



2018 Dane County Youth Assessment
Dane County Middle Schools Combined Report
All Items by Grade Level

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Dane County Youth Assessment (DCYA) 2018

Since 1980, Dane County youth in grades 7-12 have been surveyed regarding their opinions, concerns, attitudes, behaviors and experiences. Survey results provide essential data to educators, service providers, parents, policy-makers and funding bodies to inform grant writing, program development and public policy.

The Youth Assessment is a collaborative effort led by the Dane County Youth Commission in partnership with the United Way of Dane County, Public Health Madison & Dane County, the City of Madison, seventeen public school districts and one private school in Dane County.

Survey Development and Administration

Project vendor K12 Associates and a committee of educators, public health professionals, project funders, and citizen and parent representatives led the survey development. The survey includes questions about behaviors across contexts of school, peers, family and community. The 2018 DCYA includes new items on emerging issues while retaining questions from past surveys to measure trends. The 2018 DCYA has many questions from the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Survey to allow for comparisons with state and national trends. The survey development group made extensive efforts to ensure that questions are clear and understandable.

From January 15 through March 15, 2018, seventeen public school districts and one private high school participated in the Dane County Youth Assessment. The survey was administered electronically at middle and high schools to students in regular and alternative school programs. Students with special needs or reading challenges were offered assistance in reading the survey. Student participation in the DCYA was voluntary and anonymous. Parents were notified four weeks in advance of survey administration, invited to review the survey at their school district office, and given the option to select their child out of the process. While the survey is available at school district offices for public review prior to its administration, distribution is restricted until after it is administered in order to preserve the integrity of student responses.

Data Analysis and Reports

School districts attempt to survey all 7th-12th graders, with most districts capturing over 90%. Due to the size of their student populations and administration complexities, the Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD) and the Sun Prairie Area School District (SPASD) used sampling methods to survey approximately 50% of their 7th-12th graders. The data for the sample of MMSD and SPASD students that participated in the survey are weighted to ensure representation of the entire MMSD and SPASD student bodies of 7th-12th graders. Results of student responses to survey questions are presented as percentages of the *weighted number* for each item. Behavioral risk surveys using self-report methodology are widely used and have been proven to be valid and reliable. The large number of participants in the DCYA, the fact that results are in line with national trends, and consistency in findings from year to year supports the validity of the DCYA.

This report provides a complete set of data tables with all survey questions and countywide responses by student grade level. The 2018 Overview Report summarizing key findings is available on the Youth Commission web site. Subsequent analysis will be conducted by funding partners and researchers yielding additional information about Dane County youth including comparisons, trends and factors influencing youth behavior. Reports will also be posted on the Youth Commission web page at www.co.dane.wi.us/humanservices/youth/youthhome.htm as they become available. All published reports may be printed without permission. Citation for any reporting of this data is "2018 Dane County Youth Assessment, Dane County Youth Commission, Madison, Wisconsin."

Conclusion

The 2018 Youth Assessment marks the seventh time the Youth Commission has coordinated an opportunity for 7th-12th grade youth in Dane County to voice their opinions, needs, concerns and interests. This effort provides the community with information and insight on youth trends. Although not the only source of information on what is impacting youth in our community, the Youth Assessment provides one very valuable resource to inform program and policy decisions. The data reflected in this report is encouraging in some areas and concerning in others. The Youth Commission and its partners hope that youth-serving agencies, community stakeholders, parents, policy makers, school districts and youth will use this and subsequent reports to appreciate where we have been, to recognize the successes and challenges of today and to create an even brighter future for Dane County.

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Using Report Tables

All tables in the following report are constructed in the same manner. Each table summarizes the responses for **one particular survey item** for either all high school students (grades 9-12) or all middle school students surveyed (grades 7-8). The data tables are intended to provide as much information as possible in an easy-to-understand format. Below is a description of each element in the table.

Grade by gender

% of all 7th-8th graders combined

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
5.What sex were you assigned at birth?	Female	50%	49%	49%
	Male	50%	51%	51%

The % of 7th graders who are male

Note: Some column percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Survey Population 7th – 8th Graders

N= 10,426

Demographics

Gender assigned at birth and grade level

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?				All Students	
		7th		8th		% of Group	# of Students
		% of Group	# of Students	% of Group	# of Students		
5.What sex were you assigned at birth?	Female	50%	2637	49%	2522	49%	5159
	Male	50%	2653	51%	2614	51%	5267

Race

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
3.What is your race? (Chose only one)	American Indian or Alaskan Native	1%	1%	1%
	Asian (not Hmong)	4%	4%	4%
	Black or African American (not Hispanic)	10%	9%	9%
	Hispanic or Latino	12%	13%	12%
	Asian (Hmong)	2%	2%	2%
	Middle Eastern or North African	1%	1%	1%
	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0%	0%	0%
	White (not Hispanic)	62%	63%	62%
	Multi-racial (more than one race)	9%	8%	8%

Gender Identification

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
6.How do you describe your gender identity? (check one)	Male	50%	50%	50%
	Female	48%	47%	48%
	Non-binary	2%	2%	2%
	Gender fluid	0%	0%	0%

Transgender Identification

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
7.Do you identify as transgender?	Yes	1%	1%	1%
	No	96%	96%	96%
	Not Sure	3%	2%	3%

Sexual orientation

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
8.Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?	Straight/Heterosexual	87%	87%	87%
	Gay or Lesbian	1%	2%	2%
	Bisexual	5%	5%	5%
	Pansexual	3%	3%	3%
	Asexual	0%	0%	0%
	Questioning my sexual orientation	1%	1%	1%
	Other	2%	2%	2%

Living Situation

Primary living situation

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
10.Which option best describes your living situation most of the time?	I live with my parent(s)	97%	97%	97%
	I live with relatives (not my parents)	1%	1%	1%
	I live with friends	0%	0%	0%
	I live in a group home or foster home	0%	0%	0%
	I live alone	0%	0%	0%
	Other	1%	1%	1%

Parents home after school

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
11.If I'm home after school, from 3:00-6:00, there is . . .	Always a parent/guardian at home	35%	31%	33%
	Usually a parent/guardian at home	54%	55%	54%
	Seldom a parent/guardian at home	8%	10%	9%
	Never a parent/guardian at home	3%	4%	3%

Homelessness

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
12.Have you ever been homeless?	Yes	3%	4%	4%
	No	91%	91%	91%
	Don't know	6%	4%	5%

Family Financial

School changes due to moving

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
20.In the past 12 months how many times have you changed school because of moving?	0 times	89%	91%	90%
	1 time	8%	6%	7%
	2 times	2%	1%	1%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	1%

Free or reduced lunch

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
66.Do you get free or reduced fees lunch at school?	Yes	30%	24%	27%
	No	57%	63%	60%
	Don't know	13%	13%	13%

Family financial situation

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
21.How would you describe your family's current financial situation?	Money is not a problem for my family right now.	66%	63%	64%
	Things are tight but we are doing fine.	31%	33%	32%
	We're struggling with not having enough money.	3%	3%	3%

Family having to miss meals because of money

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
29.In the past 30 days, how often did you skip meals or eat less because your family didn't have enough money for food?	Never	90%	89%	89%
	Once	6%	6%	6%
	More than once	4%	5%	5%

Dental care – last visit

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
32.When was the last time you saw a dentist for a check-up, exam, teeth cleaning or other dental work?	Within the past 12 months	81%	83%	82%
	Between 12 and 24 months ago (1-2 years ago)	5%	5%	5%
	More than 24 months ago (more than 2 years ago)	2%	2%	2%
	Never	0%	1%	1%
	Not sure	13%	10%	11%

Dental care - missed school with dental pain

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
33.In the past 12 months, have you ever missed school because of pain in your teeth or gums?	Yes	4%	3%	4%
	No	96%	97%	96%

Extracurriculars

Afterschool program participation

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
14.Do you currently participate in an after-school program?	Yes	53%	52%	53%
	No	47%	48%	47%

Barriers to after school program participation

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
15.Which reason below best describes why you don't participate	I do participate in an after-school program.	46%	44%	45%
	Transportation	2%	2%	2%
	Don't know what programs are available	2%	2%	2%
	Parents won't let me	3%	2%	2%
	Too busy already	1%	1%	1%
	Not interested	14%	13%	13%
	Other reasons	33%	36%	34%

Volunteering

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
13.Have you done any volunteer work or community service in the last 12 months?	Yes	50%	55%	52%
	No	50%	45%	48%

Days a week participating in sports

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
16(a). Sports (school or club) and group exercise, including practice, competition or private lessons	Never involved in this activity	27%	27%	27%
	Less than 1 day per week	6%	6%	6%
	1-2 days	20%	20%	20%
	3-4 days	26%	27%	26%
	5 or more days	21%	21%	21%

Days a week participating in homework club

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
16(b). Tutoring, homework club or other academic support	Never involved in this activity	74%	73%	73%
	Less than 1 day per week	8%	10%	9%
	1-2 days	11%	11%	11%
	3-4 days	5%	4%	4%
	5 or more days	3%	3%	3%

Days a week participating in drama, music or art

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
16(c). Music, art, dance or drama	Never involved in this activity	57%	61%	59%
	Less than 1 day per week	7%	7%	7%
	1-2 days	18%	16%	17%
	3-4 days	9%	9%	9%
	5 or more days	8%	7%	8%

Days a week participating in student leadership

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
16(d). Leadership and/or support group	Never involved in this activity	83%	84%	84%
	Less than 1 day per week	7%	7%	7%
	1-2 days	7%	7%	7%
	3-4 days	1%	1%	1%
	5 or more days	2%	1%	1%

Days a week participating in religious activities

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
16(e). Religious or spiritual activities	Never involved in this activity	64%	62%	63%
	Less than 1 day per week	12%	12%	12%
	1-2 days	20%	22%	21%
	3-4 days	2%	2%	2%
	5 or more days	2%	2%	2%

Days a week participating in after school clubs

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
16(f). Other afterschool programs, clubs or activities at a school, neighborhood center or organization	Never involved in this activity	62%	62%	62%
	Less than 1 day per week	12%	12%	12%
	1-2 days	15%	16%	15%
	3-4 days	6%	6%	6%
	5 or more days	5%	3%	4%

Exercise, Weight and Nutrition

Physical activity

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
17.During the past 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day? The physical activity could have happened a few times throughout the day at smaller amounts, adding up to 60 minutes as a total for the day?	0 days active for 60 minutes	5%	6%	5%
	1 day active for 60 minutes	5%	5%	5%
	2 days active for 60 minutes	9%	10%	9%
	3 days active for 60 minutes	14%	14%	14%
	4 days active for 60 minutes	14%	14%	14%
	5 days active for 60 minutes	17%	18%	17%
	6 days active for 60 minutes	11%	12%	11%
	7 days active for 60 minutes	25%	21%	23%

Things that stop or limit exercising

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
18(a) Nothing stops or limits me from being physically active		48%	43%	46%
18(b) Don't have time (because of school work, job, chores, etc.)		26%	29%	28%
18(c) Don't like it or don't think it's important		9%	11%	10%
18(d) Physical or other health problems		6%	8%	7%
18(e) Skills aren't good enough		8%	9%	8%
18(f) Not enough programs or places to exercise		4%	4%	4%
18(g) Don't know what is offered or how to sign up		4%	3%	4%
18(h) It costs too much (fees or equipment)		4%	5%	5%
18(i) Transportation is a problem		4%	6%	5%
18(j) Other reasons stops or limits me from being physically active		14%	13%	14%

Servings of vegetables and fruit

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
27.During the past 7 days, how many times did you eat fruits or vegetables? (Do not count fruit juice, French Fries, fried potatoes or potato chips.)	0 times the past 7 days	2%	2%	2%
	1 to 3 times the past 7 days	15%	16%	15%
	4 to 6 times the past 7 days	22%	21%	21%
	1 time per day	11%	12%	11%
	2 times per day	22%	24%	23%
	3 times per day	15%	13%	14%
	4 or more times per day	13%	12%	13%

Eating breakfast

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
28.During the past 7 days, how many days did you eat breakfast?	0 days	6%	8%	7%
	1 day	4%	5%	5%
	2 days	7%	8%	7%
	3 days	6%	7%	7%
	4 days	6%	7%	7%
	5 days	8%	9%	9%
	6 days	10%	9%	10%
	7 days	52%	45%	49%

Sugary and caffeinated drink consumption

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
30.During the past 7 days, how many times did you drink a can, bottle, cup or glass of a "sugary" drink, like Gatorade, soda or pop, lemonade, a latte, a Frappuccino, Snapple or any other drink with sugar added?,	0 times the past 7 days	15%	16%	16%
	1 to 3 times the past 7 days	55%	54%	54%
	4 to 6 times the past 7 days	13%	15%	14%
	1 time per day	7%	7%	7%
	2 times per day	5%	4%	5%
	3 times per day	2%	2%	2%
	4 or more times per day	2%	3%	3%
31.During the past 7 days, how many times did you drink something with caffeine such as coffee, coffee drinks, energy drinks or soda with caffeine?	0 times the past 7 days	48%	44%	46%
	1 to 3 times the past 7 days	38%	40%	39%
	4 to 6 times the past 7 days	6%	7%	7%
	1 time per day	4%	5%	5%
	2 times per day	2%	2%	2%
	3 times per day	1%	1%	1%
	4 or more times per day	1%	2%	1%

Sleep

School nights up past 11pm

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
19.On average, how many school nights (Sunday-Thurs) a week are you awake past 11pm?	0 school nights	37%	27%	32%
	1 school night	20%	19%	19%
	2 school nights	16%	17%	17%
	3 school nights	10%	13%	11%
	4 school nights	5%	7%	6%
	Every school night	12%	17%	14%

Car Safety

Car seatbelt use

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
34.How often do you wear a seat belt when driving or riding in a car?	Never	1%	1%	1%
	Rarely	2%	2%	2%
	Sometimes	4%	5%	4%
	Most of the time	18%	19%	18%
	Always	75%	73%	74%

Parent Monitoring and Interest

Evening meals with family

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
22.In an average week, how many days do you eat evening meals with your family?	0 days	5%	7%	6%
	1 day	4%	4%	4%
	2 days	6%	7%	6%
	3 days	8%	9%	8%
	4 days	9%	10%	9%
	5 days	13%	13%	13%
	6 days	13%	13%	13%
	7 days	43%	37%	40%

Parents monitor school progress

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
23(f). My parents . . . : Monitor my school progress.	Always	57%	56%	57%
	Often	27%	27%	27%
	Sometimes	13%	14%	14%
	Never	3%	3%	3%

Parent guidance and structure

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
23(a). My parents . . . : Know where I am when I go out.	Always	77%	74%	76%
	Often	19%	21%	20%
	Sometimes	3%	5%	4%
	Never	1%	1%	1%
23(b). My parents . . . : Set clear rules about what I can and cannot do.	Always	64%	62%	63%
	Often	25%	26%	26%
	Sometimes	9%	10%	10%
	Never	1%	2%	2%
23(d). My parents . . . : Have consequences if I break rules.	Always	62%	61%	62%
	Often	23%	24%	24%
	Sometimes	12%	12%	12%
	Never	3%	2%	3%

Parent guidance and structure SCALE

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
Parents provide structure scale	Strongly Agree	81%	78%	79%
	Agree	14%	16%	15%
	Disagree	4%	5%	4%
	Strongly Disagree	1%	1%	1%

Parent interest/support

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
23(c). My parents . . . : Have talked with me about my future plans.	Always	32%	42%	37%
	Often	24%	26%	25%
	Sometimes	35%	26%	31%
	Never	9%	6%	8%
23(e). My parents . . . : Encourage me to do well.	Always	84%	81%	83%
	Often	11%	12%	11%
	Sometimes	4%	5%	5%
	Never	1%	1%	1%
23(g). My parents . . . : Talk with me about things that bother me.	Always	36%	34%	35%
	Often	25%	25%	25%
	Sometimes	27%	29%	28%
	Never	11%	13%	12%

Parents show interest SCALE

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
Parents show interest scale	Strongly Agree	52%	56%	54%
	Agree	32%	28%	30%
	Disagree	12%	12%	12%
	Strongly Disagree	4%	4%	4%

Talks with parents

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
46(a). Waiting to have sex	Yes	33%	42%	38%
	No	67%	58%	62%
46(b). Healthy dating relationships	Yes	52%	60%	56%
	No	48%	40%	44%
46(d). Sexually transmitted infections	Yes	30%	37%	33%
	No	70%	63%	67%

Parents and Adverse Childhood Experiences

Parent issues

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
24(b). My parent has been in prison or jail.	Yes	9%	9%	9%
	No	85%	85%	85%
	Don't know	6%	5%	6%
24(c). My parent has hit me, leaving bruises, marks or any kind of injury.	Yes	5%	6%	5%
	No	92%	91%	91%
	Don't know	3%	4%	4%
24(d). My parent gets drunk at least once a week.	Yes	5%	6%	6%
	No	88%	87%	88%
	Don't know	7%	6%	6%
24(f). My parent abuses prescription or nonprescription drugs.	Yes	1%	1%	1%
	No	96%	96%	96%
	Don't know	3%	3%	3%
24(g). My parents physically fight with each other.	Yes	2%	1%	2%
	No	95%	95%	95%
	Don't know	4%	4%	4%
24(a). My parent has a mental health problem that worries me.	Yes	5%	6%	5%
	No	86%	85%	86%
	Don't know	9%	9%	9%

Adverse Childhood Experiences Scale

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
Adverse Childhood Experience (all parent ACE's added)	No ACEs	82%	80%	81%
	One ACEs	13%	13%	13%
	Two ACEs	3%	4%	4%
	Three ACEs	1%	2%	1%
	Four ACEs	0%	1%	1%
	Five ACEs	0%	0%	0%
	Six ACEs	0%	0%	0%
	Seven ACEs	0%	0%	0%

Access to a Gun

Do you have access to a gun?

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
72.Do you have access to a gun?	Yes	23%	24%	24%
	No	70%	69%	69%
	Not Sure	7%	7%	7%

Emotional and Mental Health: Anxiety

Anxiety symptoms experienced past 30 days

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
37(a). Felt nervous, anxious or on edge.	Always	8%	12%	10%
	Often	19%	23%	21%
	Sometimes	44%	43%	44%
	Not at all	28%	22%	25%
37(b). Not been able to stop or control worrying.	Always	8%	10%	9%
	Often	12%	16%	14%
	Sometimes	27%	27%	27%
	Not at all	54%	47%	50%
37(c). Felt problems were piling up so high that you could not handle them	Always	7%	10%	9%
	Often	11%	16%	13%
	Sometimes	25%	26%	26%
	Not at all	57%	48%	52%
37(d). Worried too much about different things	Always	10%	13%	12%
	Often	16%	20%	18%
	Sometimes	32%	32%	32%
	Not at all	41%	35%	38%
37(e). Had trouble relaxing	Always	8%	11%	9%
	Often	12%	16%	14%
	Sometimes	30%	30%	30%
	Not at all	50%	43%	47%
37(f). Been so restless that it is hard to sit still	Always	8%	10%	9%
	Often	11%	14%	12%
	Sometimes	23%	23%	23%
	Not at all	58%	53%	56%
37(g). Become easily annoyed or irritable	Always	14%	17%	16%
	Often	21%	24%	22%
	Sometimes	36%	34%	35%
	Not at all	29%	25%	27%
37(h). Felt afraid as if something awful might happen	Always	10%	11%	11%
	Often	11%	13%	12%
	Sometimes	26%	25%	26%
	Not at all	53%	51%	52%

DCYA Anxiety Measure (SCALE)

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
DCYA Anxiety Scale (3 items)	Always	9%	12%	10%
	Often	11%	15%	13%
	Sometimes	21%	21%	21%
	Not at all	60%	52%	56%

Causes of stress and anxiety

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
38(a).I really don't experience much stress or anxiety	Really don't experience anxiety	38%	30%	34%
38(b).Pressure to have money, have things (phone, clothes, car)	Yes	7%	9%	8%
38(c).Too much homework	Yes	43%	50%	46%
38(d). Social pressure to be popular, look good	Yes	19%	22%	21%
38(e). Pressure to perform in school (hard classes, getting good grades)	Yes	39%	48%	43%
38(f). Feeling like I don't fit in at school	Yes	17%	18%	18%
38(g). Pressure to get into a good college	Yes	13%	17%	15%
38(h). Problems at home	Yes	12%	15%	13%
38(i) Problems in the U.S., the world	Yes	13%	15%	14%
38(j). Fear of deportation for me or family members	Yes	4%	4%	4%

Emotional and Mental Health: Depression and Self-Harm

Depression: Feeling sad and hopeless

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
39.During the past 12 months, did you ever feel so sad or hopeless almost every day for at least two weeks in a row that you stopped doing some usual activities?	Yes	15%	20%	18%
	No	85%	80%	82%

Suicide ideation

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
41.During the past 12 months, have you thought seriously about killing yourself?	No	82%	78%	80%
	Yes, but rarely	12%	13%	13%
	Yes, some of the time	4%	6%	5%
	Yes, almost all the time	2%	2%	2%

Suicide attempts

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
42.During the past 12 months, have you attempted to kill yourself?	No	95%	95%	95%
	Yes, 1 time	3%	4%	3%
	Yes, more than 1 time	1%	2%	2%

Self-harm

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
43.During the past 12 months, how many times did you do something to hurt yourself on purpose, without wanting to die, such as cutting or burning yourself?	0 times	86%	84%	85%
	1 to 2 times	9%	10%	9%
	3 or more times	4%	7%	5%

Emotional and Mental Health: Services

Mental health services

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
40..Are you currently receiving professional mental health services?	No, I'm not receiving mental health services	89%	87%	88%
	Yes, I'm receiving mental health services outside of school	7%	10%	9%
	Yes, I'm receiving mental health services at school	1%	1%	1%
	Yes, I'm receiving mental health services both at school and outside of school	3%	2%	3%

Sexual Behavior

Voluntarily engaged in sexual contact

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
44.Have you ever voluntarily had sexual contact with another person?	Yes	3%	7%	5%
	No	97%	93%	95%

Tobacco and Nicotine

Electronic vapor cigarettes past 30 days?

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
47.During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use an electronic vapor product? (Electronic vapor products include e-cigarettes, e-cigars, Juuling e-pipes, vape pipes, vaping pens, e-hookahs and hookah pens.)	Yes	2%	5%	4%
	No	98%	95%	96%

Tobacco use past 30 days?

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
48.During the past 30 days, did you use any other tobacco products, including cigarettes, little cigars, flavored cigarettes, chewing tobacco or water pipe?	Yes	1%	2%	1%
	No	99%	98%	99%

Source of tobacco products

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
49. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your tobacco products?	I did not smoke cigarettes in the last 30 days.	98%	98%	98%
	Bought them from a store - convenience store, supermarket, discount store or gas station	0%	0%	0%
	On the internet	0%	0%	0%
	Gave someone else money to buy them for me	0%	0%	0%
	Borrowed (or bummed) them from someone else	0%	0%	0%
	A person 18 years old or older gave them to me	0%	0%	0%
	Took them from a store or family member	0%	0%	0%
	Got them some other way	0%	1%	1%

Alcohol Use

Alcohol use past 12 months

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
50. In the past 12 months how many times did you drink alcohol?	Never, not at all	95%	90%	92%
	Less than 1 time per month	4%	8%	6%
	1 time per month or more	1%	3%	2%

Sources of alcohol

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
52. In the past 12 months where did you usually get the alcohol you drank?	I didn't drink in the last 12 months	95%	89%	92%
	Buy it myself	0%	0%	0%
	My parents	3%	4%	3%
	My brother/sister	0%	1%	0%
	Other adults	0%	1%	1%
	Sneak it from home	0%	1%	1%
	Get it at parties with my friends	0%	1%	1%
	Someone else buys it for me	0%	0%	0%
	Steal it from a store	0%	0%	0%
	Get it some other way	1%	2%	1%

Alcohol use past 30 days

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
51(a). Have at least 1 drink of alcohol (more than a few sips).	0 days	97%	94%	96%
	1 to 2 days	2%	5%	3%
	3 to 6 days	0%	1%	0%
	7 or more days	0%	1%	0%
51(b). Have 5 or more alcoholic drinks at one time, in a row, within a couple of hours.	0 days	99%	98%	99%
	1 to 2 days	0%	1%	1%
	3 to 6 days	0%	0%	0%
	7 or more days	0%	0%	0%

Marijuana Use

Marijuana use past 12 months

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
53.In the past 12 months, how many times did you use marijuana?	Never, not at al	98%	95%	97%
	Less than 1 time per month	1%	2%	2%
	1 time per month or more	1%	2%	2%

Marijuana use past 30 days

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
54.In the past 30 days, on how many days did you use marijuana?	0 days	98%	97%	98%
	1 to 2 days	1%	2%	1%
	3 to 6 days	0%	1%	1%
	7 or more days	0%	1%	1%

Drug Use

Prescription medications in the home

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
56.Access to prescription drugs in your home.	There are no prescription drugs in my home.	30%	26%	28%
	Prescription drugs in my home are locked up in a secure place.	26%	25%	25%
	Prescription drugs are kept in a place I can access, like the bathroom cabinet or kitchen counter.	44%	49%	47%

Drug use past 30 days

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
55(a). A prescription drug without a doctor's prescription	0 days	94%	93%	93%
	1 to 2 days	4%	4%	4%
	3 to 6 days	1%	2%	1%
	7 or more days	1%	1%	1%
55(b). Over the counter medication (such as cough syrup) in a way other than it was intended	0 days	96%	95%	95%
	1 to 2 days	3%	3%	3%
	3 to 6 days	1%	1%	1%
	7 or more days	1%	1%	1%
55(c). In the past 30 days, how many times have you used the following? Inhalant (like glue, paint, spray cans, markers)	0 days	95%	97%	96%
	1 to 2 days	4%	2%	3%
	3 to 6 days	1%	1%	1%
	7 or more days	1%	1%	1%

Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Perceptions

How much do people risk harming themselves when they . . . ?

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
59(a). Smoke 1 or more packs of cigarettes per day	No Risk	10%	8%	9%
	Slight Risk	9%	9%	9%
	Moderate Risk	20%	21%	20%
	Great Risk	61%	62%	61%
59(b). Have 5 or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week.	No Risk	11%	9%	10%
	Slight Risk	12%	13%	13%
	Moderate Risk	27%	32%	29%
	Great Risk	50%	47%	48%
59(c). Smoke marijuana once or twice a week	No Risk	13%	13%	13%
	Slight Risk	14%	20%	17%
	Moderate Risk	24%	28%	26%
	Great Risk	49%	39%	44%
59(d). Take prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription	No Risk	11%	8%	9%
	Slight Risk	10%	11%	11%
	Moderate Risk	23%	25%	24%
	Great Risk	57%	56%	56%
59(e). Use e-cigarettes or other vaping products daily	No Risk	11%	13%	12%
	Slight Risk	19%	27%	23%
	Moderate Risk	27%	28%	27%
	Great Risk	44%	33%	38%

How wrong do your parents feel it is for you to . . . ?

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
57(a). Use marijuana	Not Wrong	2%	3%	3%
	A Little Wrong	2%	5%	3%
	Wrong	8%	13%	10%
	Very Wrong	85%	77%	81%
	No Sure	2%	3%	3%
57(b). Use tobacco	Not Wrong	2%	2%	2%
	A Little Wrong	1%	2%	2%
	Wrong	8%	12%	10%
	Very Wrong	87%	82%	85%
	No Sure	2%	2%	2%
57(c). Drink alcohol	Not Wrong	4%	5%	5%
	A Little Wrong	8%	10%	9%
	Wrong	18%	21%	19%
	Very Wrong	67%	61%	64%
	No Sure	3%	3%	3%
57(d). Take prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription	Not Wrong	2%	3%	2%
	A Little Wrong	2%	3%	3%
	Wrong	10%	11%	10%
	Very Wrong	83%	81%	82%
	No Sure	2%	2%	2%
57(e). Drink alcohol regularly (1 or 2 drinks nearly every day)	Not Wrong	2%	2%	2%
	A Little Wrong	2%	2%	2%
	Wrong	8%	10%	9%
	Very Wrong	85%	83%	84%
	No Sure	3%	2%	2%

How wrong do your friends think these behaviors are. . . ?

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
60(a). How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to . . . Drink alcohol	Not Wrong	4%	6%	5%
	A Little Wrong	8%	14%	11%
	Wrong	25%	28%	26%
	Very Wrong	63%	52%	57%
60(b). Use tobacco	Not Wrong	3%	4%	3%
	A Little Wrong	4%	8%	6%
	Wrong	21%	25%	23%
	Very Wrong	72%	63%	68%
60(c). Use marijuana	Not Wrong	5%	8%	6%
	A Little Wrong	5%	10%	8%
	Wrong	18%	22%	20%
	Very Wrong	72%	59%	66%
60(d). Take prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription.	Not Wrong	3%	3%	3%
	A Little Wrong	5%	7%	6%
	Wrong	21%	25%	23%
	Very Wrong	71%	65%	68%
60(e). Drink alcohol regularly (1 or 2 drinks nearly every day)	Not Wrong	6%	7%	6%
	A Little Wrong	9%	10%	9%
	Wrong	19%	22%	21%
	Very Wrong	65%	59%	62%
	No Sure	1%	2%	1%

How many people your age do you think. . . ?

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
58(a). How many people your age do you think... Drink alcohol.	0-25%	71%	55%	63%
	26-50%	21%	32%	27%
	51-75%	6%	11%	8%
	76-100%	2%	2%	2%
58(b). Use marijuana.	0-25%	68%	49%	58%
	26-50%	20%	30%	25%
	51-75%	9%	17%	13%
	76-100%	4%	5%	4%
58(c). Use tobacco.	0-25%	68%	59%	63%
	26-50%	22%	27%	24%
	51-75%	8%	11%	10%
	76-100%	3%	3%	3%
58(d). Take prescription drugs without a doctor's prescription	0-25%	60%	55%	58%
	26-50%	19%	24%	21%
	51-75%	10%	11%	10%
	76-100%	11%	10%	11%

School and Education

Grades in school

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
61.What are the average grades you usually get in school?	Mostly A's	38%	38%	38%
	Half A's & half B's	37%	34%	35%
	Mostly B's	9%	11%	10%
	Half B's & half C's	11%	11%	11%
	Mostly C's	2%	2%	2%
	Half C's & half D's	2%	2%	2%
	Mostly D's	0%	0%	0%
	Mostly below D's	0%	1%	0%

Special education

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
65.Do you currently receive special education support or have an IEP?	Yes	7%	8%	7%
	No	78%	81%	80%
	Don't know	16%	11%	13%

Connections to school

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
62(a). The rules and expectations are clearly explained.	Strongly Agree	30%	27%	28%
	Agree	57%	58%	57%
	Disagree	11%	13%	12%
	Strongly Disagree	3%	3%	3%
62(b). I feel close to people in my school.	Strongly Agree	30%	25%	27%
	Agree	50%	51%	50%
	Disagree	15%	18%	17%
	Strongly Disagree	5%	6%	5%
62(c). I feel safe at my school.	Strongly Agree	28%	22%	25%
	Agree	51%	54%	53%
	Disagree	15%	18%	16%
	Strongly Disagree	6%	7%	6%
62(d). Teachers and other adults treat students fairly.	Strongly Agree	24%	18%	21%
	Agree	46%	47%	46%
	Disagree	21%	25%	23%
	Strongly Disagree	9%	10%	9%
62(e). There are adults I can talk to at school if I have a problem	Strongly Agree	32%	26%	29%
	Agree	48%	49%	49%
	Disagree	13%	17%	15%
	Strongly Disagree	7%	8%	7%
62(f). I feel like I belong at this school.	Strongly Agree	26%	22%	24%
	Agree	48%	50%	49%
	Disagree	17%	19%	18%
	Strongly Disagree	9%	9%	9%

Feeling connected to school (SCALE)

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
Connected to school scale	Strongly Agree	32%	26%	29%
	Agree	47%	49%	48%
	Disagree	17%	21%	19%
	Strongly Disagree	3%	4%	4%

Skipping or cutting class

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	
Dane County Grades 7-8		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
68.In the past 30 days, how often have you skipped or cut class	Never	92%	91%	92%
	1 or 2 times per month	6%	7%	6%
	More than 1 or 2 times per month	2%	2%	2%

Suspensions during past school year

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
69(a). In-school suspension	0 times	94%	93%	93%
	1 time	4%	4%	4%
	2 times	1%	1%	1%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	1%
69(b). Out-of-school suspension	0 times	97%	96%	96%
	1 time	2%	2%	2%
	2 times	1%	1%	1%
	3 or more times	1%	1%	1%

This school year how many times have you seen this happen at school?

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
67(a). Using drugs or alcohol	Never	87%	78%	83%
	1 to 2 times	10%	16%	13%
	3 to 4 times	2%	3%	2%
	5 or more times	1%	3%	2%
67(b). Selling or distributing drugs	Never	89%	85%	87%
	1 to 2 times	9%	12%	11%
	3 to 4 times	1%	1%	1%
	5 or more times	1%	1%	1%
67(c). Carrying weapons	Never	85%	78%	82%
	1 to 2 times	10%	14%	12%
	3 to 4 times	2%	3%	3%
	5 or more times	2%	4%	3%
67(d). Gang activity	Never	44%	43%	43%
	1 to 2 times	29%	27%	28%
	3 to 4 times	12%	13%	12%
	5 or more times	16%	17%	16%
67(e). Bullying other students	Never	66%	63%	65%
	1 to 2 times	19%	20%	19%
	3 to 4 times	7%	8%	7%
	5 or more times	8%	9%	9%
67(f). Name calling based on a person's race, sexual orientation or gender	Never	46%	39%	42%
	1 to 2 times	28%	27%	28%
	3 to 4 times	11%	14%	12%
	5 or more times	15%	20%	18%
67(g). School staff using "put downs" to students	Never	72%	66%	69%
	1 to 2 times	19%	21%	20%
	3 to 4 times	4%	7%	5%
	5 or more times	5%	6%	5%

Homework

		2.What grade are you in?		All Students % of Group
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	
Dane County Grades 7-8				
63. I struggle getting my homework done.	Strongly Agree	10%	11%	11%
	Agree	25%	29%	27%
	Disagree	45%	43%	44%
	Strongly Disagree	21%	17%	19%

Reasons for struggling with homework

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
64(a): There's too much homework	Strongly Agree	23%	23%	23%
	Agree	36%	40%	38%
	Disagree	33%	31%	32%
	Strongly Disagree	8%	6%	7%
64(b). The homework is too hard, can't figure it out	Strongly Agree	12%	11%	12%
	Agree	31%	33%	32%
	Disagree	45%	46%	45%
	Strongly Disagree	12%	9%	11%
64(c). Too many other responsibilities (job, sports, friends, etc.)	Strongly Agree	18%	18%	18%
	Agree	38%	41%	39%
	Disagree	33%	32%	33%
	Strongly Disagree	11%	9%	10%
64(d). Difficult to get help when I need it	Strongly Agree	12%	12%	12%
	Agree	26%	28%	27%
	Disagree	44%	45%	44%
	Strongly Disagree	18%	15%	17%
64(e). Too tired	Strongly Agree	20%	23%	21%
	Agree	38%	43%	40%
	Disagree	30%	25%	27%
	Strongly Disagree	12%	10%	11%

Gang membership

Gang involvement

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
70.Are you a member of a gang?	No, and I have never been asked or pressured to join	81%	83%	82%
	No, but I have been asked or pressured to join	14%	12%	13%
	I was in a gang, but am no longer	4%	3%	3%
	Yes, I am currently in a gang	1%	1%	1%
	Yes, I'm currently in a gang and want to get out	0%	0%	0%

Friends in a gang

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
71.Are any of your close friends members of a gang?	Yes	5%	7%	6%
	No	77%	76%	77%
	Not Sure	17%	17%	17%

Bullying and Victimization

Victim of bullying past 30 days

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
73(a). Someone made unwanted sexual comments to me.	Never	85%	81%	83%
	1 to 2 times	11%	14%	13%
	3 to 4 times	2%	3%	2%
	5 or more times	2%	2%	2%
73(b). I got hit and pushed by other students.	Never	70%	72%	71%
	1 to 2 times	23%	21%	22%
	3 to 4 times	4%	4%	4%
	5 or more times	3%	4%	3%
73(d). Other students picked on me.	Never	68%	70%	69%
	1 to 2 times	22%	20%	21%
	3 to 4 times	5%	5%	5%
	5 or more times	5%	5%	5%
73(i). Other students made fun of me.	Never	66%	67%	66%
	1 to 2 times	23%	22%	23%
	3 to 4 times	6%	6%	6%
	5 or more times	5%	5%	5%
73(k). Other students called me names.	Never	71%	73%	72%
	1 to 2 times	19%	17%	18%
	3 to 4 times	5%	5%	5%
	5 or more times	5%	5%	5%
73(h). I told someone to stop harassing another student.	Never	66%	66%	66%
	1 to 2 times	26%	26%	26%
	3 to 4 times	5%	6%	5%
	5 or more times	3%	3%	3%

Espelage victim of bullying SCALE

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th	8th	% of Group
		% of Group	% of Group	% of Group
Espelage victim scale (past 30 days)	Never	50%	52%	51%
	1 or 2 times	30%	30%	30%
	3 to 4 times	10%	9%	9%
	5 or more	10%	9%	10%

Bullying behavior past 30 days

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
73(c) In a group I made fun of other students.	Never	82%	80%	81%
	1 to 2 times	14%	15%	14%
	3 to 4 times	2%	2%	2%
	5 or more times	2%	2%	2%
73(e). I upset other students for the fun of it.	Never	90%	88%	89%
	1 to 2 times	8%	9%	9%
	3 to 4 times	1%	1%	1%
	5 or more times	1%	1%	1%
73(f). I started arguments or conflicts.	Never	74%	72%	73%
	1 to 2 times	20%	22%	21%
	3 to 4 times	4%	4%	4%
	5 or more times	2%	2%	2%
73(g).I spread rumors about other people.	Never	87%	87%	87%
	1 to 2 times	11%	11%	11%
	3 to 4 times	1%	2%	1%
	5 or more times	1%	1%	1%
73(j). I excluded other students from my group of friends.	Never	83%	83%	83%
	1 to 2 times	13%	13%	13%
	3 to 4 times	2%	2%	2%
	5 or more times	2%	2%	2%
73(l). I helped harass other students.	Never	93%	92%	92%
	1 to 2 times	6%	6%	6%
	3 to 4 times	1%	1%	1%
	5 or more times	1%	1%	1%

In the past 12 months, have you been bullied, threaten or harassed ?

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
74(a). Through the internet or text messaging.	Never	82%	80%	81%
	Rarely	11%	12%	12%
	Sometimes	5%	6%	5%
	Often	2%	3%	2%
74(b). By others thinking you're gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender	Never	87%	86%	87%
	Rarely	7%	7%	7%
	Sometimes	4%	4%	4%
	Often	2%	3%	2%
74(c). About your race or ethnic background.	Never	90%	88%	89%
	Rarely	5%	6%	6%
	Sometimes	3%	4%	3%
	Often	1%	2%	2%
74(d). About your immigration status	Never	96%	95%	96%
	Rarely	2%	3%	3%
	Sometimes	1%	1%	1%
	Often	1%	1%	1%
74(e). About your political views	Never	89%	86%	88%
	Rarely	7%	8%	7%
	Sometimes	2%	4%	3%
	Often	2%	2%	2%
74(f). About how you look.	Never	63%	61%	62%
	Rarely	21%	21%	21%
	Sometimes	10%	11%	11%
	Often	6%	6%	6%

Adult Connections and Community

Community experience

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
75(a). I can ask my neighbors for help.	Strongly Agree	34%	28%	31%
	Agree	43%	43%	43%
	Disagree	15%	19%	17%
	Strongly Disagree	9%	10%	9%
75(b). If I had to move, I would miss my neighborhood.	Strongly Agree	42%	35%	39%
	Agree	35%	38%	37%
	Disagree	16%	17%	16%
	Strongly Disagree	7%	9%	8%
75(c). I feel safe in my neighborhood.	Strongly Agree	46%	42%	44%
	Agree	45%	47%	46%
	Disagree	6%	8%	7%
	Strongly Disagree	3%	3%	3%
75(d). My neighbors are friendly to me.	Strongly Agree	49%	42%	46%
	Agree	43%	48%	46%
	Disagree	6%	7%	6%
	Strongly Disagree	2%	3%	3%
75(e). I can count on the police if I need them.	Strongly Agree	45%	39%	42%
	Agree	43%	45%	44%
	Disagree	9%	10%	9%
	Strongly Disagree	4%	6%	5%
75(f). I help my neighbors.	Strongly Agree	30%	25%	27%
	Agree	40%	43%	42%
	Disagree	16%	18%	17%
	Strongly Disagree	6%	6%	6%

Adult support

Dane County Grades 7-8		2.What grade are you in?		All Students
		7th % of Group	8th % of Group	% of Group
76. Not counting your parents, how many adults can you rely on if you have a problem and need help?	No other adults available	6%	7%	7%
	At least one other adult	10%	13%	12%
	At least two	28%	28%	28%
	At least three	10%	12%	11%
	Four or more adults	45%	39%	42%