15 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 12 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| 6th grade | 52 | 380 | 9.0 | $(6.9-11.8)$ |
| 7th grade | 43 | 497 | 11.7 | $(8.7-15.5)$ |

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's 18
Mostly B's
28
281
6.8
(4.7-9.9)

Mostly C's
21
13
217
13.0
(8.4-19.4)
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 30. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used marijuana during their lifetime, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender


[^10]Table 32. Percentage of middle school students who reported they tried marijuana before they were 11 years of age
(Total $n=1,294$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Confidence |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

Race-ethnicity
White non-Hispanic
27
Black non-Hispanic
12
Other race-ethnicity
8

Grade in school

| 6th grade | 12 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 7 th grade | 20 |

8th grade
15

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
Mostly B's
13

Mostly C's
10
Mostly D's or F's
8
4
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 31. Percentage of middle school students who reported they tried marijuana before the age of 11 years, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018


Table 33. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to smoke marijuana?": Percentages
(Total $n=1,339$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Not at all wrong | 36 | 326 | 2.6 | $(1.7-2.6)$ |
| A little bit wrong | 53 | 457 | 3.7 | $(2.6-4.8)$ |
| Wrong | 158 | 1,469 | 11.9 | $(10.0-13.8)$ |
| Very wrong | 1,019 | 12,340 | 81.8 | $(79.5-84.0)$ |

Figure 32. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to smoke marijuana?" by middle school students in 2018: Percentages


Table 34. Percentage of middle school students who reported their parents would feel it was not at all wrong or a little bit wrong if they smoked marijuana
(Total $n=1,263$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Total | 54 | 483 | 3.9 | $(3.0-5.2)$ |
| Male | 35 | 301 | 4.4 | $(3.1-6.3)$ |
| Female | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 30 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Black non-Hispanic | 11 |

Other race-ethnicity 13

Grade in School
6th grade 5
7 th grade 25
8th grade 24
$176 \quad 4.3$
2526.0
(2.2-4.6)
3.2
*
(2.2-4.6)
*
*

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's 10
Mostly B's 14
Mostly C's 12
Mostly D's or F's 3
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Table 35. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had taken pain medicine without a doctor's prescription or differently than how a doctor told them to use it (Total $n=1,281$ )

| (Total l - | Yes Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 86 | 801 | 6.4 | (5.1-7.9) |
| Male | 54 | 478 | 6.8 | (5.1-9.0) |
| Female | 32 | 323 | 5.9 | (4.2-8.3) |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 55 | 554 | 5.7 | (4.3-7.4) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 17 | * | * |  |
| Other race-ethnicity | 14 | * | * | * |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6 th grade | 12 | * | * | * |
| 7th grade | 42 | 291 | 7.0 | (5.2-9.5) |
| 8th grade | 32 | 375 | 8.8 | (6.3-12.3) |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 20 | 192 | 4.5 | (2.9-7.0) |
| Mostly B's | 27 | 265 | 6.5 | (4.4-9.5) |
| Mostly C's | 16 | * | * | * |
| Mostly D's or F's | 4 | * | * | * |

Figure 33. Percentage of middle school students who reported they had taken pain medicine without a doctor's prescription or differently than how a doctor told them to use it, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender


Table 36. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use prescription drugs not prescribed for you?": Percentages
(Total $n=1,339$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Not at all wrong | 30 | 255 | 2.1 | $(1.2-2.9)$ |
| A little bit wrong | 28 | 233 | 1.9 | $(1.1-2.7)$ |
| Wrong | 117 | 1,137 | 9.3 | $(7.6-11.0)$ |
| Very wrong | 1,081 | 10,615 | 86.7 | $(84.8-88.7)$ |

Figure 34. Responses to the question, "How wrong do your parents feel it would be for you to use prescription drugs not prescribed for you?" by middle school students in 2018: Percentages


Table 37. Percentage of middle school students who reported their parents would feel it was not at all wrong or a little bit wrong if they use prescription drugs not prescribed for them
(Total $n=1,256$ )

|  | Yes Response |
| :--- | :---: |
| Total | 58 |
| Male | 36 |
| Female | 22 |

Race-ethnicity
White non-Hispanic
29

Black non-Hispanic
29
Other race-ethnicity
21
Grade in School
6th grade
7th grade
8th grade
125
3.1

299
7.2
Confidence
Intervals
$(3.0-5.2)$
$(2.7-5.7)$
$(2.7-6.1)$
(2.2-4.6)
(9.6-21.3)
(2.0-4.8)
(4.9-10.3)
*

Estimated grades in past year

| Mostly A's | 14 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Mostly B's | 18 |
| Mostly C's | 10 |
| Mostly D's or F's | 5 |


| Weighted |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Response | Percentage |
| 488 | 4.0 |
| 267 | 3.9 |
| 221 | 4.0 |


| 306 | 3.2 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $*$ | * |


*
*
*
*
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Table 38. Percentage of middle school students who reported they used inhalants (spray cans, paints, or sprays) to get high during their lifetime
(Total $n=1,286$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 64 | 609 | 4.8 | (3.7-6.2) |
| Male | 40 | 377 | 5.4 | (3.8-7.4) |
| Female | 24 | 233 | 4.2 | (2.8-6.2) |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 47 | 480 | 4.9 | (3.7-6.5) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 7 | * | * | * |
| Other race-ethnicity | 10 | * | * | * |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 9 | * | * | * |
| 7th grade | 31 | 217 | 5.2 | (3.7-7.4) |
| 8th grade | 24 | 280 | 6.6 | (4.4-9.8) |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 13 | * | * | * |
| Mostly B's | 23 | 225 | 5.5 | (3.6-8.2) |
| Mostly C's | 0 | * | * | * |
| Mostly D's or F's | 4 | * | * | * |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 35. Percentage of middle school students reporting they used inhalants (spray cans, paints, or sprays) to get high during their lifetime, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender


## Section 5: Weight Control and Diet

Table 39. Percentage of middle school students who describe their weight as slightly overweight or very overweight
(Total $n=1,245$ )

|  | Yes Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage <br> Ronfidence |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Total | 322 | 3,107 | 25.6 | $(23.1-28.2)$ |
| Male | 171 | 1,610 | 23.8 | $(20.5-27.3)$ |
| Female | 151 | 1,497 | 27.9 | $(24.2-31.9)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 235 | 2,408 | 25.2 | $(22.4-28.2)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 45 | 524 | 26.3 | $(20.2-33.5)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 42 | 176 | 29.6 | $(22.6-37.7)$ |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 82 | 970 | 24.4 | $(20.0-29.4)$ |
| 7th grade | 141 | 1,039 | 25.9 | $(22.3-29.8)$ |
| 8th grade | 99 | 1,098 | 26.4 | $(22.0-31.4)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 93 | 872 | 20.5 | $(16.8-24.7)$ |
| Mostly A's | 114 | 1,099 | 27.5 | $(23.2-32.2)$ |
| Mostly B's | 48 | 481 | 28.7 | $(22.1-36.4)$ |
| Mostly C's | 12 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Mostly D's or F's |  |  |  |  |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 36. Percentage of middle school students who describe their weight as slightly overweight or very overweight, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year


[^11]Table 40. Percentage of middle school students who reported they were trying to lose weight
(Total $n=1,236$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percentage |  |  |  | | $(397.4-43.1)$ |
| :---: |
| Total |
| Male |
| Female |
|  |
| Race-ethnicity |
| White non-Hispanic |
| Black non-Hispanic |

Figure 37. Percentage of middle school students who reported they were trying to lose weight, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



Table 41. Responses to the question, "During the past 7 days, on how many days did you eat breakfast?": Percentages
(Total $n=1,265$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 0 Days | 131 | 1,296 | 10.5 | $(8.7-12.3)$ |
| 1 Day | 60 | 591 | 4.8 | $(3.6-6.0)$ |
| 2 Days | 86 | 820 | 6.6 | $(5.2-8.1)$ |
| 3 Days | 87 | 885 | 7.2 | $(5.7-8.7)$ |
| 4 Days | 74 | 728 | 5.9 | $(4.5-7.3)$ |
| 5 Days | 121 | 1,229 | 10.0 | $(8.2-11.7)$ |
| 6 Days | 106 | 1,062 | 8.6 | $(7.0-10.2)$ |
| 7 Days | 600 | 5,725 | 46.4 | $(43.5-49.3)$ |

Figure 38. Responses to the question, "During the past 7 days, on how many days did you eat breakfast?", 2018: Percentages


Table 42. Percentage of middle school students who reported they ate breakfast five or more times during the past seven days
(Total $n=1,339$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Confidence <br> Percentage | Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 827 | 8,017 | 65.0 | $(62.2-67.7)$ |
| Male | 511 | 4,847 | 71.3 | $(67.5-74.7)$ |
| Female | 316 | 3,170 | 57.3 | $(53.0-61.4)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity | 615 | 6,413 | 66.0 | $(62.9-69.1)$ |
| White non-Hispanic | 104 | 1,157 | 57.2 | $(49.6-64.4)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 108 | 447 | 74.3 | $(66.6-80.8)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 244 | 2,856 | 70.0 | $(64.8-74.7)$ |
| 6th grade | 359 | 2,600 | 63.7 | $(59.5-67.7)$ |
| 7th grade | 224 | 2,561 | 61.3 | $(56.0-66.4)$ |
| Sth grade |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 315 | 3,107 | 71.9 | $(67.3-76.1)$ |
| Mostly A's | 269 | 2,585 | 63.1 | $(58.1-67.7)$ |
| Mostly B's | 97 | 980 | 57.9 | $(50.1-65.4)$ |

Figure 39. Percentage of middle school students who reported they ate breakfast five or more times during the past seven days, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



Table 43. Percentage of middle school students who reported they ate breakfast on all seven days during the past week
(Total $n=1,265$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response |
| :--- | :---: |
| Total | 600 |
| Male | 389 |
| Female | 211 |


| Weighted <br> Response | Percentage |
| :---: | :---: |
| 5,725 | 46.4 |
| 3,628 | 53.3 |
| 2,103 | 38.0 |


| Confidence |
| :---: |
| Intervals |

$(43.5-49.3)$
$(49.3-57.2)$
$(34.0-42.2)$

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 435 | 4,502 | 46.4 | $(43.1-49.7)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 79 | 867 | 42.8 | $(35.6-50.3)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 86 | 356 | 59.2 | $(51.0-67.0)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 170 | 1,964 | 48.1 | $(42.8-53.5)$ |
| 6th grade | 272 | 1,957 | 48.0 | $(43.7-52.2)$ |
| 7th grade | 158 | 1,805 | 43.2 | $(38.0-48.5)$ |

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
2,285 52.9
(48.0-57.8)

Mostly B's
197
Mostly C's
Mostly D's or F's

1,870 45.6
$630 \quad 37.2$ * *
(40.7-50.6)
(30.0-45.1)
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Figure 40. Percentage of middle school students who reported they ate breakfast on all seven days during the past week, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year


*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

## Section 6:

 Physical ActivityTable 44. Percentage of middle school students who reported they did not participate in physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard (for some of the time) for at least $\mathbf{6 0}$ minutes during the past seven days
(Total $n=1,245$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| Total | 118 | 1,158 | 9.5 | $(7.9-11.4)$ |
| Male | 78 | 756 | 11.2 | $(8.9-14.0)$ |
| Female | 40 | 402 | 7.4 | $(5.5-10.0)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 73 | 780 | 8.2 | $(6.5-10.2)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 25 | 291 | 14.5 | $(9.9-20.8)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 20 | 87 | 14.7 | $(9.7-21.8)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 33 | 355 | 9.0 | $(6.4-12.6)$ |
| 6th grade | 43 | 314 | 7.8 | $(5.8-10.4)$ |
| 7th grade | 42 | 489 | 11.7 | $(8.7-15.6)$ |
| 8th grade |  |  |  |  |

Estimated grades in past year
Mostly A's
26
244
5.7
(3.8-8.5)

Mostly B's
32
324
7.9
(5.6-11.1)

Mostly C's
27
287
16.8
(11.6-23.6)

Mostly D's or F's
11
*
*
*
*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.
Figure 41. Percentage of middle school students who reported they did not participate in physical activity that increased their heart rate and made them breathe hard (for some of the time) for at least 60 minutes during the past seven days, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



[^12]Table 45. Percentage of middle school students who reported they participated in a physical activity for at least sixty minutes every day during the past seven days
(Total $n=1,245$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 430 | 4,120 | 33.9 | $(31.2-36.7)$ |
| Male | 255 | 2,411 | 35.8 | $(32.1-39.7)$ |
| Female | 175 | 1,798 | 31.6 | $(27.8-35.7)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 331 | 3,341 | 35.0 | $(31.9-38.2)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 56 | 605 | 30.2 | $(23.8-37.5)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 43 | 173 | 29.4 | $(22.5-37.5)$ |

Grade in school

| 6th grade | 104 | 1,259 | 31.9 | $(27.0-37.3)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 7th grade | 223 | 1,652 | 41.0 | $(36.8-45.2)$ |
| 8th grade | 103 | 1,209 | 29.0 | $(24.4-34.1)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 163 | 1,613 | 37.9 | $(33.3-42.8)$ |
| Mostly A's | 145 | 1,364 | 33.3 | $(28.8-38.1)$ |
| Mostly B's | 58 | 592 | 34.6 | $(27.5-42.5)$ |
| Mostly C's | 11 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.
Figure 42. Percentage of middle school students who reported they participated in a physical activity for at least sixty minutes every day during the past seven days, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, and race-ethnicity;


*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

Table 46. Percentage of middle school students who reported they watch three or more hours of television on an average school day
(Total $\mathrm{n}=1,246$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 306 | 2,992 | 24.6 | $(22.1-27.2)$ |
| Male | 175 | 1,682 | 24.9 | $(21.6-28.5)$ |
| Female | 131 | 1,310 | 24.2 | $(20.7-28.1)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 184 | 1,934 | 20.2 | $(17.7-23.0)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Black non-Hispanic | 82 | 891 | 43.9 | $(36.7-51.4)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 40 | 168 | 29.0 | $(22.0-37.2)$ |

Grade in school

| 6th grade | 90 | 1,044 | 25.9 | $(21.4-30.9)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 7 th grade | 129 | 961 | 23.9 | $(20.4-27.8)$ |
| 8th grade | 87 | 987 | 24.0 | $(19.7-28.8)$ |

Estimated grades in past year

| Mostly A's | 65 | 627 | 14.7 | $(11.5-18.5)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Mostly B's | 104 | 1,013 | 24.8 | $(20.7-29.4)$ |
| Mostly C's | 59 | 605 | 35.7 | $(28.5-43.6)$ |
| Mostly D's or F's | 21 | 219 | 46.1 | $(32.0-60.8)$ |

Figure 43. Percentage of middle school students who reported they watch three or more hours of television on an average school day, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018. 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



Table 47. Percentage of middle school students who reported they play video or computer games or use a computer for something other than school work for three or more hours on average school days
(Total $n=1,248$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 571 | 5,599 | 46.0 | $(43.1-48.9)$ |
| Male | 336 | 3,278 | 48.5 | $(44.6-52.5)$ |
| Female | 235 | 2,321 | 42.8 | $(38.7-47.1)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 417 | 4,292 | 44.8 | $(41.6-48.1)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 93 | 1,049 | 52.4 | $(44.9-59.8)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 61 | 258 | 43.6 | $(35.6-51.9)$ |

Grade in school

| 6th grade | 138 | 1,616 | 40.4 | $(35.2-45.9)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 7th grade | 251 | 1,872 | 46.4 | $(42.2-50.7)$ |
| 8th grade | 182 | 2,111 | 51.0 | $(45.6-56.3)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 165 | 1,629 | 38.2 | $(33.5-43.1)$ |
| Mostly A's | 210 | 2,004 | 48.5 | $(43.5-53.4)$ |
| Mostly B's | 88 | 909 | 53.8 | $(45.9-61.5)$ |
| Mostly C's | 28 | 284 | 57.9 | $(43.3-71.2)$ |

Figure 44. Percentage of middle school students who reported they play video or computer games or use a computer for something other than school work for three or more hours on average school days, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school and estimated grades in school during the past year



Table 48. Percentage of middle school students who reported they attended PE on one or more days during the past week
(Total $n=1,224$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Confidence <br> Intervals |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | 736 | 7,088 | 59.2 | $(56.2-62.0)$ |
| Male | 450 | 4,213 | 63.5 | $(59.6-67.3)$ |
| Female | 286 | 286 | 53.8 | $(49.5-58.0)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity | 542 | 5,602 | 59.2 | $(55.8-62.4)$ |
| White non-Hispanic | 98 | 1,093 | 56.2 | $(48.5-63.6)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 96 | 393 | 69.7 | $(61.4-77.0)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 191 | 2,253 | 57.3 | $(51.8-62.6)$ |
| 6th grade | 333 | 2,407 | 60.8 | $(56.5-65.0)$ |
| 7th grade | 212 | 2,429 | 59.3 | $(54.0-64.5)$ |
| 8th grade |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 245 | 6,209 | 56.8 | $(51.8-61.6)$ |
| Mostly A's | 273 | 2,375 | 63.7 | $(58.8-68.4)$ |
| Mostly B's | 92 | 911 | 54.6 | $(46.6-62.4)$ |
| Mostly C's | 31 | 299 | 64.0 | $(48.8-76.9)$ |
| Mostly D's or F's |  |  |  |  |

Figure 45. Percentage of middle school students who reported they attended PE on one or more days during the past week, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school and estimated grades in school during the past year


Table 49. Percentage of middle school students who reported they attended a PE class daily (five times) in the past seven days
(Total $n=1,224$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted Response | Percentage | Confidence Intervals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 475 | 4,528 | 37.8 | (35.0-40.7) |
| Male | 289 | 2,675 | 40.3 | (36.5-44.3) |
| Female | 186 | 1,854 | 34.7 | (30.7-38.9) |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 362 | 3,694 | 39.0 | (35.8-42.3) |
| Black non-Hispanic | 57 | 599 | 30.8 | (24.3-38.1) |
| Other race-ethnicity | 56 | 235 | 41.8 | (33.7-50.4) |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 117 | 1,370 | 34.8 | (29.8-40.2) |
| 7th grade | 224 | 1,657 | 41.9 | (37.7-46.2) |
| 8th grade | 134 | 1,502 | 36.7 | (31.7-42.0) |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 167 | 1,626 | 38.9 | (34.2-43.8) |
| Mostly B's | 174 | 1,659 | 40.3 | (35.5-45.3) |
| Mostly C's | 59 | 563 | 33.8 | (26.7-41.6) |
| Mostly D's or F's | 18 | * | * | * |

Figure 46. Percentage of middle school students who reported they attended a PE class daily (five times) in the past seven days, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year


[^13]Table 50. Percentage of middle school students who reported they played on one or more sports teams during the past 12 months
(Total $n=1,228$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 777 | 7,612 | 63.4 | $(60.5-66.2)$ |
| Male | 434 | 4,158 | 62.6 | $(58.7-66.4)$ |
| Female | 343 | 3,455 | 64.4 | $(60.1-68.4)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 584 | 6,073 | 64.0 | $(60.8-67.1)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 104 | 1,174 | 60.2 | $(52.5-67.4)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 89 | 365 | 64.3 | $(55.9-72.0)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school |  |  |  |  |
| 6th grade | 215 | 2,561 | 64.6 | $(59.2-69.6)$ |
| 7th grade | 333 | 2,439 | 61.3 | $(57.1-65.5)$ |
| 8th grade | 229 | 2,617 | 64.3 | $(58.9-69.3)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year |  |  |  |  |
| Mostly A's | 301 | 3,036 | 70.7 | $(66.0-74.9)$ |
| Mostly B's | 278 | 2,653 | 64.3 | $(59.3-68.9)$ |
| Mostly C's | 105 | 1,073 | 63.7 | $(55.9-70.9)$ |
| Mostly D's or F's | 23 | 217 | 45.8 | $(31.7-60.6)$ |

Figure 47. Percentage of middle school students who reported they played on one or more sports teams during the past 12 months, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year


Table 51. Percentage of middle school students who reported they have had one or more concussions from playing a sport or being physically active ${ }^{6}$
(Total $n=1,231$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| Total | 251 | 2,339 | 19.4 | $(17.2-21.8)$ |
| Male | 156 | 1,384 | 20.8 | $(17.8-24.2)$ |
| Female | 95 | 955 | 17.7 | $(14.7-21.3)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Race-ethnicity | 175 | 1,789 | 18.8 | $(16.4-21.5)$ |
| White non-Hispanic | 36 | 389 | 19.9 | $(14.6-26.6)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 40 | 161 | 28.3 | $(21.4-36.5)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 73 | 888 | 22.2 | $(18.0-27.1)$ |
| 6th grade | 119 | 835 | 21.0 | $(17.7-24.7)$ |
| 7th grade | 59 | 617 | 15.1 | $(11.7-19.3)$ |
| 8th grade |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 73 | 696 | 16.2 | $(12.9-20.1)$ |
| Mostly A's | 77 | 719 | 17.4 | $(13.9-21.5)$ |
| Mostly B's | 40 | 378 | 22.1 | $(16.3-29.1)$ |
| Mostly C's | 15 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| Mostly D's or F's |  |  |  |  |

Figure 48. Percentage of middle school students who reported they have had one or more concussions from playing a sport or being physically active by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year, 2018

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

[^14]
## Section 7:

## Additional Health Topics

Table 52. Percentage of middle school students who reported they were told by a doctor or a nurse that they have asthma during their lifetime
(Total $n=1,206$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Cercentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 202 | 1,973 | 16.7 | $(14.6-19.0)$ |
| Male | 118 | 1,145 | 17.6 | $(14.7-20.9)$ |
| Female | 84 | 828 | 15.6 | $(12.7-18.9)$ |
| Race-ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| White non-Hispanic | 133 | 1,354 | 14.5 | $(12.3-17.0)$ |
| Black non-Hispanic | 47 | 529 | 27.6 | $(21.3-35.0)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 22 | 91 | 16.5 | $(11.0-23.9)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Grade in school | 47 | 562 | 14.3 | $(10.9-18.6)$ |
| 6th grade | 95 | 708 | 18.3 | $(15.1-21.9)$ |
| 7th grade | 60 | 703 | 17.4 | $(13.6-21.9)$ |
| Sth grade |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated grades in past year | 73 | 744 | 17.4 | $(14.0-21.6)$ |
| Mostly A's | 68 | 639 | 15.6 | $(12.3-19.5)$ |
| Mostly B's | 35 | 347 | 20.8 | $(15.1-27.9)$ |
| Mostly C's | 8 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |

*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.
Figure 49. Percentage of middle school students who reported they were ever told by a doctor or a nurse that they have asthma, 2008, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year ${ }^{7}$


*Fewer than 20 responses, too unreliable to report.

[^15]Table 53. Percentage of middle school students who reported they sleep eight or more hours on average school nights
(Total $n=1,220$ )

|  | Yes <br> Response | Weighted <br> Response | Percentage | Confidence <br> Intervals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 693 | 6,835 | 57.2 | $(54.3-60.0)$ |
| Male | 392 | 3,772 | 57.1 | $(53.1-61.0)$ |
| Female | 301 | 3,063 | 57.3 | $(53.0-61.5)$ |

Race-ethnicity

| White non-Hispanic | 526 | 5,459 | 57.2 | $(54.6-61.1)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Black non-Hispanic | 97 | 1,084 | 55.1 | $(47.4-62.5)$ |
| Other race-ethnicity | 70 | 293 | 52.7 | $(44.1-61.1)$ |

Grade in school
6th grade 223

| 2,647 | 67.2 | $(61.9-72.1)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2,218 | 56.4 | $(52.0-60.6)$ |
| 1,970 | 48.3 | $(43.0-53.7)$ |

Estimated grades in past year

| Mostly A's | 292 | 2,908 | 67.4 | $(55.3-61.4)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Mostly B's | 235 | 2,307 | 55.9 | $(62.7-71.8)$ |
| Mostly C's | 77 | 748 | 44.0 | $(36.4-51.9)$ |
| Mostly D's or F's | 24 | 241 | 50.6 | $(36.1-64.7)$ |

Figure 50. Percentage of middle school students who reported they sleep eight or more hours on average school nights, 2013, 2018; 2018 by gender, race-ethnicity, grade in school, and estimated school grades during the past year



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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Motulsky, H. (1995). Intuitive biostatistics. Oxford University Press. New York.
    2 How to interpret confidence intervals: If $10 \%$ of women in a sample said they have ever had a broken leg (confidence interval $=8.0$ to 12.0 ), and $15 \%$ of men in a sample said they have ever had a broken leg (confidence interval $=13.0$ to 17.0 ), then there would be a significant difference at the $p<.05$ probability level because 8.0-12.0 (women) and 13.0-17.0 (men) do not contain the same numbers within their ranges. In this example, one would be $95 \%$ confident $(p<.05)$ that men (15\%) were significantly more likely to report having had a broken leg compared to women (10\%).

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[^15]:    ${ }^{7}$ This variable was not asked in the 2010 MS-YRBS.

