ennsylvania Youth Survey

Thank you for agreeing to participate in this survey. The survey asks your opinion about a number of things in your life, including your friends, your family, your neighborhood and your community. Your answers to these questions will be <u>confidential</u>. This means your answers will stay secret. Your name will never be asked. Please <u>do not</u> write your name on this survey form.

This survey is completely voluntary. You may skip any question you don't want to answer.

Other students have said they enjoy taking part in these surveys. We hope you will, too. <u>Be sure to read the instructions before you mark any answers</u>. Thank you very much.

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- 1. This is not a test, so there are no right or wrong answers.
- 2. Each question should be answered by marking only one of the answer spaces. If you don't find an answer that fits exactly, use one that comes closest. If any question does not apply to you, or you are not sure of what it means, just leave it blank.
- 3. Your answers will be read by a computer. Please follow these instructions carefully.
 - Use a #2 pencil only.
 - Make heavy marks inside the circles.
 - Completely erase any answer you want to change.
 - Make no other markings or comments on the answer pages.
- 4. Some of the questions have the following format:

Please fill in the circle for the word that best describes how you feel.

EXAMPLE: Pepperoni pizza is one of my favorite foods.

NO! no yes YES!

Mark (the Big) NO! if you think the statement is definitely not true for you.

Mark (the little) no if you think the statement is mostly not true for you.

Mark (the little) yes if you think the statement is mostly true for you.

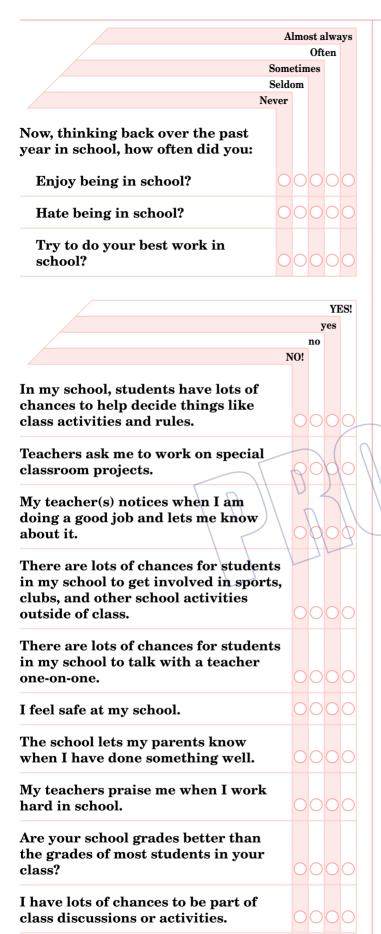
Mark (the Big) YES! if you think the statement is definitely true for you.

In the example above, the student marked yes because he or she thinks the statement is <u>mostly true</u>. (Please mark only one answer for each question or statement.)

How old are you? 10 11 12 13 14 15	Putting them all together, what were your grades like last year? Mostly F's Mostly D's Mostly C's Mostly B's Mostly A's
<u> </u>	During the LAST FOUR WEEKS, how many whole
0 17	days have you missed because you skipped or "cut"?
<u>0</u> 18	None
19 or older	\bigcirc 1
	○ 2 ○ 3
What grade are you in?	0 4-5
○ 6th	O 6-10
7th	11 or more
O 8th	
9th	How often do you feel that the schoolwork you
10th	are assigned is meaningful and important?
11th 12th	Almost always Often
1201	Sometimes
	Seldom
Are you:	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
Female	
○ Male	How interesting are most of your courses to you? Very interesting and stimulating
	Quite interesting
What do you consider yourself to be?	Fairly interesting
(choose all that apply)	Slightly dull
○ White	○ Very dull
Black or African American	
American Indian/Native American, Eskimo or Aleut	How important do you think the things you are
Spanish/Hispanic/Latino Asian or Pacific Islander	learning in school are going to be for your later life?
Other (Please specify:)	Very important
Outlot (1 loade specify.	Quite important
What is the language you use most often at home?	Fairly important
○ English	Slightly important
○ Spanish	Not at all important
Another language (Please angelfy)	

This section asks about your experiences at school.

These questions ask for some general information about you. Please mark the response that best describes you.



These questions ask about your feelings and experiences in other parts of your life.

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Think of your <u>four best friends</u> (the friends you feel closest to). In the past year (12 months), how many of your best friends have:					
Smoked cigarettes?	0	0	0	0	C
Tried beer, wine or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey or gin) when their parents didn't know about it?	0	0	0	0	C
Used marijuana?	0	0	0	0	C
Used LSD, cocaine, amphetamines, or other illegal drugs?	0	0	0	0	C
Been suspended from school?	0	0	0	0	C
Carried a handgun?	0	0	0	0	C
Sold illegal drugs?	0	0	0	0	C
Stolen or tried to steal a motor vehicle such as a car or motorcycle?	0	0	0	0	C
Been arrested?	0	0	0	0	C
Dropped out of school?	0	0	0	0	C
Been members of a gang?	0	0	0	0	C
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No or very little char		lce			
What are the chances you would be seen as cool if you:					
Smoked cigarettes?	0	0	0	0	C
Began drinking alcoholic beverages regularly, that is, at least once or twice a month?	0	0		0	C
Smoked marijuana?	0	0	0	0	C
Carried a handgun?			\bigcirc	\bigcirc	

The next section asks about your experience with tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs. Please fill in the circle for the answer that best describes how often you use or have used each drug. Remember, your answers are confidential. This means your answers will stay secret.

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	Use about once	or twic	e a n	non	th	
U	se about once o	or twice	a ye	ar		
Used before	e, but not in th	e past y	ear			
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WINE (wine, champa	igne)	C		0		
LIQUOR (vodka, whi	skey, etc.)	C		0	00	
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Two packs or more per day

10 to 19 occasions 6 to 9 occasions 3 to 5 occasions 1 or 2 occasions 0 occasions On how many occasions (if any) have you: Had beer, wine, or hard liquor in your lifetime? Had beer, wine, or hard liquor during the past 30 days? Used marijuana in your lifetime? Used marijuana during the past 30 days? Sniffed glue, breathed the contents of an aerosol spray can, or inhaled other gases or sprays in order to get high in your lifetime? Sniffed glue, breathed the contents of an aerosol spray can, or inhaled other gases or sprays in order to get high during the past 30 days? Used cocaine in your <u>lifetime</u>? Used cocaine during the past 30 days? Used crack in your <u>lifetime</u>? Used crack during the past 30 days? Used heroin in your <u>lifetime</u>? Used heroin during the past 30 days? Used hallucinogens (acid, LSD, shrooms) in your <u>lifetime</u>? Used hallucinogens (acid, LSD, shrooms) during the past 30 days?

40 or more occasions

20 to 39 occasions

40 or more occasions 20 to 39 occasions 10 to 19 occasions 6 to 9 occasions 3 to 5 occasions 1 or 2 occasions 0 occasions On how many occasions (if any) have you: Used derbisol in your lifetime? Used derbisol during the past 30 days? Used methamphetamine (meth, crystal meth, crank) in your lifetime? Used methamphetamine (meth, crystal meth, crank) during the past 30 days? Used Ecstasy in your lifetime? **Used Ecstasy during the** past 30 days? Taken steroids without a doctor's orders in your lifetime? Taken steroids without a doctor's orders during the past 30 days?

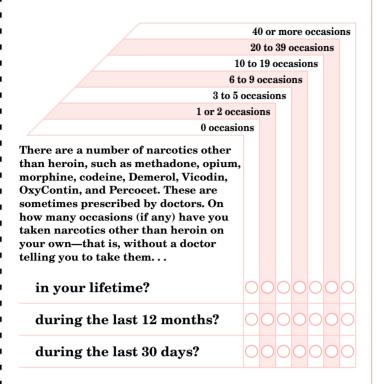
This section asks you questions about your use of prescription drugs.

40 or more occasions 20 to 39 occasions 10 to 19 occasions 6 to 9 occasions 3 to 5 occasions 1 or 2 occasions 0 occasions Amphetamines have been prescribed by doctors to help people lose weight or to give people more energy. They are sometimes called uppers, ups, speed, bennies, dexies, pep pills, and diet pills. Drugstores are not supposed to sell them without a prescription from a doctor. Amphetamines do NOT include any non-prescription drugs, such as over-the-counter diet pills (like Dexatrim®) or stay-awake pills (like No-Doz®), or any mail-order drugs. On how many occasions (if any) have you taken amphetamines on your own-that is, without a doctor telling you to take them... in your lifetime? during the last 12 months? during the last 30 days? Sedatives, including barbiturates, are sometimes prescribed by doctors to help people relax or get to sleep. They are sometimes called downs or downers, and include phenobarbital, Tuinal, Nembutal, and Seconal. On how many occasions (if any) have you taken sedatives on your own—that is, without a doctor telling you to take them... in your lifetime? during the last 12 months? during the last 30 days? Tranquilizers are sometimes prescribed by doctors to calm people down, quiet their nerves, or relax their muscles. Librium, Valium, and Xanax are all tranquilizers. On how many occasions (if any) have you taken tranquilizers on your own-that is, without a doctor telling you to take them...

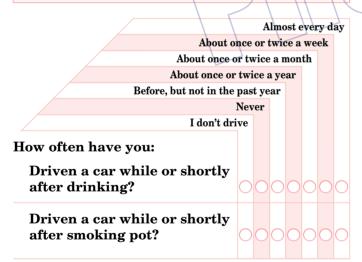
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during the last 12 months?

during the last 30 days?



These questions ask about experiences in other areas of your personal life.



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How many times in the past year (12 months) have you:								
Been suspended from school?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sold illegal drugs?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
Stolen or tried to steal a motor vehicle such as a car or motorcycle?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Been arrested?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Attacked someone with the idea of seriously hurting them?	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Been drunk or high at school?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
How many times in the <u>past</u> 30 days have you brought a weapon (such as a gun, knife or club) to school?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Have you ever belonged to a g ○ No ○ Yes	gan	ıg?						
If you have ever belonged to a gang have a name? No Yes I have never belonged to a gang.	a ga	anş	g, (dic	l t	ha	t	
Think back over the last two vitimes have you had five or moderinks in a row? None Once Twice 3-5 times							an	y

10 or more times



Not wrong at all A little bit wrong Wrong Very wrong How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to: Take a handgun to school? Steal anything worth more than \$5? Pick a fight with someone? Attack someone with the idea of seriously hurting them? Stay away from school all day when their parents think they are at school? Drink beer, wine or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey or gin) regularly? Smoke cigarettes? Smoke marijuana? Use LSD, cocaine, amphetamines or another illegal drug?

Great risk

Moderate risk
Slight risk
No risk

How much do you think people risk
harming themselves (physically or in
other ways) if they:

Smoke one or more packs of
cigarettes per day?

Try marijuana once or twice?

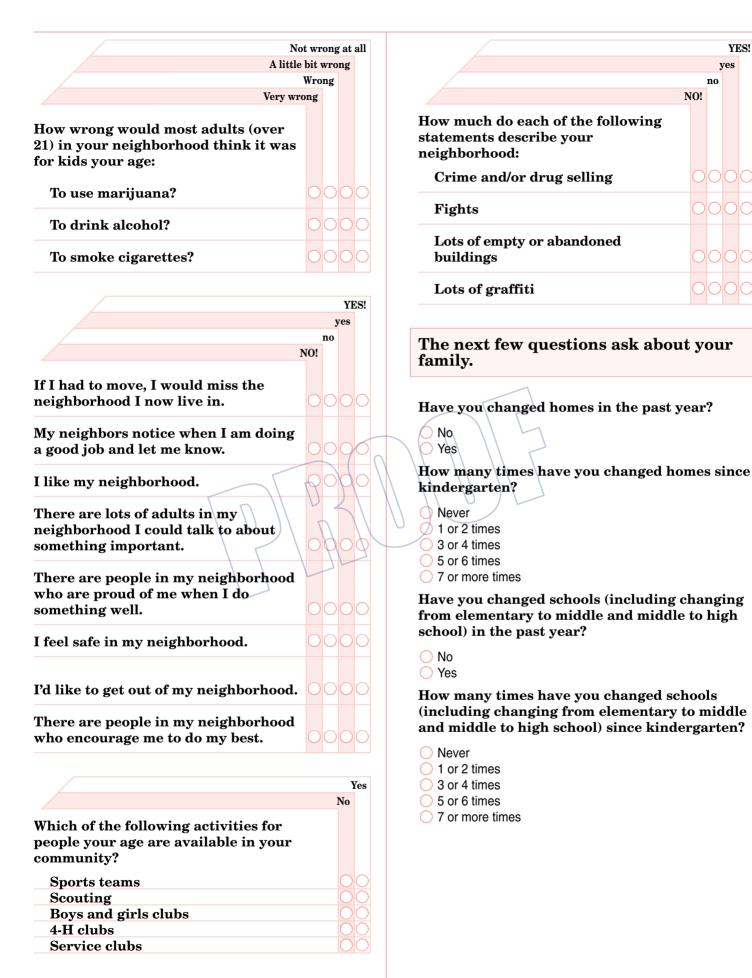
Smoke marijuana regularly?

Take one or two drinks of an
alcoholic beverage (beer, wine,
liquor) nearly every day?

These questions ask about the neighborhood and community where you live.

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So	rt o	f ea	sy	
Sort o	f ha	rd		
Very ha	ard			
If you wanted to get some beer, wine or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey, or gin), how easy would it be for you to get some?	0	0	0	C
If you wanted to get some cigarettes, how easy would it be for you to get some?	0	0	0	C
If you wanted to get a drug like cocaine, LSD, or amphetamines, how easy would it be for you to get some?	0	0	0	C
If you wanted to get some marijuana, how easy would it be for you to get some?	0	0	0	C
If you wanted to get a handgun, how easy would it be for you to get one?	0	0	0	C

			YE	ES!
		3	es	
		no		
	NO!			
If a kid smoked marijuana in your neighborhood, would he or she be caught by the police?	0	0		0
If a kid drank some beer, wine or hard liquor (for example, vodka, whiskey, or gin) in your neighborhood, would he or she be caught by the police?	0	0	0	0
If a kid carried a handgun in your neighborhood, would he or she be caught by the police?	0	0		



YES!

yes

no

(Choose all that ap	eople live there with you? oply.)	dı al
Mother Stepmother Foster mother Grandmother Aunt	FatherStepfatherFoster fatherGrandfatherUncle	
Other adults		
Brother(s) Stepbrother(s) Sister(s) Stepsister(s)		AL
Other children		MA We
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Think of where you live most of the time. Which

Please fill in the circle for the answer that best describes how willing you are to try or use the drugs listed below. These are not questions about current or past use of these drugs.

I would use it	any	ch	anc	e I į	got
I would like to try it or use it					
I'm not sure whether or not I wo	uld	use	e it		
I probably wouldn't	use	it			
I would never us	e it				
ALCOHOL (beer, wine,					
coolers, hard liquor)	\bigcirc	$ \bigcirc $	\bigcirc	\cup	
MARIJUANA (pot, hash, hemp,	\cup	$ \cup $	\cup	\cup	
weed)					
COCADIE (1 11 1 1)					
COCAINE (coke, snow, blow, dust)		\square	\cup	\cup	
HALLUCINOCENS (asid twin					
HALLUCINOGENS (acid, trip,					
LSD, shrooms)	\cup	\square	\cup	\cup	
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INHALANTS (whippets, butane, paint thinner)					
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This section asks about your gambling experiences. How old were you the first time you gambled (bet money or something of value on sports, a game of chance or skill, played the lottery, or bet cards or dice games)? Never have gambled 10 or younger

Never have gambled 10 or younger 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 or older	
In the past year, have yearything of value?	ou gambled for money or
○ Yes ○ No	
In the last 30 days, have or anything of value?	e you gambled for money
Yes No	
In the past year, have ye thinking about gamblin	ou often found yourself g or planning to gamble?
Yes No	
In the past year, have you meant to on gambli	ou ever spent more than ng?
○ Yes ○ No	
In the past year, has you lies to your family?	ır gambling ever led to
○ Yes	

