## 2018 Martha's Vineyard Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS)

Middle School and High School Results


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## Introduction

The 2018 Martha's Vineyard Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) was adapted from the national Youth Risk Behavior Survey administered by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and was also administered in 2010, 2012, 2014, and 2016. Questions in the survey gather student demographic data, substance use, and general health. In order to better assess the misconceptions of student substance use and behavior, social norms questions (adapted from the Most of Us Teen Norms Survey) were included in the survey administered on Martha's Vineyard. For the 2012, 2014, 2016, and 2018 surveys, a conscious effort was made to minimize the length of the Martha's Vineyard YRBS. Many questions asked in the 2010 administration were removed for 2012 and beyond.

## Consent

Parental consent for student participation was collected prior to survey administration. This consent was gathered via a letter sent home to all parents/guardians of Martha's Vineyard High School (HS) and Middle School (MS) students. The letter described the survey and its purpose, informed them of how they might access a copy of the survey should they choose to view the form, and offered parents a chance to opt their child/children out of the survey. Additionally, students were instructed through a script read aloud to them (and through written instructions on the form itself) to skip over any questions that they did not feel comfortable answering, and they were also given several chances to opt out of the survey on their own.

## Administering the Survey

Teachers were provided with a set of instructions to guide them through the administration process, and were given a script to read aloud to students at the beginning of a class period. On the day of the survey, each teacher read the script aloud to his/her students, assuring students that the survey was voluntary (a student was free to choose to skip questions or refrain from taking the survey entirely) and that the survey was completely confidential and anonymous (a student could not be identified from his/her answer sheet and there would be no way for a school to trace a form back to the students).

## Sample

The survey was given to middle school and high school students during regularly scheduled class. It was administered in March 2018. The final number and demographic profile of students surveyed are discussed in the "Survey Demographics" section of this report.

## Scanning and Data Cleaning

Surveys were returned to Bach Harrison LLC utilizing trackable prepaid FedEx shipping labels. Upon arriving to Bach Harrison, surveys were logged and processed using scanners equipped with Optical Mark Recognition software. When a complete dataset was available, the final dataset was cleaned to remove blank surveys, surveys that did not include enough responses to make them valid, and surveys that were deemed to be "dishonest" by meeting one or more of Bach Harrison's validity checks. See "Honesty" section for more information.

## Honesty

A total of 840 Martha's Vineyard middle and high school students completed the YRBS survey. Of these, 56 surveys were eliminated due to meeting one or more of the validity checks established by Bach Harrison (designed to match the checks used in the 2010 administration). In looking at each of the validity checks individually:

- 33 students indicated they were not honest in completing the survey.
- 23 students indicated that they had used the "fake drug" of the survey.
- 5 students indicated a 30 -day cigarette use rate that was higher than their lifetime cigarette use rate.
- 4 students indicated a 30 -day smokeless tobacco use rate that was higher than their lifetime smokeless tobacco use rate.
- 6 students indicated a 30 -day alcohol use rate that was higher than their lifetime alcohol use rate.

Please note that some surveys were deemed to be dishonest due to meeting more than one of these validity checks. The individual honesty checks above will not total 56 if added together. For more information regarding honesty, please see the Perceived Honesty section in this report.

Table 1: Student Dishonesty

|  | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Self-Indicated that they were dishonest | 1 | 0.3\% | 29 | 5.1\% | 3 | 1.2\% | 13 | 2.3\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 15 | 2.9\% | 8 | 2.7\% | 25 | 5.0\% |
| Indicated use of the "Fake drug" of the survey | 4 | 1.3\% | 30 | 5.3\% | 3 | 1.2\% | 10 | 1.7\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 5 | 0.9\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 20 | 4.0\% |
| Indicated a 30-day cigarette use rate that was higher than their lifetime use rate (using age of initiation) | 1 | 0.3\% | 3 | 0.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 0.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.0\% |
| Indicated a 30-day smokeless tobacco use rate that was higher than their lifetime use rate | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 0.8\% |
| Indicated a 30-day alcohol use rate that was higher than their lifetime alcohol use rate (using age of initiation) | 3 | 1.0\% | 6 | 1.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 5 | 1.0\% |
| Indicated a 30-day marijuana use rate that was higher than their lifetime marijuana use rate (using age of initiation) | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Total students meeting one or more honesty checks | 8 | 2.6\% | 53 | 9.2\% | 7 | 2.7\% | 29 | 5.0\% | 8 | 2.7\% | 22 | 3.9\% | 9 | 2.9\% | 47 | 8.9\% |

## Data Analysis

Once the dataset was cleaned and dishonest surveys removed, two crosstab reports were run (one by grade and one by middle school and high school groups) to show the number and percent of students responding to each question and response option. Survey data does not account for students who may have skipped a question, and frequencies and percentages only reflect those who answered the question. An attempt was made to survey all of the students in grades 7 through 12 in Martha's Vineyard, with the intent to focus data analysis on middle school (Grades 7 and 8 ) and high school (Grades $9-12$ ) groups. A majority of students in both groups were surveyed ( $94.7 \%$ of the middle school sample and $69.6 \%$ of the high school sample). Enrollment figures provided from the Youth Task Force show the following basic enrollment and participation information:

## Enrollment and Participation

## Middle School

Number of enrolled students: 318
Number of honest participants: 301
Percent of sampled students surveyed: $94.7 \%$

## High School

Number of enrolled students: 694
Number of honest participants: 483
Percent of sampled students surveyed: 69.6\%

## Survey Respondent Demographics

The tables on page 5 display demographics data for the survey respondents represented in this report. For the 2018 Martha's Vineyard YRBS Survey, 301 middle school students (of 318 enrolled) completed the survey honestly and 483 high school students (of 694 enrolled) completed the survey honestly. Further, for the YRBS, $51.5 \%$ of respondents were male, $47.1 \%$ were female, $0.6 \%$ were transgender, and $0.8 \%$ were non-binary/gender non-conforming. Of all survey respondents, $71.0 \%$ were White (Not Hispanic), $15.7 \%$ were Brazilian, $7.0 \%$ were African American (Not Hispanic), $6.1 \%$ were bi-racial, 4.5\% were Native American, $4.6 \%$ were Hispanic, $2.2 \%$ were Asian/Pacific Islander, and the remaining $4.7 \%$ indicated they belonged to an "Other" race (See Tables 2 and 3 for further information about race/ethnicity for the middle school and high school groups). There was a nice spread of participation across the ages, with most respondents falling in the 13-17 age group.

## Survey Respondent Perceived Honesty

The YRBS asked students "Do you think students in your grade at school answered questions on this survey honestly?" (response options were "yes" and "no"). Table 4 and Figure 1 on page 6 display perceived peer honesty compared to actual honesty. While only $6.6 \%$ of student surveys were deemed to be dishonest through meeting one or more validity checks, it is interesting to note that $37.8 \%$ of middle school students and $56.8 \%$ of high school students believed their peers were not being honest in taking the survey. Of all of the surveys eliminated due to dishonesty, a majority of them ( 47 of 56) came from the high school group. However, despite this observation, a mere $6.6 \%$ were actually dishonest in taking the survey, while nearly half ( $49.4 \%$ ) of students in this group felt their peers were not being honest.

Table 2: Demographics of Middle School and High School Survey Participants


Distribution of Middle School Students by Grade

| Distribution of Middle School Students by Grade |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7th graders | 151 | 49.8\% | 120 | 47.8\% | 142 | 49.3\% | 153 | 50.8\% |
| 8th graders | 152 | 50.2\% | 131 | 52.2\% | 146 | 50.7\% | 148 | 49.2\% |
| TOTAL | 303 | 100.0\% | 251 | 100.0\% | 288 | 100.0\% | 301 | 100\% |
| Distribution of Middle School Students by Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 143 | 47.8\% | 134 | 54.0\% | 134 | 47.5\% | 165 | 55.0\% |
| Female | 156 | 52.2\% | 114 | 46.0\% | 148 | 52.5\% | 134 | 44.7\% |
| Transgender | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1 | 0.3\% |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Non Binary/ } \\ \text { Gender Non-Conforming } \end{array}$ | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Distribution of Middle School Students by Race/Ethnicity (Students were instructed to mark all that apply. Percentages will not total $100 \%$.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| White - Not Hispanic | 235 | $77.6 \%$ | 194 | $77.3 \%$ | 204 | $70.8 \%$ | 207 | $68.8 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Black Not Hispanic | 27 | $8.9 \%$ | 9 | $3.6 \%$ | 22 | $7.6 \%$ | 24 | $8.0 \%$ |
| American Indian or Alaskan | 26 | $8.6 \%$ | 17 | $6.8 \%$ | 15 | $5.2 \%$ | 18 | $6.0 \%$ |
| Hispanic or Latino | 10 | $3.3 \%$ | 8 | $3.2 \%$ | 14 | $4.9 \%$ | 15 | $5.0 \%$ |
| Asian or Pacific Islander | 6 | $2.0 \%$ | 5 | $2.0 \%$ | 9 | $3.1 \%$ | 7 | $2.3 \%$ |
| Brazilian | 33 | $10.9 \%$ | 24 | $9.6 \%$ | 34 | $11.8 \%$ | 57 | $18.9 \%$ |
| Bi-racial | 12 | $4.0 \%$ | 14 | $5.6 \%$ | 15 | $5.2 \%$ | 17 | $5.6 \%$ |
| Other | 31 | $10.2 \%$ | 17 | $6.8 \%$ | 40 | $13.9 \%$ | 21 | $7.0 \%$ |


| High School (9th through 12 graders) | Distribution of High School Students by Grade |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 9th | 150 | 28.6\% | 177 | 31.9\% | 141 | 26.4\% | 140 | 29.0\% |
|  | 10th | 129 | 24.6\% | 143 | 25.8\% | 135 | 25.2\% | 143 | 29.6\% |
|  | 11th | 141 | 26.9\% | 147 | 26.5\% | 152 | 28.4\% | 107 | 22.2\% |
|  | 12th | 104 | 19.8\% | 87 | 15.7\% | 107 | 20.0\% | 93 | 19.3\% |
|  | TOTAL | 524 | 100.0\% | 554 | 100.0\% | 535 | 100.0\% | 483 | 100\% |
|  | Distribution of High School Students by Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Male | 288 | 55.3\% | 281 | 51.7\% | 266 | 51.9\% | 236 | 49.3\% |
|  | Female | 233 | 44.7\% | 263 | 48.3\% | 247 | 48.1\% | 233 | 48.6\% |
|  | Transgender | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 4 | 0.8\% |
|  | Non Binary/ Gender Non-Conforming | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 6 | 1.3\% |
|  | Distribution of High School Students by Race/Ethnicity (Students were instructed to mark all that apply. Percentages will not total $100 \%$.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | White - Not Hispanic | 424 | 80.9\% | 428 | 77.3\% | 395 | 73.8\% | 350 | 72.5\% |
|  | Black - Not Hispanic | 38 | 7.3\% | 26 | 4.7\% | 37 | 6.9\% | 31 | 6.4\% |
|  | American Indian or Alaskan | 24 | 4.6\% | 25 | 4.5\% | 32 | 6.0\% | 17 | 3.5\% |
|  | Hispanic or Latino | 11 | 2.1\% | 17 | 3.1\% | 22 | 4.1\% | 21 | 4.3\% |
|  | Asian or Pacific Islander | 16 | 3.1\% | 12 | 2.2\% | 11 | 2.1\% | 10 | 2.1\% |
|  | Brazilian | 34 | 6.5\% | 43 | 7.8\% | 64 | 12.0\% | 66 | 13.7\% |
|  | Bi-racial | 29 | 5.5\% | 27 | 4.9\% | 27 | 5.0\% | 31 | 6.4\% |
|  | Other | 37 | 7.1\% | 27 | 4.9\% | 20 | 3.7\% | 16 | 3.3\% |

Table 3: Demographics of Entire Survey Population

|  |  | 2012 |  | 2014 |  | 2016 |  | 2018 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| All <br> Participants (7th through 12th grades) | Distribution of All Martha's Vineyard Participants by Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 11 years old or younger | 2 | 0.2\% | 62 | 7.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
|  | 12 years old | 81 | 9.8\% | 108 | 13.4\% | 50 | 6.1\% | 156 | 7.0\% |
|  | 13 years old | 146 | 17.7\% | 164 | 20.4\% | 150 | 18.2\% | 135 | 19.9\% |
|  | 14 years old | 151 | 18.3\% | 161 | 20.0\% | 140 | 17.0\% | 141 | 17.2\% |
|  | 15 years old | 147 | 17.8\% | 155 | 19.3\% | 127 | 15.4\% | 127 | 18.0\% |
|  | 16 years old | 122 | 14.8\% | 112 | 13.9\% | 154 | 18.7\% | 104 | 16.2\% |
|  | 17 years old | 124 | 15.0\% | 42 | 5.2\% | 123 | 14.9\% | 66 | 13.3\% |
|  | 18 years old or older | 54 | 6.5\% | 804 | 100.0\% | 79 | 9.6\% | 784 | 8.4\% |
|  | Distribution of All Martha's Vineyard Participants by Gender |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Male | 431 | 52.6\% | 415 | 52.4\% | 400 | 50.3\% | 401 | 51.5\% |
|  | Female | 389 | 47.4\% | 377 | 47.6\% | 395 | 49.7\% | 367 | 47.1\% |
|  | Transgender | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 5 | 0.6\% |
|  | Non Binary/Gender NonConforming | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 6 | 0.8\% |
|  | Distribution of All Martha's Vineyard Students by Race/Ethnicity (Students were instructed to mark all that apply. Percentages will not total 100\%.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | White - Not Hispanic | 659 | 79.7\% | 622 | 77.3\% | 599 | 62.3\% | 557 | 71.0\% |
|  | Black - Not Hispanic | 65 | 7.9\% | 35 | 4.3\% | 59 | 6.1\% | 55 | 7.0\% |
|  | American Indian or Alaskan | 50 | 6.0\% | 42 | 5.2\% | 47 | 4.9\% | 35 | 4.5\% |
|  | Hispanic or Latino | 21 | 2.5\% | 25 | 3.1\% | 36 | 3.7\% | 36 | 4.6\% |
|  | Asian or Pacific Islander | 22 | 2.7\% | 17 | 2.1\% | 20 | 2.1\% | 17 | 2.2\% |
|  | Brazilian | 67 | 8.1\% | 67 | 8.3\% | 98 | 10.2\% | 123 | 15.7\% |
|  | Bi-racial | 41 | 5.0\% | 41 | 5.1\% | 42 | 4.4\% | 48 | 6.1\% |
|  | Other | 68 | 8.2\% | 44 | 5.5\% | 60 | 6.2\% | 37 | 4.7\% |

*Students were instructed to mark all that apply. Percentages will not total $100 \%$.

Table 4: Student Honesty Compared to Perceptions of Student Honesty

| Actual Honest/Dishonest Participation | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Middle School } \\ \text { Youth } \\ \text { (7th-8th) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Percent of survey respondents who were deemed to be "Honest" | 301 | 94.4\% | 515 | 90.8 | 251 | 97.3\% | 554 | 95.0\% | 288 | 97.3\% | 535 | 96.1\% | 301 | 97.1\% | 483 | 91.1\% |
| Percent of survey respondents who were deemed to be "Dishonest" through one of the 6 honesty/validity checks. | 8 | 2.6\% | 53 | 9.2\% | 7 | 2.7\% | 29 | 5.0\% | 8 | 2.7\% | 22 | 3.9\% | 9 | 2.9\% | 47 | 8.9\% |
| Perceived Honest Participation: Students responding to the question " Do you think students in your grade at school answered | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
| questions on this survey honestly?" | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Yes | 208 | 71.0\% | 274 | 54.2\% | 160 | 65.0\% | 300 | 57.5\% | 185 | 67.0\% | 277 | 56.2\% | 176 | 62.2\% | 192 | 43.2\% |
| No | 85 | 29.0\% | 232 | 45.8\% | 86 | 35.0\% | 222 | 42.5\% | 91 | 33.0\% | 216 | 43.8\% | 107 | 37.8\% | 252 | 56.8\% |

Figure 1


## Survey Findings: Age of Initiation

The results (Table 5, Figure 2) show that youth begin using alcohol before using any other substance. Of the youth who had used alcohol, the average age of first use for middle schoolers was 11.67 years and for high schoolers
was 13.28 years, closely followed by first cigarette use ( 12.07 for middle school users and 13.45 for high school users), and marijuana use (12.53 years for middle schoolers and 13.5 years for high schoolers).

## Table 5: Age of Initiation

|  | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle <br> School Youth (7th-8th) | High <br> School Youth (9th12th) | Male Students (All Grades 7th12th) | Female Students <br> (All <br> Grades 7th12th) | Middle <br> School Youth (7th-8th) | High <br> School Youth (9th12th) | Male Students (All Grades 7th12th) | Female Students <br> (All <br> Grades <br> 7th- <br> 12th) | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { Middle } \\ \text { School } \\ \text { Youth } \\ (7 \text { th-8th }) \end{array}$ | High <br> School Youth (9th12th) | Male <br> Students (All <br> Grades 7th12th) | Female <br> Students <br> (All <br> Grades <br> 7th- <br> 12th) | Middle <br> School Youth (7th-8th) | High <br> School Youth (9th12th) | Male Students (All Grades 7th- 12th) | Female <br> Students <br> (All <br> Grades <br> 7th- <br> 12th) |
| Age of First Alcohol Use: ("If you have ever tried alcohol, how old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol, other than a few sips?") | 12.1 | 13.3 | 13.2 | 13.1 | 12.25 | 13.36 | 13.19 | 13.27 | 14.00 | 13.32 | 13.47 | 13.37 | 11.67 | 13.28 | 13.21 | 13.25 |
| Age of First Cigarette Use: ("If you have ever smoke, how old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?") | 11.9 | 13.0 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 11.89 | 13.28 | 13.02 | 13.16 | 12.37 | 13.36 | 13.25 | 13.32 | 12.07 | 13.45 | 13.24 | 13.29 |
| Age of First Marijuana Use: ("If you have ever tried marijuana, how old were you when you tried it for the first time?") | 12.3 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 13.4 | 12.52 | 13.20 | 13.06 | 13.24 | 12.38 | 13.40 | 13.31 | 13.39 | 12.52 | 13.50 | 13.18 | 13.64 |

Figure 2


## Survey Findings: Alcohol Use Overview

The data (Table 6, Figure 3) show that $4.4 \%$ of middle school students $(\mathrm{n}=13)$ and $33.5 \%$ of high school students $(\mathrm{n}=159)$ used alcohol at least one day in the past month. While there was no state-level Massachusetts YRBS or National YRBS data to use as a comparison for middle school
youth, comparisons of this data for the high school show that 30-day alcohol use in Martha's Vineyard is 2.1 percentage points higher than state use ( $33.5 \%$ in Martha's Vineyard, $31.4 \%$ in Massachusetts) and $3.7 \%$ higher than national use ( $33.5 \%$ in Martha's Vineyard, $29.8 \%$ in the nation).

Table 6: Alcohol Use Rates: Past-Month Use

| (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol?") | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Did not use in the past 30 days | 278 | 92.7\% | 304 | 58.1\% | 230 | 92.7\% | 360 | 65.1\% | 279 | 98.2\% | 359 | 67.4\% | 283 | 95.6\% | 315 | 66.5\% |
| Used one or more days in the past 30 days | 22 | 7.3\% | 219 | 41.9\% | 18 | 7.3\% | 193 | 34.9\% | 5 | 1.8\% | 174 | 32.6\% | 13 | 4.4\% | 159 | 33.5\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one day): | N/A | N/A | 8,823 | 28.7\% | N/A | N/A | 2,620 | 40.1\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 33.9\% | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | 31.4\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | $N / A$ | N/A | 12,943 | 38.7\% | N/A | N/A | 12,943 | 38.7\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 32.8\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 29.8\% |

Figure 3


## Survey Findings: 30-Day Alcohol Use

The data in Tables 7 and 8 below provide a more in-depth look at 30 -day use frequency and 30 -day binge drinking in Martha's Vineyard. A majority of youth in each group have not used alcohol at all in the past 30 days ( $95.6 \%$ in the middle school group, $66.5 \%$ in the high school group), and one can see that of the other frequency categories, the response most often marked was drinking " 1 or 2 days" in the past month ( $3.0 \%$ of middle
schoolers marked this option, $17.9 \%$ of high schoolers marked this option). As for binge drinking in the past month, high school past-month binge drinking (i.e. drinking 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row within a couple of hours) was higher for Martha's Vineyard high schoolers (21.5\%) than Massachusetts YRBS high schoolers (15.9\%), and National YRBS high schoolers (13.5\%).

Table 7: Frequency of Alcohol Use in the Past Month

| During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 days or not at all | 278 | 92.7\% | 304 | 58.1\% | 230 | 92.7\% | 360 | 65.1\% | 279 | 98.2\% | 359 | 67.4\% | 283 | 95.6\% | 315 | 66.5\% |
| 1 or 2 days | 13 | 4.3\% | 96 | 18.4\% | 11 | 4.4\% | 97 | 17.5\% | 4 | 1.4\% | 92 | 17.3\% | 9 | 3.0\% | 85 | 17.9\% |
| 3 to 5 days | 7 | 2.3\% | 63 | 12.0\% | 5 | 2.0\% | 57 | 10.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 56 | 10.5\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 42 | 8.9\% |
| 6 to 9 days | 2 | 0.7\% | 45 | 8.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 26 | 4.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 13 | 2.4\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 16 | 3.4\% |
| 10 to 19 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 10 | 1.9\% | 2 | 0.8\% | 13 | 2.4\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 12 | 2.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 11 | 2.3\% |
| 20 to 29 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% |
| All 30 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% |
| All Respondents | 300 | 100\% | 523 | 100\% | 248 | 100\% | 553 | 100\% | 284 | 100\% | 533 | 100\% | 296 | 100\% | 474 | 100\% |

Table 8: Binge Drinking Rates: Past-Month Binge Drinking

| (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours?) | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Did not binge drink in the past 30 days | 292 | 97.7\% | 380 | 72.7\% | 242 | 97.6\% | 441 | 80.2\% | 282 | 99.3\% | 437 | 82.0\% | 293 | 98.7\% | 369 | 78.5\% |
| Binge drank one or more days in the past 30 days | 7 | 2.3\% | 143 | 27.3\% | 6 | 2.4\% | 109 | 19.8\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 96 | 18.0\% | 4 | 1.3\% | 101 | 21.5\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one day): | N/A | N/A | 9,377 | 16.2\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 17.7\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 15.9\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 14,956 | 21.9\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | 17.7\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 13.5\% |

## Survey Findings: Alcohol Use at School

Students were asked to report the number of days in the past month they had at least one drink on school property. The data below (Table 9) show that no students in the middle school group reporting using alcohol on
school property, but that $1.6 \%$ of high school students ( $\mathrm{n}=7$ ) reported drinking at school.

Table 9: Student Reports of Drinking at School in the Past 30 Days

| (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you have at least one drink of alcohol on school property?") | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Did not use in the past 30 days | 301 | 100\% | 499 | 95.2\% | 247 | 99.6\% | 544 | 98.4\% | 284 | 100\% | 522 | 97.9\% | 295 | 99.7\% | 431 | 98.4\% |
| Used one or more days in the past 30 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 25 | 4.8\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 9 | 1.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 11 | 1.7\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 7 | 1.6\% |

## Survey Findings: Drinking and Driving

The survey found (see Table 9) that few middle school and high school youth had driven a vehicle after drinking ( $0.7 \%$ of middle schoolers, $3.0 \%$ of high schoolers) or ridden with a driver who had been drinking ( $19.8 \%$ of middle schoolers, $11.3 \%$ of high schoolers). However, even small percentages given the content are alarming. Martha's Vineyard high school students report a lower incidence of driving after drinking or riding with a
driver who had been drinking in comparison to the state and the nation. For example, $11.3 \%$ of Martha's Vineyard high schoolers reported riding with a drinking driver, while the state rate was $14.4 \%$, and the national rate was $16.5 \%$; and $3.0 \%$ of Martha's Vineyard high schoolers reported driving after drinking, while the state rate was $5.7 \%$, and the national rate was $5.5 \%$.

Table 10: Student Reports of Riding with a Drinking Driver or Driving After Drinking

| (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you ride in a car or other vehicle driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol?") | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 times | 255 | 84.4\% | 432 | 82.6\% | 198 | 79.8\% | 478 | 86.6\% | 237 | 83.5\% | 465 | 87.4\% | 239 | 80.2\% | 418 | 88.7\% |
| At least one time | 47 | 15.6\% | 91 | 17.4\% | 50 | 20.2\% | 74 | 13.4\% | 47 | 16.5\% | 67 | 12.6\% | 59 | 19.8\% | 53 | 11.3\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | $N / A$ | N/A | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | 2,709 | 22.9\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 18.2\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 14.4\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 14,908 | 24.1\% | N/A | N/A | 14.908 | 24.1\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 20.0\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 16.5\% |
| (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you drive a car or other vehicle when you had been drinking | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
| alcohol?") | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 times | 299 | 99.0\% | 497 | 95.0\% | 245 | 100\% | 532 | 96.4\% | 281 | 98.9\% | 519 | 97.4\% | 296 | 99.3\% | 456 | 97.0\% |
| At least one time | 3 | 1.0\% | 26 | 5.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 20 | 3.6\% | 3 | 1.1\% | 14 | 2.6\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 14 | 3.0\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 2,679 | 6.5\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 9.4\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 5.7\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 15,090 | 8.2\% | N/A | N/A | 15,090 | 8.2\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 7.8\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 5.5\% |

## Survey Findings: Tobacco Use Overview

The data (Table 11 and Figure 4) show that 0 middle school students and $4.4 \%(\mathrm{n}=21)$ of high school students used cigarettes at least one day in the past month. As for smokeless tobacco use, 0 middle school students and $1.1 \%$ of high school students have used smokeless tobacco at least one time in the past month. There were no middle schoolers who indicated they had used smokeless tobacco at least one time in their lifetime, though $5.5 \%$ of high schoolers indicated lifetime smokeless tobacco use.

High school past-month cigarette use rates are available for the State and the Nation, while past-month smokeless tobacco use rates are only available for the Nation. Martha's Vineyard high school tobacco use rates in general are lower than both the State and the Nation:

- Past-month smokeless tobacco use: $1.1 \%$ for Martha's Vineyard high schoolers, compared to $4.8 \%$ for the State and $5.5 \%$ National high school use.
- Past-month cigarette use: $4.4 \%$ for Martha's Vineyard high schoolers, compared to $6.4 \%$ State of Massachusetts high school use and $8.8 \%$ National high school use.

More detailed data regarding the frequency of smokeless tobacco and cigarette use can be found in Table 12 on the following page. Table 12 also presents 30-day e-cigarette use. In 2018, $6.8 \%$ of middle school students in Martha's Vineyard indicated using electronic cigarettes or other devices in the past month, and $36.6 \%$ of high school students indicated past-month use.

Table 11: Tobacco Use Rates: Lifetime and Past Month Use

|  | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { High School } \\ & \text { Youth } \\ & \text { (9th-12th) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { High School } \\ & \text { Youth } \\ & \text { (9th-12th) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | ```High School Youth (9th-12th)``` |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| LIFETIME SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students who have used smokeless tobacco at least one time in their lifetime: ("Have you ever used chewing tobacco, or snuff (Beechnut, Redman, Skoal, etc.)?") | 5 | 1.7\% | 62 | 11.9\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 39 | 7.1\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 25 | 4.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 26 | 5.5\% |
| PAST MONTH SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used smokeless tobacco one or more days in the past 30 days: (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco or snuff?") | 0 | 0.0\% | 20 | 3.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 8 | 1.5\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 4 | 0.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.1\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Item (at least one day): | $N / A$ | N/A | 9,780 | 7.7\% | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | N/A | $N / A$ | 5.5\% | N/A | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 4.8\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 14,967 | 7.7\% | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 14,967 | 7.7\% | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 7.3\% | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 5.5\% |
| PAST MONTH CIGARETTE USE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used cigarettes one or more days in the past $\mathbf{3 0}$ days: (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?") | 3 | 1.0\% | 63 | 12.1\% | 5 | 2.0\% | 49 | 8.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 48 | 9.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 21 | 4.4\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Item (at least one day): | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 9,417 | 15.2\% | $N / A$ | N/A | 2,628 | 14.0\% | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 7.7\% | N/A | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 6.4\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 14,743 | 18.1\% | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 14,943 | 18.1\% | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 10.8\% | N/A | $N / A$ | $N / A$ | 8.8\% |

Table 12: Frequency of Tobacco Use in the Past Month

| During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco or snuff? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 days or not at all | 296 | 100\% | 500 | 96.2\% | 249 | 100\% | 541 | 98.5\% | 282 | 99.6\% | 526 | 99.2\% | 298 | 100\% | 469 | 98.9\% |
| 1 or 2 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 8 | 1.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.5\% | 1 | 40.0\% | 2 | 40.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% |
| 3 to 5 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% |
| 6 to 9 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 0.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| 10 to 19 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% |
| All 30 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| All Respondents | 296 | 100\% | 520 | 100\% | 249 | 100\% | 549 | 100\% | 283 | 100\% | 530 | 100\% | 298 | 100\% | 474 | 100\% |
| During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes? | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 days or not at all | 294 | 99.0\% | 459 | 87.9\% | 244 | 98.0\% | 503 | 91.1\% | 283 | 100\% | 483 | 91.0\% | 299 | 100\% | 457 | 95.6\% |
| 1 or 2 days | 1 | 0.3\% | 17 | 3.3\% | 4 | 1.6\% | 12 | 2.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 16 | 3.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.0\% |
| 3 to 5 days | 1 | 0.3\% | 9 | 1.7\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 8 | 1.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.0\% |
| 6 to 9 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 8 | 1.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 0.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 0.8\% |
| 10 to 19 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 9 | 1.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 10 | 1.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% |
| 20 to 29 days | 1 | 0.3\% | 8 | 1.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 7 | 1.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% |
| All 30 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 19 | 3.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 7 | 1.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% |
| All Respondents | 297 | 100\% | 522 | 100\% | 249 | 100\% | 552 | 100\% | 283 | 100\% | 531 | 100\% | 299 | 100\% | 478 | 100\% |
| During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use electronic cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vape pens, or e-hookahs? | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 days or not at all | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 278 | 97.9\% | 486 | 91.0\% | 276 | 93.2\% | 301 | 63.4\% |
| 1 or 2 days | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 4 | 1.4\% | 27 | 5.1\% | 9 | 3.0\% | 53 | 11.2\% |
| 3 to 5 days | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 1 | 0.4\% | 9 | 1.7\% | 5 | 1.7\% | 29 | 6.1\% |
| 6 to 9 days | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 0.7\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 18 | 3.8\% |
| 10 to 19 days | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 1 | 0.4\% | 3 | 0.6\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 27 | 5.7\% |
| 20 to 29 days | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 21 | 4.4\% |
| All 30 days | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 0.7\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 26 | 5.5\% |
| All Respondents | -- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 287 | 100\% | 534 | 100\% | 296 | 100\% | 475 | 100\% |

Figure 4


## Survey Findings: Vapor/E-Cigarette Device Use

A number of new questions regarding vapor device/e-cigarette use and perceptions were added to the 2018 survey. Table 13 below and the figures on the following page display data gathered regarding lifetime vapor device use, past-month use, substances used via vapor device, and acceptability of vaping. Past-month vapor device data (the only measure in which we have two administrations of data as reference) showed a sizable increase since the last administration. The middle school use rate increased from $2.1 \%$ in 2016 to $6.8 \%$ in 2018 , while the high school use rate increased from $9.0 \%$ in 2016 to $36.6 \%$ in 2018 . Over half of high
school students (51.9\%) indicated having tried a vapor device in their lifetime. Amongst middle school students, the most commonly consumed vapor substances are vape juice with nicotine ( $8.6 \%$ ) and vape juice without nicotine ( $6.3 \%$ ). Amongst high school students, the most commonly consumed vapor substances are vape juice with nicotine (40.0\%) and marijuana (18.8\%). The data show a clear distinction in acceptability, with a majority of middle school students feeling regular vapor device use is "Wrong" or "Very Wrong," while a majority of high school students feel it is "Not at all wrong" or "A little bit wrong."

Table 13: E-Cigarette/Vape Device Use Rates: Lifetime and Past Month Use

|  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| LIFETIME E-CIGARETTE/VAPE USE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students who have used a vapor device at least one time in their lifetime: ("Have you ever used an electronic vapor product?") | --- | --- | --- | --- | 39 | 13.1\% | 246 | 51.9\% |
| PAST MONTH E-CIGARETTE/VAPE USE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used E-cigarette or vaping device one or more days in the past 30 days: (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "PAST 30 DAYS, on how many days did you use an electronic vapor product?") | 9 | 2.1\% | 48 | 9.0\% | 20 | 6.8\% | 174 | 36.6\% |
| PAST MONTH E-CIGARETTE/VAPE USE ON SCHOOL PROPERTY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used E-cigarette or vaping device on school property one or more days in the past 30 days: (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "PAST 30 DAYS, on how many days did you use an electronic vapor product on school property?") | --- | --- | --- | --- | 5 | 1.7\% | 71 | 15.0\% |
| IF YOU USED AN ELECTRONIC VAPOR PRODUCT, WHAT SUBSTANCE HAVE YOU VAPED? (MARK ALL THAT APPLY) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I have never used an electronic vapor product. | --- | --- | --- | --- | 257 | 85.4\% | 233 | 48.5\% |
| Vape juice with nicotine | --- | --- | --- | --- | 26 | 8.6\% | 192 | 40.0\% |
| Vape juice without nicotine | --- | --- | --- | --- | 19 | 6.3\% | 76 | 15.8\% |
| Tobacco | --- | --- | --- | --- | 0 | 0.0\% | 22 | 4.6\% |
| Marijuana | --- | --- | --- | --- | 7 | 2.3\% | 90 | 18.8\% |
| Something else | --- | --- | --- | --- | 1 | 0.3\% | 11 | 2.3\% |
| I'm not sure what I was vaping. | --- | --- | --- | --- | 4 | 1.3\% | 15 | 3.1\% |
| HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT SOMEONE YOUR AGE USING AN E-CIGARETTE OR VAPING DEVICE ONCE A MONTH OR MORE? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not at all wrong | --- | --- | --- | --- | 31 | 10.6\% | 107 | 23.2\% |
| A little bit wrong | --- | --- | --- | --- | 72 | 24.6\% | 202 | 43.7\% |
| Wrong | --- | --- | --- | --- | 82 | 28.0\% | 93 | 20.1\% |
| Very Wrong | --- | --- | --- | --- | 108 | 36.9\% | 60 | 13.0\% |

Figure 5


Figure 6


Figure 7


## Survey Findings: Marijuana Use Overview

The data show that $4.4 \%(n=13)$ of middle school students and $28.3 \%$ ( $\mathrm{n}=133$ ) of high school students used marijuana at least one day in the past month. High school past-month marijuana use rates are available for
the State of Massachusetts and for the Nation. The Martha's Vineyard high school marijuana use rate ( $28.3 \%$ ) is higher than both the State rate (24.1\%) and the National rate (19.8\%).

Table 14: Marijuana Use Rates: Past Month Marijuana Use and Perception of Student Marijuana Use

| Marijuana 30-day use: (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days have you used marijuana?") | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Non-Users | 289 | 96.0\% | 321 | 61.5\% | 229 | 93.1\% | 398 | 72.2\% | 279 | 98.2\% | 349 | 66.1\% | 284 | 95.6\% | 337 | 71.7\% |
| Users | 12 | 4.0\% | 201 | 38.5\% | 17 | 6.9\% | 153 | 27.8\% | 5 | 1.8\% | 179 | 33.9\% | 13 | 4.4\% | 133 | 28.3\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | $N / A$ | N/A | 9,318 | 21.2\% | N/A | N/A | 2,665 | 27.9\% | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | 24.5\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 24.1\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 14,970 | 23.1\% | N/A | N/A | 14,970 | 23.1\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 21.7\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 19.8\% |
| Synthetic Marijuana 30-day use: (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days have you used synthetic | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School <br> Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School <br> Youth <br> (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School <br> Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Non-Users | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 280 | 98.9\% | 517 | 97.9\% | 293 | 99.0\% | 460 | 98.1\% |
| Users | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 3 | 1.1\% | 11 | 2.1\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 9 | 1.9\% |
| Peer perceptions of marijuana 30-day use: (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "Now think about all the students in your grade at your school. How many of them do you think used marijuana in the past | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| None (0\%) | 148 | 49.5\% | 35 | 6.8\% | 123 | 50.0\% | 28 | 5.1\% | 121 | 42.6\% | 22 | 4.2\% | 124 | 41.8\% | 30 | 6.4\% |
| Few to Almost All | 151 | 50.5\% | 480 | 93.2\% | 123 | 50.0\% | 520 | 94.9\% | 163 | 57.4\% | 507 | 95.8\% | 173 | 58.2\% | 441 | 93.6\% |

Figure 8


## Survey Findings: 30-Day Marijuana Use and Perceptions

The data in the table below (Table 15) provide a more in-depth look at 30-day marijuana use frequency in Martha's Vineyard. A majority of youth in each group have not used marijuana at all in the past 30 days $(95.6 \%$ in the middle school group, $71.7 \%$ in the high school group), and one can see that of the other frequency categories, the one most often reported was smoking marijuana " 1 or 2 days" in the past month ( $1.7 \%$ of middle schoolers marked this
option, $9.4 \%$ of high schoolers marked this option). Data in Table 16 demonstrate youths' perceptions regarding past-month peer use. In contrast to the previously provided data, only $41.8 \%$ of middle schoolers and $6.4 \%$ of high schoolers perceived that none of their peers had used marijuana in the past 30 days.

Table 15: Frequency of Marijuana Use in the Past Month

| During the past 30 days, how many times have you used marijuana? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 times | 289 | 96.0\% | 321 | 61.5\% | 229 | 93.1\% | 398 | 72.2\% | 279 | 98.2\% | 349 | 66.1\% | 284 | 95.6\% | 337 | 71.7\% |
| 1 or 2 times | 5 | 1.7\% | 60 | 11.5\% | 10 | 4.1\% | 42 | 7.6\% | 3 | 1.1\% | 55 | 10.4\% | 5 | 1.7\% | 44 | 9.4\% |
| 3 to 9 times | 4 | 1.3\% | 45 | 8.6\% | 7 | 2.8\% | 41 | 7.4\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 51 | 9.7\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 33 | 7.0\% |
| 10 to 19 Times | 2 | 0.7\% | 27 | 5.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 20 | 3.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 25 | 4.7\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 15 | 3.2\% |
| 20 to 39 Times | 1 | 0.3\% | 22 | 4.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 20 | 3.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 21 | 4.0\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 17 | 3.6\% |
| 40 or more times | 0 | 0.0\% | 47 | 9.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 30 | 5.4\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 27 | 5.1\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 24 | 5.1\% |
| All Respondents | 301 | 100\% | 522 | 100\% | 246 | 100\% | 551 | 100\% | 284 | 100\% | 528 | 100\% | 297 | 100\% | 470 | 100\% |

Table 16: Student Perceptions of Peer Marijuana Use in the Past Month

| Now think about all the students in your grade at your school. How many of them do you think used marijuana in the past month? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| None (0\%) | 113 | 37.4\% | 17 | 3.3\% | 109 | 44.5\% | 19 | 3.4\% | 121 | 42.6\% | 22 | 4.2\% | 124 | 41.8\% | 30 | 6.4\% |
| Few (1-10\%) | 116 | 38.4\% | 35 | 6.7\% | 83 | 33.9\% | 20 | 3.6\% | 112 | 39.4\% | 23 | 4.3\% | 101 | 34.0\% | 21 | 4.5\% |
| Some (11-30\%) | 42 | 13.9\% | 49 | 9.4\% | 35 | 14.3\% | 70 | 12.7\% | 37 | 13.0\% | 42 | 7.9\% | 41 | 13.8\% | 31 | 6.6\% |
| Half or less (31-50\%) | 22 | 7.3\% | 103 | 19.7\% | 12 | 4.9\% | 113 | 20.5\% | 7 | 2.5\% | 103 | 19.5\% | 19 | 6.4\% | 69 | 14.6\% |
| Half or more (51-70\%) | 6 | 2.0\% | 158 | 30.3\% | 4 | 1.6\% | 161 | 29.2\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 158 | 29.9\% | 11 | 3.7\% | 132 | 28.0\% |
| Most (71-90\%) | 1 | 0.3\% | 106 | 20.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 133 | 24.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 136 | 25.7\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 137 | 29.1\% |
| Almost all (91-100\%) | 2 | 0.7\% | 54 | 10.3\% | 2 | 0.8\% | 35 | 6.4\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 45 | 8.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 51 | 10.8\% |

## Survey Findings: Additional Marijuana Use Data

## Marijuana Use at School

Students were asked to report the number of days in the past month they smoked marijuana on school property. The data below show that $1.3 \%$ students in the middle school group ( $n=4$ ) reported using marijuana on school property, and $7.4 \%$ of high school students ( 35 students) reported smoking marijuana at school. There was no State or National comparison for this measure.

## Marijuana Use and Driving/Riding

In comparison to middle school students, high school students report significantly higher rates of having driven a vehicle after using marijuana (1.0\% of middle schoolers, $8.5 \%$ of high schoolers) and having ridden with a driver who had been smoking marijuana ( $9.8 \%$ of middle schoolers, $24.5 \%$ of high schoolers).

Table 17: Additional Marijuana Use Data: Marijuana Consumption on School Property, Riding with a Marijuana-Smoking Driver, and Driving after Smoking Marijuana

|  | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students marking any number of times in response to the question "During the past 30 days, how many times did | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Middle School } \\ \text { Youth } \\ \text { (7th-8th) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 times | 297 | 98.7\% | 452 | 87.3\% | 248 | 100\% | 497 | 90.5\% | 280 | 98.6\% | 491 | 92.6\% | 293 | 98.7\% | 435 | 92.6\% |
| At least one time | 4 | 1.3\% | 66 | 12.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 52 | 9.5\% | 4 | 1.4\% | 39 | 7.4\% | 4 | 1.3\% | 35 | 7.4\% |
| Students marking any number of times in response to the question "During the past 30 days, how many times did you ride in a car or other vehicle driven by someone who | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
| had | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 times | 281 | 93.4\% | 343 | 66.0\% | 234 | 95.1\% | 408 | 74.2\% | 275 | 97.9\% | 381 | 72.0\% | 267 | 90.2\% | 355 | 75.5\% |
| At least one time | 20 | 6.6\% | 177 | 34.0\% | 12 | 4.9\% | 142 | 25.8\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 148 | 28.0\% | 29 | 9.8\% | 115 | 24.5\% |
| Students marking any number of times in response to the question "During the past 30 days, how many times did you drive a car or other vehicle when you had been using | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
| marijuana?" | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 times | 298 | 99.0\% | 452 | 86.6\% | 248 | 100\% | 496 | 90.5\% | 281 | 99.6\% | 476 | 89.8\% | 294 | 99.0\% | 430 | 91.5\% |
| At least one time | 3 | 1.0\% | 70 | 13.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 52 | 9.5\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 54 | 10.2\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 40 | 8.5\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | 13.0\% |

## Survey Findings: Prescription and

## Over-the-Counter Drug Misuse

The tables below display past-month prescription drug use and over-thecounter drug use (for unintended purposes). Table 18 shows that $2.4 \%$ of middle school students $(\mathrm{n}=7)$ and $6.6 \%$ of high school students $(\mathrm{n}=31)$ have used prescription drugs for unintended purposes at least one time in the past month. Table 19 shows that most prescription drug use is fairly infrequent $-1.0 \%$ of middle schoolers and $3.6 \%$ of high schoolers have
used prescription drugs 1 or 2 days in the past month. Finally, Table 20 shows that a small percentage of students have used over-the-counter drugs for unintended purposes ( $7.3 \%$ of middle school students and $8.3 \%$ of high school students). See the chart on following page for a graphic representation of this data.

| (Students marking any number of days in response to the question "During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use prescription medications without a doctor's orders?") | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Did not use in the past 30 days | 292 | 97.3\% | 476 | 91.4\% | 238 | 96.7\% | 508 | 92.4\% | 276 | 97.9\% | 505 | 95.6\% | 290 | 97.6\% | 439 | 93.4\% |
| Used one or more days in the past 30 days | 8 | 2.7\% | 45 | 8.6\% | 8 | 3.3\% | 42 | 7.6\% | 3 | 2.1\% | 33 | 4.4\% | 7 | 2.4\% | 31 | 6.6\% |

Table 19: Frequency of Prescription Drug Use in the Past Month

| During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use prescription medications without a doctor's orders | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 0 days or not at all | 292 | 97.3\% | 476 | 91.4\% | 238 | 96.7\% | 508 | 92.4\% | 276 | 97.9\% | 505 | 95.6\% | 290 | 97.6\% | 439 | 93.4\% |
| 1 or 2 days | 4 | 1.3\% | 24 | 4.6\% | 5 | 2.0\% | 23 | 4.2\% | 3 | 1.1\% | 11 | 2.1\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 17 | 3.6\% |
| 3 to 5 days | 1 | 0.3\% | 8 | 1.5\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 11 | 2.0\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 3 | 0.6\% |
| 6 to 9 days | 1 | 0.3\% | 6 | 1.2\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 3 | 0.5\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 6 | 1.3\% |
| 10 to 19 days | 2 | 0.7\% | 4 | 0.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 0.7\% | 1 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 2 | 0.4\% |
| 20 to 29 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% |
| All 30 days | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| All Respondents | 300 | 100\% | 521 | 100\% | 246 | 100\% | 550 | 100\% | 282 | 100\% | 528 | 100\% | 297 | 100\% | 470 | 100\% |

Table 20: Over-the-Counter Substance Use (For non-intended purposes)

| Have you ever tried using non-prescription medications (such as cough syrup, cold medication, or pain killers) for something other than their intended purpose? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Yes | 21 | 7.0\% | 74 | 14.4\% | 15 | 6.1\% | 56 | 10.4\% | 14 | 4.9\% | 41 | 8.1\% | 21 | 7.3\% | 38 | 8.3\% |
| No | 280 | 93.0\% | 441 | 85.6\% | 232 | 93.9\% | 483 | 89.6\% | 270 | 95.1\% | 468 | 91.9\% | 268 | 92.7\% | 421 | 91.7\% |

Figure 9


## Survey Findings: Other Drug Misuse

The Martha's Vineyard YRBS gathered data regarding lifetime drug use (use of a substance at least one time in a student's lifetime) for the following substances (see next page for continued data table and graphic representation):

- Cocaine ( $0.3 \%$ Martha's Vineyard Middle School (MV MS), 3.2\% Martha's Vineyard High School (MV HS), 4.1\% State YRBS HS, 4.8\% National YRBS HS)
- Heroin ( $0.0 \%$ MV MS, $0.6 \%$ MV HS, $1.4 \%$ State YRBS HS, $1.4 \%$ National YRBS HS)
- Inhalants (3.8\% MV MS, 6.7\% MV HS, 6.2\% National YRBS HS)
- LSD/Hallucinogens (0.7\% MV MS, 8.8\% MV HS, $6.6 \%$ National YRBS)
- MDMA/Ecstasy ( $0.3 \%$ MV MS, $2.0 \%$ MV HS, $2.8 \%$ State YRBS HS, $4.0 \%$ National YRBS HS)
- Prescription stimulants (1.4\% MV MS, 9.5\% MV HS)
- Prescription sedatives (4.1\% MV MS, $3.5 \%$ MV HS)
- Prescription tranquilizers (1.0\% MV MS, $5.6 \%$ MV HS)
- Narcotic prescription drugs (taken for unintended purposes) ( $1.0 \%$ MV MS, 4.6\% MV HS)

Table 21: Other Drug Use Rates: Lifetime Use

| Percent of students indicating at least one use in their lifetime of: | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Cocaine | 3 | 1.0\% | 19 | 3.6\% | 2 | 0.8\% | 21 | 3.9\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 23 | 4.4\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 15 | 3.2\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 2,715 | 5.0\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 4.5\% | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | 4.1\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 15,138 | 6.8\% | N/A | N/A | 15,138 | 6.8\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 5.2\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 4.8\% |
| Heroin | 1 | 0.3\% | 7 | 1.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 2,658 | 2.1\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.7\% | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | 1.4\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 14,069 | 2.9\% | N/A | N/A | 14,069 | 2.9\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 2.1\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 1.7\% |
| Inhalants | 28 | 9.3\% | 56 | 10.8\% | 22 | 8.9\% | 43 | 7.9\% | 15 | 5.3\% | 30 | 5.8\% | 11 | 3.8\% | 31 | 6.7\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | N/A | N/A | 9,527 | 11.0\% | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | N/A |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 14,556 | 11.4\% | N/A | N/A | 14,556 | 11.4\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 7.0\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 6.2\% |
| LSD/Hallucinogens | 3 | 1.0\% | 47 | 9.0\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 32 | 5.9\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 33 | 6.4\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 41 | 8.8\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 6.4\% | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | 6.6\% |
| MDMA/Ecstasy | 2 | 0.7\% | 32 | 6.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 41 | 7.6\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 14 | 2.7\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 9 | 2.0\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | N/A | 2,710 | 5.8\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 4.3\% | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | 2.8\% |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | 14,720 | 8.2\% | N/A | N/A | 14,720 | 8.2\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 5.0\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 4.0\% |


| Percent of students indicating at least one use in their lifetime of: | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Prescription Stimulants or Amphetamines (without a doctor's orders) | 4 | 1.3\% | 50 | 9.6\% | 6 | 2.4\% | 83 | 15.4\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 45 | 9.7\% | 4 | 1.4\% | 44 | 9.5\% |
| Prescription Sedatives, Barbiturates, or Sleeping Pills (without a doctor's orders) | 10 | 3.4\% | 36 | 6.9\% | 13 | 5.3\% | 38 | 7.0\% | 12 | 4.2\% | 23 | 4.5\% | 12 | 4.1\% | 16 | 3.5\% |
| Prescription Tranquilizers (without a doctor's orders) | 3 | 1.0\% | 29 | 5.6\% | 2 | 0.8\% | 31 | 5.7\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 32 | 6.2\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 26 | 5.6\% |
| Narcotic Prescription Drugs (without a doctor's orders) | 3 | 1.0\% | 50 | 9.6\% | 6 | 2.5\% | 35 | 6.5\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 28 | 4.5\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 21 | 4.6\% |
| State of Massachusetts YRBS Rate for this Survey Item (at least one time): | N/A | N/A | N/A | $N / A$ | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| National YRBS Rate for this Survey Item: | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 14.0\% |

Figure 10

| Other Illegal Lifetime Substance Use: <br> Martha's Vineyard MS and HS Survey Respondents (2018) Compared to the State (2017) and Nation (2017) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 16.0 \% \\ & 14.0 \% \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2.0\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0.0 \%$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cocaine | Heroin | Inhalants | LSD/ Hallucinogen s | MDMA/ Ecstasy | Prescription <br> Stimulants <br> or <br> Amphetamin <br> es <br> (without a <br> doctor's <br> orders) | Prescription Sedatives, Barbiturates, or Sleeping Pills (without a doctor's orders) | Prescription Tranquilizers (without a doctor's orders) | Narcotic Prescription Drugs (without a doctor's orders) |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Middle School Youth } \\ & \text { (7th-8th) } \end{aligned}$ | 0.3\% | 0.0\% | 3.8\% | 0.7\% | 0.3\% | 1.4\% | 4.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% |
| - High School Youth (9th-12th) | 3.2\% | 0.6\% | 6.7\% | 8.8\% | 2.0\% | 9.5\% | 3.5\% | 5.6\% | 4.6\% |
| - State of MA HS YRBS Rate | 4.1\% | 1.4\% |  |  | 2.8\% |  |  |  |  |
| - National HS YRBS Rate | 4.8\% | 1.7\% | 6.2\% | 6.6\% | 4.0\% |  |  |  | 14.0\% |

## Consequences of Alcohol Use

The Martha's Vineyard YRBS survey asked students a number of questions related to personal consequences of using alcohol or other drugs (see Table 23 below and graphic representation on next page).

- $5.9 \%$ of middle school students and $14.3 \%$ of high school students indicated that they had gotten in trouble with their parents because of using alcohol or other drugs at least one time in the past year.
- 0 middle school students and $1.5 \%$ of high school students indicated that they had an emergency room visit as a result of alcohol or drug use in the past year.

| In you have used alcohol or other drugs in the past 12 months, have you gotten into trouble with your parents because of your using alcohol or other drugs? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| 1 did not use | 256 | 85.3\% | 206 | 39.8\% | 200 | 82.3\% | 245 | 45.5\% | 252 | 88.1\% | 202 | 39.7\% | 227 | 78.3\% | 190 | 41.3\% |
| Yes | 5 | 1.7\% | 88 | 17.0\% | 7 | 2.9\% | 78 | 14.5\% | 8 | 2.8\% | 71 | 13.9\% | 17 | 5.9\% | 66 | 14.3\% |
| No | 39 | 13.0\% | 223 | 43.1\% | 36 | 14.8\% | 215 | 40.0\% | 26 | 9.1\% | 236 | 46.4\% | 46 | 15.9\% | 204 | 44.3\% |
| If you have used alcohol or other drugs in the past 12 months, did you have an emergency room visit as a result? | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { High School } \\ & \text { Youth } \\ & \text { (9th-12th) } \end{aligned}$ |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { High School } \\ & \text { Youth } \\ & \text { (9th-12th) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| I did not use | 256 | 85.3\% | 210 | 40.5\% | 201 | 82.7\% | 246 | 45.9\% | 252 | 88.4\% | 203 | 39.9\% | 226 | 77.9\% | 190 | 41.2\% |
| Yes | 1 | 0.3\% | 4 | 0.8\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 13 | 2.4\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 7 | 1.5\% |
| No | 43 | 14.3\% | 305 | 58.8\% | 41 | 16.9\% | 277 | 51.7\% | 31 | 10.9\% | 304 | 59.7\% | 64 | 22.1\% | 264 | 57.3\% |

Figure 11


Students were asked "During the past 30 days, how did you usually get the alcohol you drank?"; for the question, students were allowed to mark as many options as applied. A majority of students in both groups marked the "Not applicable/I didn't drink alcohol in the past 30 days" option ( $92.4 \%$ of middle school students and $64.2 \%$ of high school students). For Martha's Vineyard middle school students, the top sources for obtaining alcohol are getting it from their mother or father with their permission $(2.7 \%, \mathrm{n}=8)$ or from either
a friend or acquaintance's mother or father with their permission (1.0\%) or from a friend who is under 21 years of age ( $1.0 \%$ ). For Martha's Vineyard high school students, the top three sources for obtaining alcohol are getting it from a friend who is 21 years of age or older $(13.5 \%, n=64)$, from a friend who is under 21 years of age ( $10.7 \%, \mathrm{n}=51$ ), or from their mother or father with their permission $(5.5 \%, \mathrm{n}=26)$.

Table 24: Student Reports of Where They Obtained Their Alcohol

| During the past 30 days, how did you usually get the alcohol you drank? (Select all that apply) | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Not applicable/I didn't drink alcohol in the past 30 days | 275 | 90.8\% | 308 | 58.8\% | 224 | 89.6\% | 347 | 62.6\% | 270 | 94.1\% | 343 | 64.4\% | 278 | 92.4\% | 305 | 64.2\% |
| My mother or father with their permission | 9 | 3.0\% | 12 | 2.3\% | 10 | 4.0\% | 19 | 3.4\% | 5 | 1.7\% | 21 | 3.9\% | 8 | 2.7\% | 26 | 5.5\% |
| My mother or father without their permission | 4 | 1.3\% | 42 | 8.0\% | 4 | 1.6\% | 29 | 5.2\% | 4 | 1.4\% | 34 | 6.4\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 25 | 5.3\% |
| A friend or acquaintance's mother or father with their permission | 0 | 0.0\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 13 | 2.3\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 13 | 2.4\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 17 | 3.6\% |
| A friend or acquaintance's mother or father without their permission | 5 | 1.7\% | 14 | 2.7\% | 4 | 1.6\% | 30 | 5.4\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 25 | 4.7\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 22 | 4.6\% |
| A brother, sister, or other relative (nonparent) | 4 | 1.3\% | 24 | 4.6\% | 3 | 1.2\% | 21 | 3.8\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 16 | 3.0\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 17 | 3.6\% |
| A friend who is 21 years of age or older | 5 | 1.7\% | 100 | 19.1\% | 4 | 1.6\% | 99 | 17.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 67 | 12.6\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 64 | 13.5\% |
| A friend who is under 21 years of age | 4 | 1.3\% | 64 | 12.2\% | 5 | 2.0\% | 53 | 9.6\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 46 | 8.6\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 51 | 10.7\% |
| I asked a stranger to buy it for me | 0 | 0.0\% | 15 | 2.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 4 | 0.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 7 | 1.5\% |
| I bought it myself | 1 | 0.3\% | 15 | 2.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 12 | 2.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 10 | 2.1\% |

Figure 12


## Access to Substances: Perceived Availability

Students were asked to report how easy they felt it would be to get alcohol or other drugs if they wanted to get them. This section will focus on students who felt it was "Very easy" or "Sort of easy" to obtain the substance mentioned in the question.

- Roughly 1 in 3 middle school students felt it would be "Very easy" or "Sort of easy" to get alcohol ( $34.2 \%, \mathrm{n}=90$ ), and 1 in 4 middle school students felt it would be easy to get marijuana ( $27.1 \%, \mathrm{n}=71$ ).
- A majority of high school students felt it would be "Very easy" or "Sort of easy" to get alcohol ( $55.8 \%, \mathrm{n}=230$ ) or marijuana ( $67.0 \%, \mathrm{n}=276$ ).
- Of the three substance use categories, students in both groups perceived that it would be more difficult to get prescription drugs. Only $11.9 \%$ of middle school students and $24.6 \%$ of high school students felt it would be easy to get prescription drugs.

Table 25: Perceived Availability of Substances

| Percent of students who believe it is: | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| "Very Easy" or "Sort of Easy" to get beer, wine, or hard liquor. | 109 | 36.9\% | 345 | 67.3\% | 83 | 34.2\% | 329 | 60.8\% | 72 | 25.5\% | 319 | 61.9\% | 90 | 34.2\% | 230 | 55.8\% |
| Very Easy or Sort of Easy to get marijuana. | 92 | 31.2\% | 370 | 72.3\% | 61 | 25.1\% | 383 | 70.7\% | 57 | 20.2\% | 380 | 73.8\% | 71 | 27.1\% | 276 | 67.0\% |
| Very Easy or Sort of Easy to get prescription drugs (such as Vicodin, Oxycontin, Xanax, Valium, Ritalin, or Adderall) without a doctor's orders. | 35 | 11.9\% | 126 | 24.7\% | 43 | 17.7\% | 142 | 26.4\% | 28 | 10.0\% | 121 | 23.7\% | 31 | 11.9\% | 101 | 24.6\% |

Figure 13


## Access to Substances: Parent Permissiveness

Students were asked "Are there any times when your parents permit you to drink alcohol?" For the question, students were allowed to mark any option that applied. A significant number of students in both groups marked the "No, not under any circumstances" option ( $68.4 \%$ of middle school students and $48.6 \%$ of high school students). For Martha's Vineyard middle school students, the top three instances for parental permissiveness of drinking were for drinking alcohol during a religious service ( $21.9 \%$,
$\mathrm{n}=66$ ), for a toast at a wedding or other celebration $(11.0 \%, \mathrm{n}=33)$, or for family parties ( $6.0 \%, \mathrm{n}=18$ ). For Martha's Vineyard high school students, the top three instances for parental permissiveness of drinking were for a toast at a wedding or other celebration $(22.1 \%, \mathrm{n}=105)$, for drinking alcohol during a religious service ( $17.9 \%, \mathrm{n}=85$ ), or for family parties ( $16.2 \%$, $\mathrm{n}=77$ ).

Table 26: Student Reports Regarding Parental Permissions to Drink Alcohol

| Are there any times when your parents permit you to drink alcohol? (Select all that apply) | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| No, not under any circumstances | 198 | 65.3\% | 213 | 40.6\% | 162 | 64.8\% | 254 | 45.8\% | 185 | 64.5\% | 255 | 47.8\% | 206 | 68.4\% | 231 | 48.6\% |
| During a religious service (mass, church) | 67 | 22.1\% | 112 | 21.4\% | 47 | 18.8\% | 129 | 23.3\% | 61 | 21.3\% | 89 | 16.7\% | 66 | 21.9\% | 85 | 17.9\% |
| For a toast at a wedding or other celebration | 50 | 16.5\% | 158 | 30.2\% | 42 | 16.8\% | 144 | 26.0\% | 41 | 14.3\% | 136 | 25.5\% | 33 | 11.0\% | 105 | 22.1\% |
| At family parties (other than a toast) | 21 | 6.9\% | 103 | 19.7\% | 15 | 6.0\% | 94 | 17.0\% | 12 | 4.2\% | 105 | 19.5\% | 18 | 6.0\% | 77 | 16.2\% |
| When I am with them | 12 | 4.0\% | 60 | 11.5\% | 15 | 6.0\% | 54 | 9.7\% | 10 | 3.5\% | 65 | 12.2\% | 15 | 5.0\% | 53 | 11.2\% |
| At parties when adults are present | 5 | 1.7\% | 20 | 3.8\% | 6 | 2.4\% | 15 | 2.7\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 33 | 6.2\% | 5 | 1.7\% | 19 | 4.0\% |
| At parties as long as I don't drive | 0 | 0.0\% | 49 | 9.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 43 | 7.8\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 47 | 8.8\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 39 | 8.2\% |
| At home with friends as long as no one is driving | 1 | 0.3\% | 27 | 5.2\% | 2 | 0.8\% | 26 | 4.7\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 31 | 5.8\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 33 | 6.9\% |
| They leave the decision to me | 7 | 2.3\% | 47 | 9.0\% | 6 | 2.4\% | 56 | 10.1\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 42 | 7.9\% | 6 | 2.0\% | 43 | 9.1\% |

Figure 14


## Protective Factors: Perceived Parental Disapproval

Students were asked to report their perceptions of how wrong their parents believed it was for them to use alcohol and drugs; this section will focus on students who believed their parents felt it was "Very wrong" or "Wrong" to use the substance mentioned in the question. For this measure, a higher percentage is desirable.

- When comparing middle school and high school results for this question, Table 27 shows that middle school students perceived higher parental disapproval than their high school peers for alcohol use ( $6.6 \%$ higher for MS), higher disapproval for smoking cigarettes ( $1.0 \%$ higher for MS), and higher disapproval of smoking marijuana ( $20.9 \%$ higher for MS). The only substance where high schoolers perceived greater parental disapproval was for prescription drug use, where $93.3 \%$ of high
school students and $93.2 \%$ of middle school students felt their parents would think it was wrong for them to use.
- $92.2 \%$ of middle school students and $85.6 \%$ of high school students perceive parental disapproval of alcohol use.
- $93.9 \%$ of middle school students and $92.9 \%$ of high school students perceive parental disapproval of cigarette use.
- $90.4 \%$ of middle school students and $69.5 \%$ of high school students perceive parental disapproval of smoking marijuana.
- $93.2 \%$ of middle school students and $93.3 \%$ of high school students perceive parental disapproval of using prescription drugs.

| Percent of students who believe their parents feel it is: | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" for them to drink beer, wine or hard liquor (for example vodka, whiskey or gin) regularly. | 274 | 91.3\% | 421 | 81.6\% | 235 | 94.8\% | 482 | 88.0\% | 258 | 90.5\% | 451 | 86.0\% | 270 | 92.2\% | 398 | 85.6\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" for them to smoke cigarettes. | 272 | 91.0\% | 449 | 87.0\% | 239 | 96.4\% | 507 | 92.5\% | 263 | 92.6\% | 473 | 90.8\% | 275 | 93.9\% | 432 | 92.9\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" for them to smoke marijuana. | 269 | 89.7\% | 349 | 67.6\% | 229 | 92.3\% | 391 | 71.6\% | 253 | 88.7\% | 330 | 63.5\% | 265 | 90.4\% | 323 | 69.5\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" for them to use prescription drugs without a doctor's orders. | 268 | 89.6\% | 473 | 91.7\% | 235 | 95.1\% | 512 | 93.8\% | 257 | 90.5\% | 486 | 93.5\% | 273 | 93.2\% | 433 | 93.3\% |

Figure 15


## Protective Factors: Family Rules

## and Expectations Regarding Substance Use

Students were asked to respond to two statements about family rules and expectations regarding substance use, by indicating how strongly (response options were NO!, no, yes, and YES!) they agreed or disagreed with the statements.

- In response to the statement "My family has clear rules about alcohol use," $85.6 \%$ of middle school students and $76.7 \%$ of high school students marked "YES!" or "yes," while $14.4 \%$ of middle school students
( $\mathrm{n}=42$ ) marked "NO!" or "no," and 23.3\% of high school students ( $\mathrm{n}=108$ ) marked "NO!" or "no."
- In response to the statement "My family has clear rules about other drug use," $90.3 \%$ of middle school students and $83.7 \%$ of high school students marked "YES!" or "yes," while $9.7 \%$ of middle school students ( $\mathrm{n}=28$ ) marked "NO!" or "no," and $16.3 \%$ of high school students (n=75) marked "NO!" or "no."

Table 28: Family Rules and Expectations Regarding Substance Use

| My family has clear rules about alcohol Use | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchooYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| NO! or no | 42 | 14.1\% | 117 | 22.7\% | 38 | 15.6\% | 120 | 22.5\% | 31 | 10.9\% | 133 | 26.2\% | 42 | 14.4\% | 108 | 23.3\% |
| YES! Or yes | 255 | 85.9\% | 398 | 77.3\% | 206 | 84.4\% | 414 | 77.5\% | 254 | 89.1\% | 374 | 73.7\% | 250 | 85.6\% | 355 | 76.7\% |
| My family has clear rules about other drug use. | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School <br> Youth <br> (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| NO! or no | 34 | 11.5\% | 87 | 16.9\% | 34 | 14.1\% | 89 | 16.7\% | 26 | 9.2\% | 83 | 16.3\% | 28 | 9.7\% | 75 | 16.3\% |
| YES! or yes | 261 | 88.5\% | 427 | 83.1\% | 207 | 85.9\% | 443 | 83.3\% | 256 | 90.8\% | 426 | 83.7\% | 260 | 90.3\% | 385 | 83.7\% |

Figure 16


## Protective Factors: Perceived Acceptability

Students were asked to report their own perceptions of how wrong it is for someone their age to use alcohol and drugs; this section will focus on students who felt it was "Very wrong" or "Wrong" for someone their age to use the substance mentioned in the question. As with perceived parental acceptability, a higher rate of perceived disapproval is desirable.

- When comparing middle school and high school results for this question, Table 29 shows that middle school students reported higher disapproval rates than their high school peers for all categories - particularly in regards to marijuana use questions. Disapproval of regular alcohol use was $9.8 \%$ higher for middle schoolers than high schoolers, disapproval of heavy cigarette use was $4.7 \%$ higher for middle school than high school, disapproval of marijuana experimentation was $40.5 \%$ higher for middle school than high school, disapproval of regular marijuana use was $39.6 \%$ higher for middle school than high school, disapproval of e-cigarette use was $31.7 \%$ higher for middle school than high school
students, and disapproval of prescription drug use was $5.2 \%$ higher for middle school than high school.
- $88.8 \%$ of middle school students and $79.0 \%$ of high school students disapprove of regular alcohol use.
- $98.0 \%$ of middle school students and $93.3 \%$ of high school students disapprove of regular/heavy cigarette use.
- $67.5 \%$ of middle school students and $27.0 \%$ of high school students disapprove of trying marijuana.
- $74.2 \%$ of middle school students and $34.6 \%$ of high school students disapprove of smoking marijuana regularly.
- $64.8 \%$ of middle school students and $33.1 \%$ of high school students disapprove of using e-cigarettes regularly.
- $93.6 \%$ of middle school students and $88.4 \%$ of high school students disapprove of using prescription drugs.

Table 29: Perceived Acceptability of Substance Use

| Percent of students who feel, for someone their age, it is: | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" to have one or two drinks of an alcoholic beverage nearly every day. | 266 | 88.7\% | 397 | 76.3\% | 211 | 85.8\% | 410 | 74.8\% | 256 | 89.5\% | 406 | 77.3\% | 262 | 88.8\% | 368 | 79.0\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" to smoke one or more packs of cigarettes a day. | 287 | 95.7\% | 472 | 90.9\% | 237 | 96.3\% | 523 | 95.4\% | 273 | 96.2\% | 479 | 91.6\% | 288 | 98.0\% | 434 | 93.3\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" to try marijuana or hashish once or twice. | 226 | 76.1\% | 151 | 29.1\% | 174 | 71.0\% | 169 | 30.8\% | 216 | 77.1\% | 124 | 23.8\% | 199 | 67.5\% | 125 | 27.0\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" to use an e-cigarette or vaping device once a month or more. | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 190 | 64.8\% | 153 | 33.1\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" to use marijuana once a month or more. | 236 | 78.9\% | 168 | 32.4\% | 189 | 77.1\% | 197 | 36.0\% | 232 | 82.2\% | 140 | 26.9\% | 216 | 74.2\% | 160 | 34.6\% |
| "Very Wrong" or "Wrong" to use prescription drugs without a doctor's orders. | 278 | 93.0\% | 453 | 87.1\% | 223 | 90.7\% | 480 | 88.1\% | 266 | 93.7\% | 482 | 92.1\% | 276 | 93.6\% | 410 | 88.4\% |

Figure 17


## Protective Factors: Perceived Harmfulness

Students were asked to report how harmful (physically and in other ways) it was to use alcohol and other substances. The results of this section will focus on students who reported that they perceived "moderate" or "great risk" for each of the substance categories. As with perceived disapproval, higher rates of perceived harmfulness are desirable.

- In regard to perceived harmfulness of binge drinking, a majority of all students perceived moderate or great risk, but the rate of perceived harmfulness was higher for middle schoolers ( $85.7 \%$ perceived great risk, compared to $81.9 \%$ of high schoolers).
- Rates of perceived harm of regular cigarette use and using prescription drugs for unintended purposes were quite similar for both groups of
students. Perceived harmfulness of heavy cigarette use was $95.6 \%$ for the middle school and $94.8 \%$ for the high school, and perceived harmfulness of using prescription drugs was $93.2 \%$ for the middle school and $92.2 \%$ for the high school.
- The perceived risk of smoking marijuana once or twice per week is significantly higher for middle school students. Of middle school students, $77.0 \%(\mathrm{n}=224)$ indicated there was moderate or great risk in smoking marijuana once or twice a week, while $39.7 \%$ of high school students $(\mathrm{n}=184)$ perceive great harm of regular marijuana use.

Table 30: Perceived Harmfulness of Substance Use

| Percent of students who feel there is: | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle Schoo Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| "Moderate" or "Great Risk" of having five or more drinks of an alcoholic beverage once or twice a week. | 257 | 87.1\% | 403 | 77.6\% | 214 | 86.3\% | 448 | 81.6\% | 249 | 87.9\% | 433 | 82.7\% | 251 | 85.7\% | 381 | 81.9\% |
| "Moderate" or "Great Risk" of smoking one or more packs of cigarettes per day. | 277 | 93.9\% | 485 | 93.4\% | 235 | 94.8\% | 524 | 95.6\% | 269 | 95.8\% | 491 | 94.2\% | 280 | 95.6\% | 438 | 94.8\% |
| "Moderate" or "Great Risk" of smoking marijuana once or twice a week. | 235 | 79.7\% | 206 | 39.8\% | 189 | 76.5\% | 225 | 41.1\% | 218 | 77.0\% | 148 | 28.3\% | 224 | 77.0\% | 184 | 39.7\% |
| "Moderate" or "Great Risk" of using prescription drugs without a doctor's orders. | 269 | 92.8\% | 479 | 92.5\% | 218 | 90.8\% | 500 | 92.8\% | 262 | 93.2\% | 480 | 92.7\% | 274 | 93.2\% | 427 | 92.2\% |

Figure 18


Students were asked, "When you have been at a party or just hanging out with other students, what, if anything, have you done to avoid drinking alcohol? (Select all that apply)." The response option marked most by both groups was "I don't drink alcohol, so I have not done anything special" $85.7 \%(\mathrm{n}=251)$ of middle schoolers and $50.1 \%(\mathrm{n}=238)$ of high schoolers.

The three highest reported avoidance options for middle schoolers were the following:

- I have never been to a party where there has been drinking ( $18.9 \%$, $\mathrm{n}=57$ )
- I do not hang out with drinkers $(17.3 \%, \mathrm{n}=52)$
- I tell people, "I don't want to drink" if I am offered alcohol ( $15.3 \%, \mathrm{n}=$ 46)

The three highest reported avoidance options for high schoolers were the following:

- I tell people, "I don't want to drink" if I am offered alcohol ( $23.8 \%$, $\mathrm{n}=113$ )
- I drink alcohol, so I do not try to avoid drinking ( $20.4 \%, \mathrm{n}=97$ )
- I avoid parties where students drink ( $12.0 \%, \mathrm{n}=57$ )

For a graphic representation of this data, please see the following page.

Table 31: Student Strategies for Avoiding Drinking Alcohol

| When you have been at a party or just hanging out with other students, what, if anything, have you done to avoid drinking alcohol? (Select all that apply) | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| I don't drink alcohol, so I have not done anything special | 250 | 82.5\% | 233 | 44.5\% | 196 | 78.4\% | 257 | 46.4\% | 250 | 87.1\% | 244 | 45.8\% | 245 | 81.4\% | 238 | 50.1\% |
| I drink alcohol, so I do not try to avoid drinking | 10 | 3.3\% | 151 | 28.8\% | 7 | 2.8\% | 130 | 23.5\% | 5 | 1.7\% | 113 | 21.2\% | 10 | 3.3\% | 97 | 20.4\% |
| I avoid parties where students drink | 32 | 10.6\% | 46 | 8.8\% | 28 | 11.2\% | 41 | 7.4\% | 27 | 9.4\% | 57 | 10.7\% | 34 | 11.3\% | 57 | 12.0\% |
| I do not hang out with drinkers | 47 | 15.5\% | 39 | 7.4\% | 28 | 11.2\% | 55 | 9.9\% | 33 | 11.5\% | 46 | 8.6\% | 52 | 17.3\% | 41 | 8.6\% |
| I leave a party if other students start to drink | 20 | 6.6\% | 14 | 2.7\% | 10 | 4.0\% | 9 | 1.6\% | 15 | 5.2\% | 11 | 2.1\% | 21 | 7.0\% | 17 | 3.6\% |
| I stay at the party, but try to avoid the drinkers | 16 | 5.3\% | 39 | 7.4\% | 11 | 4.4\% | 36 | 6.5\% | 7 | 2.4\% | 33 | 6.2\% | 13 | 4.3\% | 36 | 7.6\% |
| I tell people, "I don't want to drink" if I am offered alcohol | 41 | 13.5\% | 120 | 22.9\% | 30 | 12.0\% | 117 | 21.1\% | 33 | 11.5\% | 111 | 20.8\% | 46 | 15.3\% | 113 | 23.8\% |
| I try to get students who drink to stop drinking | 14 | 4.6\% | 10 | 1.9\% | 10 | 4.0\% | 14 | 2.5\% | 11 | 3.8\% | 10 | 1.9\% | 11 | 3.7\% | 13 | 2.7\% |
| I pretend to be drinking alcohol by holding a beer or other drink | 1 | 0.3\% | 22 | 4.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 17 | 3.1\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 14 | 2.6\% | 5 | 1.7\% | 18 | 3.8\% |
| I have never been to a party where there has been drinking | 57 | 18.8\% | 34 | 6.5\% | 40 | 16.0\% | 63 | 11.4\% | 51 | 17.8\% | 48 | 9.0\% | 57 | 18.9\% | 46 | 9.7\% |

Figure 19


## Protective Factors: What Prevents

## Students From Drinking

Students were asked, "What prevents you from drinking alcohol?" The three highest reported reasons for middle schoolers to NOT drink alcohol (see Table 32) were the following:

- Negative health effects ( $72.4 \%, \mathrm{n}=269$ )
- Getting into trouble with my parents ( $70.1 \%, \mathrm{n}=211$ )
- Getting into trouble with the police $(66.4 \%, \mathrm{n}=200)$

The three highest reported reasons for high schoolers to NOT drink alcohol were the following:

- Getting into trouble with my parents ( $60.6 \%, \mathrm{n}=283$ )
- Negative health effects ( $57.6 \%, \mathrm{n}=269$ )
- Getting into trouble with the police $(54.2 \%, \mathrm{n}=253)$

Table 32: Student Responses to the Question "What prevents you from drinking alcohol?"

|  | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Getting into trouble with my parents | 225 | 74.5\% | 276 | 53.0\% | 183 | 73.5\% | 301 | 55.9\% | 207 | 72.1\% | 267 | 51.9\% | 211 | 70.1\% | 283 | 60.6\% |
| Getting into trouble with the police | 203 | 67.2\% | 274 | 52.6\% | 166 | 66.7\% | 265 | 49.3\% | 195 | 67.9\% | 218 | 42.4\% | 200 | 66.4\% | 253 | 54.2\% |
| Negative health effects | 220 | 72.8\% | 246 | 47.2\% | 178 | 71.5\% | 269 | 50.0\% | 231 | 80.5\% | 260 | 50.6\% | 218 | 72.4\% | 269 | 57.6\% |
| Negatively affecting my friendships | 172 | 57.0\% | 138 | 26.5\% | 128 | 51.4\% | 137 | 25.5\% | 180 | 62.7\% | 120 | 23.3\% | 161 | 53.5\% | 132 | 28.3\% |
| Negatively affecting my schoolwork | 179 | 59.3\% | 183 | 35.1\% | 155 | 62.2\% | 195 | 36.2\% | 193 | 67.2\% | 175 | 34.0\% | 164 | 54.5\% | 188 | 40.3\% |
| Losing eligibility for/getting suspended from sports | 168 | 55.6\% | 220 | 42.2\% | 134 | 53.8\% | 213 | 39.6\% | 180 | 62.7\% | 153 | 29.8\% | 172 | 57.1\% | 193 | 41.3\% |
| Other | 111 | 36.8\% | 163 | 31.3\% | 88 | 35.3\% | 175 | 32.5\% | 125 | 43.6\% | 168 | 32.7\% | 103 | 34.2\% | 126 | 27.0\% |
| Nothing | 21 | 7.0\% | 109 | 20.9\% | 15 | 6.0\% | 90 | 16.7\% | 17 | 5.9\% | 87 | 16.9\% | 23 | 7.6\% | 70 | 15.0\% |

Figure 20


## Social Norms: Perceived Alcohol Use

In order to determine student perception of alcohol use, students were asked to indicate what percentage of students they believed used alcohol in the past month (see Table 33 for results). Only $38.7 \%$ of middle school students and $4.9 \%$ of high school students do not think any of their fellow students have used alcohol in the past month. Further, $40.0 \%$ of middle school students and $5.1 \%$ of high school students think that a few ( $1-10 \%$ ) of students in their grade are using alcohol, $15.0 \%$ of middle school students and $8.6 \%$ of high school students think that some ( $11-30 \%$ ) are using alcohol, $4.3 \%$ of middle school students and $20.5 \%$ of high school students think that half or less ( $31-50 \%$ ) are using alcohol, $1.3 \%$ of middle school students and $35.4 \%$ of high school students think that half or more (51-70\%) are using alcohol, $0.7 \%$ of middle school students and $19.2 \%$ of high school students think that most $(71-90 \%)$ are using alcohol, and $0 \%$ of middle school students
and $6.3 \%$ of high school students think that almost all (91-100\%) are using alcohol.

From the data presented in Table 33, Bach Harrison calculated the average percentage of students that the two groups feel are using alcohol at their school. The findings of these calculations are presented in Figure 21 on the following page, along with the percentage of students reporting having used alcohol in the past month (previously referenced in this report). According to the data presented in Figure 18 on the following page, middle school students perceive that $8.4 \%$ of their peers have used alcohol in the past month; however, the actual use rate for this group is only $4.4 \%$. Likewise, high school students perceived that $53.28 \%$ of students in their school had used alcohol in the past month; whereas, the actual use rate was $33.5 \%$.

Table 33: Student Perceptions of Peer Alcohol Use in the Past Month

| Now think about all the students in your grade at your school. How many of them do you think drank some alcohol in the past month? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School <br> Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School <br> Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| None (0\%) | 88 | 29.2\% | 12 | 2.3\% | 96 | 38.6\% | 15 | 2.7\% | 123 | 43.2\% | 17 | 3.2\% | 116 | 38.7\% | 23 | 4.9\% |
| Few (1-10\%) | 134 | 44.5\% | 29 | 5.6\% | 103 | 41.4\% | 24 | 4.4\% | 121 | 42.5\% | 31 | 5.9\% | 120 | 40.0\% | 24 | 5.1\% |
| Some (11-30\%) | 54 | 17.9\% | 49 | 9.4\% | 34 | 13.7\% | 74 | 13.4\% | 29 | 10.2\% | 76 | 14.4\% | 45 | 15.0\% | 41 | 8.6\% |
| Half or less (31-50\%) | 16 | 5.3\% | 104 | 19.9\% | 8 | 3.2\% | 148 | 26.9\% | 10 | 3.5\% | 126 | 23.8\% | 13 | 4.3\% | 97 | 20.5\% |
| Half or more (51-70\%) | 4 | 1.3\% | 183 | 35.1\% | 4 | 1.6\% | 194 | 35.2\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 179 | 33.8\% | 4 | 1.3\% | 168 | 35.4\% |
| Most (71-90\%) | 4 | 1.3\% | 118 | 22.6\% | 3 | 1.2\% | 79 | 14.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 84 | 15.9\% | 2 | 0.7\% | 91 | 19.2\% |
| Almost all (91-100\%) | 1 | 0.3\% | 27 | 5.2\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 17 | 3.1\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 16 | 3.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 30 | 6.3\% |

Figure 21
Perceived Student Alcohol Use Compared to Actual Reported Use: Martha's Vineyard MS and HS Survey Respondents (2018)


## Social Norms: Perceived Binge Drinking

In order to determine student perception of binge drinking, students were asked to indicate what percentage of students they believed had five or more drinks of alcohol in a row in the past month (see Table 34 for results). While $71.3 \%$ of middle school students felt that none of their peers binge drank in the past month, only $9.1 \%$ of high schoolers felt that none of their peers had binge drink. Middle school students were more likely to perceived that $\mathrm{Few}(1-10 \%)$ of their peers binge drank ( $20.7 \%$ ) or Some ( $11-30 \%$ ) of their peers binge drink ( $6.0 \%$ ). While high school students were more likely to perceived that Half or less ( $31-50 \%$ ) of their peers binge drink $(24.3 \%)$ or Half or more $(51-70 \%)$ of their peers binge drink (23.6\%).

From the data presented in Table 34, Bach Harrison calculated the average percentage of students that the two groups feel have binge drank recently at their school. The findings of these calculations are presented in Figure 22 on the following page, along with the percentage of students reporting having binge drank in the past month (previously referenced in this report). According to the data presented in Figure 19 on the following page, middle school students perceive that $3.4 \%$ of their peers have binge drank in the past month; however, the actual use rate for this group is only $1.3 \%$. Likewise, high school students perceived that $36.5 \%$ of students in their school had binge drank in the past month; whereas, the actual rate was $21.5 \%$.

Table 34: Student Perceptions of Peer Binge Drinking in the Past Month

| Now think about all the students in your grade at your school. How many of them do you think had 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row, that is, within a couple of hours? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| None (0\%) | 195 | 64.8\% | 38 | 7.3\% | 183 | 73.5\% | 39 | 7.1\% | 233 | 81.8\% | 46 | 8.7\% | 214 | 71.3\% | 43 | 9.1\% |
| Few (1-10\%) | 70 | 23.3\% | 85 | 16.3\% | 51 | 20.5\% | 102 | 18.6\% | 42 | 14.7\% | 120 | 22.6\% | 62 | 20.7\% | 70 | 14.9\% |
| Some (11-30\%) | 22 | 7.3\% | 109 | 20.9\% | 10 | 4.0\% | 144 | 26.3\% | 9 | 3.2\% | 127 | 24.0\% | 18 | 6.0\% | 89 | 18.9\% |
| Half or less (31-50\%) | 9 | 3.0\% | 141 | 27.0\% | 3 | 1.2\% | 142 | 26.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 121 | 22.8\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 114 | 24.3\% |
| Half or more (51-70\%) | 2 | 0.7\% | 102 | 19.5\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 94 | 17.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 78 | 14.7\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 111 | 23.6\% |
| Most (71-90\%) | 2 | 0.7\% | 41 | 7.9\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 23 | 4.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 33 | 6.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 33 | 7.0\% |
| Almost all (91-100\%) | 1 | 0.3\% | 6 | 1.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.5\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 5 | 0.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 10 | 2.1\% |

Figure 22


## Social Norms: Perceived Marijuana Use

In order to determine student perception of marijuana use, students were asked to indicate what percentage of students they believed used marijuana in the past month (see Table 35 for results). Only $42.6 \%$ of middle school students and $4.2 \%$ of high school students do not think any of their fellow students have used marijuana in the past month. Middle school students were more likely to perceived that Few ( $1-10 \%$ ) of their peers used marijuana ( $34.0 \%$ ) or Some (11-30\%) of their peers used ( $13.8 \%$ ). While high school students were more likely to perceived that Half or more (51-70\%) of their peers used marijuana ( $24.3 \%$ ) or Most ( $71-90 \%$ ) of their peers misused (29.1\%).

From the data presented in Table 35, Bach Harrison calculated the average percentage of students that the two groups feel are using marijuana at their school. The findings of these calculations are presented in Figure 23, along with the percentage of students reporting having used marijuana in the past month (previously referenced in this report). According to the data presented in Figure 23 on the following page, middle school students perceive that $9.8 \%$ of their peers have used marijuana in the past month; however, the actual use rate for this group is only $4.4 \%$. Likewise, high school students perceived that $58.2 \%$ of students in their school had used marijuana in the past month; whereas, the actual use rate was $28.3 \%$.

Table 35: Student Perceptions of Peer Marijuana Use in the Past Month

| Now think about all the students in your grade at your school. How many of them do you think used marijuana in the past month? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| None (0\%) | 113 | 37.4\% | 17 | 3.3\% | 109 | 44.5\% | 19 | 3.4\% | 121 | 42.6\% | 22 | 4.2\% | 124 | 41.8\% | 30 | 6.4\% |
| Few (1-10\%) | 116 | 38.4\% | 35 | 6.7\% | 83 | 33.9\% | 20 | 3.6\% | 112 | 39.4\% | 23 | 4.3\% | 101 | 34.0\% | 21 | 4.5\% |
| Some (11-30\%) | 42 | 13.9\% | 49 | 9.4\% | 35 | 14.3\% | 70 | 12.7\% | 37 | 13.0\% | 42 | 7.9\% | 41 | 13.8\% | 31 | 6.6\% |
| Half or less (31-50\%) | 22 | 7.3\% | 103 | 19.7\% | 12 | 4.9\% | 113 | 20.5\% | 7 | 2.5\% | 103 | 19.5\% | 19 | 6.4\% | 69 | 14.6\% |
| Half or more (51-70\%) | 6 | 2.0\% | 158 | 30.3\% | 4 | 1.6\% | 161 | 29.2\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 158 | 29.9\% | 11 | 3.7\% | 132 | 28.0\% |
| Most (71-90\%) | 1 | 0.3\% | 106 | 20.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 133 | 24.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 136 | 25.7\% | 1 | 0.3\% | 137 | 29.1\% |
| Almost all (91-100\%) | 2 | 0.7\% | 54 | 10.3\% | 2 | 0.8\% | 35 | 6.4\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 45 | 8.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 51 | 10.8\% |

Figure 23


## Social Norms: Perceived Prescription Drug Use

In order to determine student perception of prescription drug use, students were asked to indicate what percentage of students they believed used prescription drugs in the past month (see Table 36 for results). A majority (70.4\%) of middle school students and $17.4 \%$ of high school students do not think any of their fellow students have used prescription drugs (for unintended purposes) in the past month. Middle school students were more likely to perceived that Few (1-10\%) of their peers misused prescription drugs (23.2.0\%) or Some (11-30\%) of their peers misused (4.4\%). While high school students were more likely to perceived that Few (1-10\%) of their peers misused prescription drugs (38.7\%) or Some (11-30\%) of their peers misused (21.9\%).

From the data presented in Table 36, Bach Harrison calculated the average percentage of students the two groups feel are using prescription drugs at their school. The findings of these calculations are presented in Figure 21 on the following page, along with the percentage of students reporting having used prescription drugs in the past month (previously referenced in this report). According to the data presented in Figure 24 on the following page, middle school students perceive that $3.2 \%$ of their peers have used prescription drugs in the past month; the actual use rate for this group is slightly less ( $2.4 \%$ ). High school students perceived that $18.0 \%$ of students in their school had used prescription drugs in the past month; whereas, the actual use rate was $6.6 \%$.

Table 36: Student Perceptions of Peer Prescription Drug Use in the Past Month

| Now think about all the students in your grade at your school. How many of them do you think used prescription medication without a doctor's orders in the past month? | 2012 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle SchoolYouth(7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| None (0\%) | 201 | 67.2\% | 75 | 14.4\% | 142 | 57.7\% | 71 | 13.0\% | 204 | 72.9\% | 77 | 14.7\% | 209 | 70.4\% | 82 | 17.4\% |
| Few (1-10\%) | 81 | 27.1\% | 271 | 52.0\% | 85 | 34.6\% | 271 | 49.7\% | 68 | 24.3\% | 273 | 52.2\% | 69 | 23.2\% | 182 | 38.7\% |
| Some (11-30\%) | 11 | 3.7\% | 122 | 23.4\% | 15 | 6.1\% | 140 | 25.7\% | 6 | 2.1\% | 107 | 20.5\% | 13 | 4.4\% | 103 | 21.9\% |
| Half or less (31-50\%) | 5 | 1.7\% | 37 | 7.1\% | 3 | 1.2\% | 45 | 8.3\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 44 | 8.4\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 65 | 13.8\% |
| Half or more (51-70\%) | 0 | 0.0\% | 11 | 2.1\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 14 | 2.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 13 | 2.5\% | 3 | 1.0\% | 21 | 4.5\% |
| Most (71-90\%) | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 0.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 8 | 1.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 12 | 2.6\% |
| Almost all (91-100\%) | 1 | 0.3\% | 2 | 0.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 1 | 0.4\% | 1 | 0.2\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 1.1\% |

Figure 24


## Social Norms: Substance Use at Home

The 2016 and 2018 Surveys asked students to anonymously report whether anyone (other than themselves) in their household was using cigarettes, marijuana, illegal drugs, alcohol to excess, or prescription medication (without a doctor's permission). Of middle school survey participants, $22.3 \%$ indicated someone living with them that smoked, $11.1 \%$ indicated someone who "drinks too much," $14.0 \%$ indicated someone who smokes marijuana, $1.8 \%$ indicated someone who uses illegal drugs other than mar-
ijuana, and $1.4 \%$ indicated someone who uses prescription drugs outside of a doctor's prescription. As for high school survey participants, 20.1\% indicated someone living with them smoked, $14.3 \%$ indicated someone who "drinks too much," $24.9 \%$ indicated someone who smokes marijuana, $3.1 \%$ indicated someone who uses illegal drugs other than marijuana, and $3.8 \%$ indicated someone who uses prescription drugs outside of a doctor's prescription.

Table 37: Student Responses to the Question "Is there anyone (other than you) living in your household who:"

|  | 2016 |  |  |  | 2018 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  | Middle School Youth (7th-8th) |  | High School Youth (9th-12th) |  |
|  | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% | \# | \% |
| Smokes cigarettes? | 71 | 25.2\% | 121 | 23.9\% | 64 | 22.3\% | 85 | 20.1\% |
| You think drinks too much? | 32 | 11.4\% | 87 | 17.1\% | 32 | 11.1\% | 60 | 14.3\% |
| Smokes marijuana? | 27 | 9.7\% | 125 | 24.9\% | 39 | 14.0\% | 105 | 24.9\% |
| Uses illegal drugs other than marijuana? | 7 | 2.6\% | 15 | 3.0\% | 5 | 1.8\% | 13 | 3.1\% |
| Abuses prescription medication (meaning they use it in a way that was NOT prescribed by a doctor or to get high)? | 3 | 1.1\% | 12 | 2.4\% | 4 | 1.4\% | 16 | 3.8\% |

## Sexual/Dating Violence and Sex Behavior

New questions were added to the High School YRBS to gather data regarding sexual/dating violence and sex behavior. All questions were also included on the 2017 Massachusetts and National YRBS forms (see Table 38 for full data). In comparison to Massachusetts high school students and students at a national level, Martha's Vineyard high school students report a lower rate of having been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to (4.0\% MV HS, $6.8 \%$ MA HS, and $7.4 \%$ National HS) and a lower rate of having been forced to do sexual things they did not want to do one or more times in the past year ( $8.7 \%$ MV HS, 10.4\% MA HS, and 9.7\% National HS). However, Martha's Vineyard high school students (in comparison to state and national data) reported a similar rate of being forced by someone they were dating or going out with to do sexual things that they did not want to do ( $6.8 \%$ MV HS, $5.8 \%$ MA HS, 6.9\% National HS).

In terms of dating violence, $3.1 \%$ of Martha's Vineyard high school students reported being physically hurt by someone they were dating ( $5.6 \%$ at the state level and $8.0 \%$ at the national level).

One additional sex behavior item was asked -- "Did you drink alcohol or use drugs before you had sexual intercourse the last time?" $8.5 \%$ of Martha's Vineyard high school students answered "yes" to this question. At the state level, $18.2 \%$ of high school students answered "yes" to the question; and at the national level, $18.8 \%$ of high school students answered yes to the question.

Table 38: High School Student Responses to Questions Regarding Sexual/Dating Violence and Sex Behavior

|  | High School Youth <br> (9th-12th) <br> 2018 |  | State YRBS <br> High School | National YRBS <br> High School |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ |
| Have you ever been physically forced to have sexual intercourse when you did not <br> want to? (Those answering "yes") | 17 | $4.0 \%$ | $6.8 \%$ | $7.4 \%$ |
| During the past 12 months, how many times did anyone force you to do sexual <br> things that you did not want to do? (Those answering 1 or more times) | 37 | $8.7 \%$ | $10.4 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ |
| During the past 12 months, how many times did someone you were dating or <br> going out with force you to do sexual things that you did not want to do? (Those <br> answering 1 or more times) | 29 | $6.8 \%$ | $5.8 \%$ | $6.9 \%$ |
| During the past 12 months, how many times did someone you were dating or <br> going out with physically hurt you on purpose? (Those answering 1 or more times) | 13 | $3.1 \%$ | $5.6 \%$ | $8.0 \%$ |
| Did you drink alcohol or use drugs before you had sexual intercourse the last time? <br> (Those answering "yes") | 36 | $8.5 \%$ | $18.2 \%$ | $18.8 \%$ |

Figure 24


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