

Alcohol and Drug Prevention Mountainside High School November 29, 2018

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What we will talk about:

- Perception vs. reality
- Data from WA Co. and BSD
- Emerging trends
- Reasons for substance use
- ▶ The adolescent brain, coping, and resilience
- Questions!



Perception

"People who abuse drugs or alcohol have low morals or weak character."

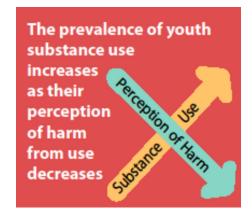
"Addiction to drugs or alcohol can be overcome by simple will power."

"Marijuana is not addictive."

"Prescription drugs are safer."

"The majority of youth use drugs or alcohol."

Are these views correct?



In the last month are 8th-graders...

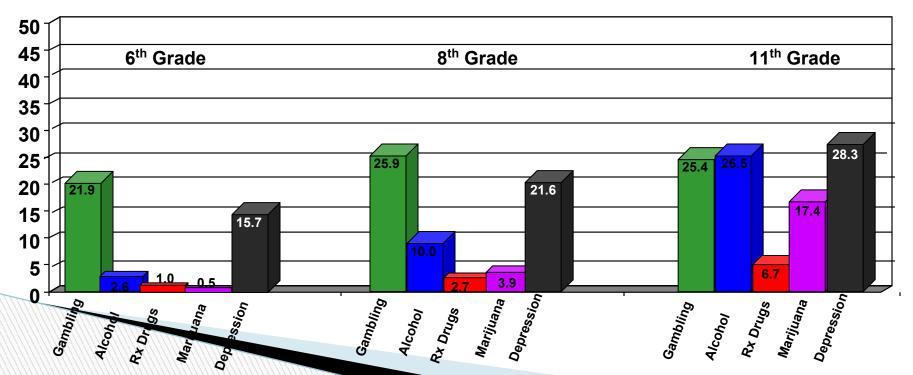
- A. Drinking alcohol more
- **B.** Ingesting THC more
- c. Gambling more
- D. Using Rx meds more

In the past month, are 11th-graders...

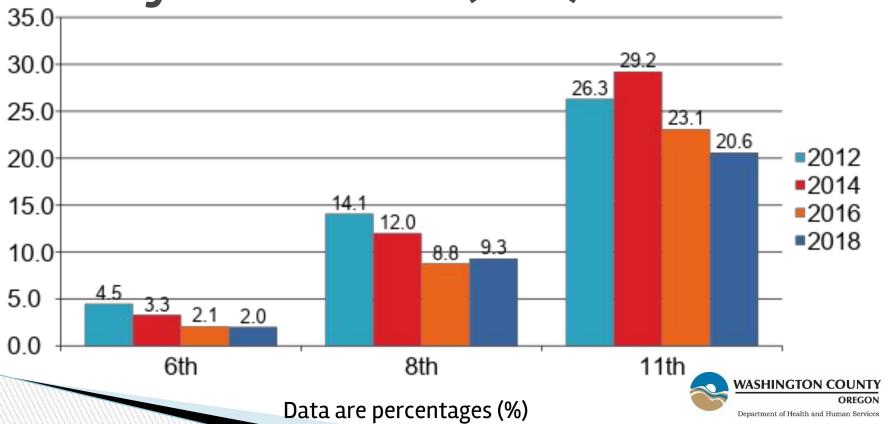
- A. Ingesting THC (marijuana) more?
- B. Drinking alcohol more?
- c. Using Rx meds more?
- D. Gambling more?

Risky Behavior and Washington County youth Past 30-Day Use

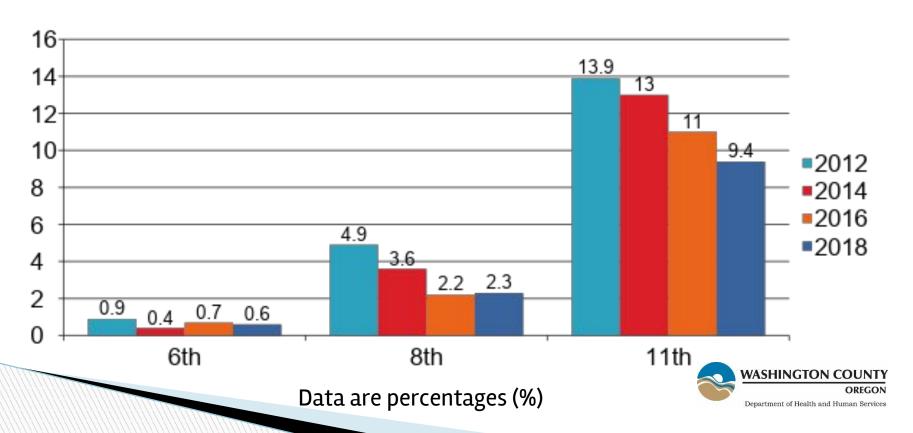
(2016 Oregon Student Wellness Survey n=9,112)



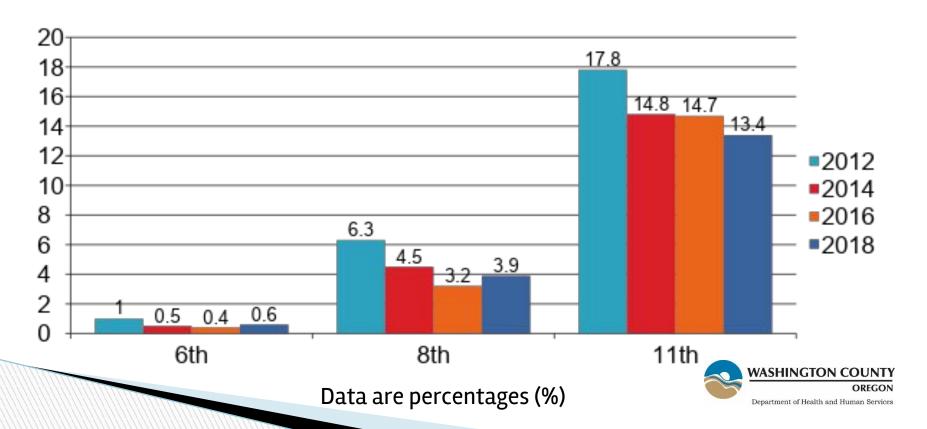
30 Day Alcohol Use (BSD)



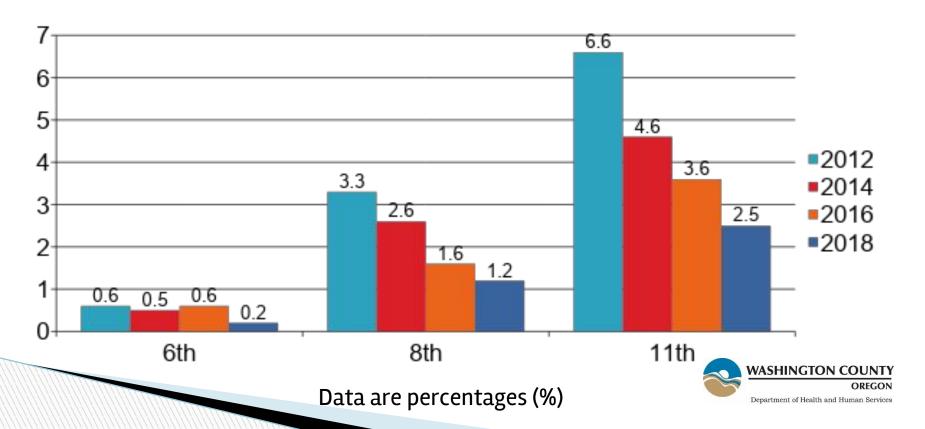
30 Day Binge Drinking (BSD)



30 Day Marijuana Use (BSD)



30 Day Cigarette Use (BSD)



So what is trending up? E-cigarettes and vaping (or "juuling")

2018 Student Wellness Survey Data (BSD in red)

- 29% of 11th graders have tried an e-cigarette/vaping product at some point (24%)
- 16% used some time in the last 30 days (13%)
- 55 % felt it would be "sort of easy or easy" to get e-cigs, vape-pens, or e-hookahs (52%)
- 43% don't disapprove of their peers using e-cigs/vape devices (38%)
- ▶ 60% of students don't believe there is risk of harm using e-cigs/vape (58%)





Healthier than Smoking?

Claims

- Safer
- Cleaner
- Vape isn't the same as smoke
- Better for the environment
- Cessation aid



What's in there?

FORMALDEHYDE.

ALSO FOUND IN DEAD PEOPLE.



ARSENIC.

LIKE IN BUG SPRAY.



THE STUFF THAT TURNS FIRWORKS PURPLE.



CADMIUM.

LIKE IN BATTERIES



LITHIUM

IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE.

IT'S ROCKET FUEL.



Designs











Flavors

- There are more than 7,700 unique e-cigarette flavors available online.
- An average of more than 240 new flavors are being added per month.
- One national study found that the odds increased by 89% that a flavored tobacco product would be used if the user was aged 18-24 years old compared to those aged 25-34 years old.



- Zhu, S-H, et al., "Four Hundred and Sixty Brands of E-cigarettes and Counting: Implications for Product Regulation," Tobacco Control, 23(Suppl 3):iii3-iii9, 2014.
- Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, Flavored Tobacco Products Attract Kids, June 6, 2016 / Laura Bach
- Villanti, AC, et al., "Fra. 2d Tobacco Product Use Among U.S. Young Adults," American Journal of Preventive Medicine 44(4):388–391, 2013



On September 12th, 2018 the FDA called e-cigarette use among youth an "epidemic" that requires "historic action."







Which population has a higher rate of disordered gambling?

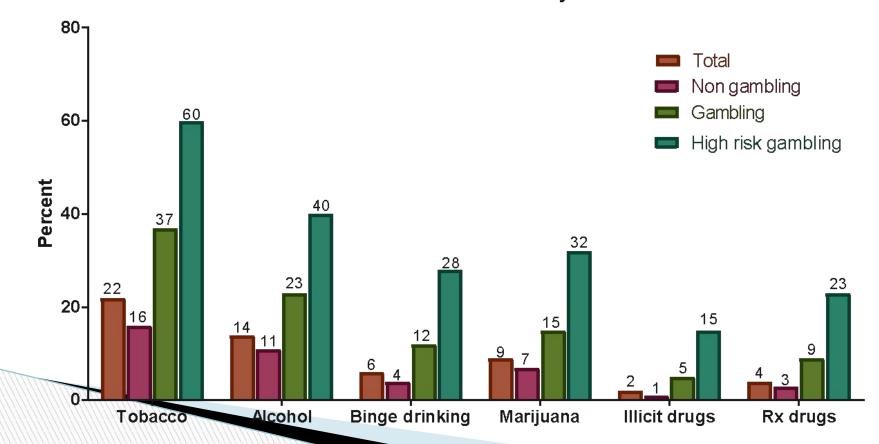
- A. Adults
- B. Youth
- c. They're about the same







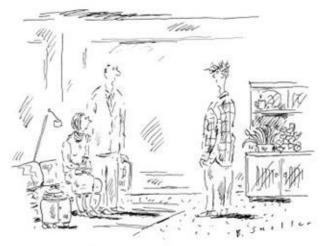
Substance use in past 30 days by gambling type in Washington County Student Wellness Survey 2016





Stress/Trauma and the Adolescent Brain

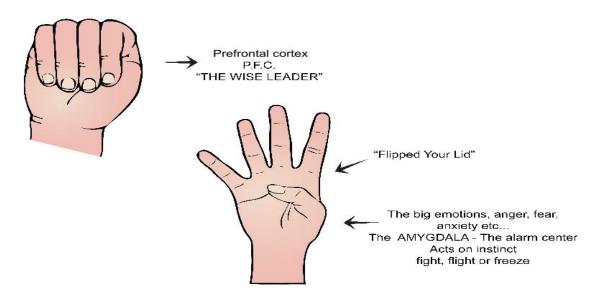
- Stress can impact a youth's body:
 - Higher resting heart rate
 - High startle response
 - High reactivity
 - Hyper-arousal
- Stress can impact a youth's brain:
 - Reduced frontal activity, increased lower brain activity
 - Difficulty problem-solving
 - Inhibited emotion-regulation
 - Lowered impulse control



"Young man, go to your room and stay there until your cerebral cortex matures."



"Flipping One's Lid"



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Stressors/Trauma Defined



Brief increases in heart rate, mild elevations in stress hormone levels.



Serious, temporary stress responses, buffered by supportive relationships.



Prolonged activation of stress response systems in the absence of protective relationships.

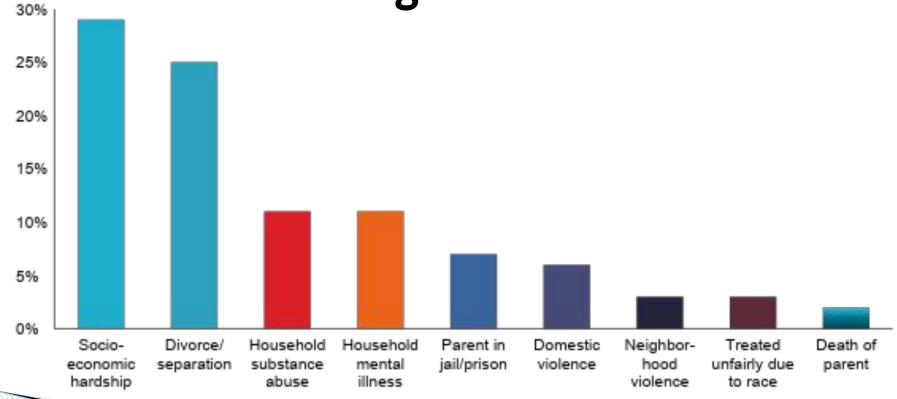








Prevalence in Oregon: Kids



Warning Signs

- Mood changes: flare-ups of temper, irritability, and defensiveness.
- School problems: poor attendance, low grades, and/or recent disciplinary action.
- · Rebellion against family rules.
- Friend changes: switching friends and a reluctance to have you get to know the new friends.
- A "nothing matters" attitude: sloppy appearance, a lack of involvement in former interests, and general low energy.
- Drug presence: finding it in your child's room or backpack, or smelling like drugs on his or her breath/clothes.
- Physical or mental problems: memory lapses, poor concentration, bloodshot eyes, lack of coordination, or slurred speech.



Resilience builders/ protective factors:

- Eating meals together as family
- Attending religious services
- Family reads together
- Family sings or tells stories together
- Youth has adult mentor





Cut out these pieces and put in random places on your bingo card. You won't use every piece!

TAKE A DEEP BREATH	RIDE A BIKE	COUNT TO 10	TAKE A BREAK	WRITE
CALL SOMEONE ON THE PHONE	TAKE A WALK	SEE A MOVIE	PLAY SOCCER	LISTEN TO MUSIC
USE POSITIVE SELF-TALK	USE AN I-STATEMENT	GO SWIMMING	TALK TO A FRIEND	TALK TO A PARENT
TALK TO A TEACHER	GO FISHING	PLAY FOOTBALL	IMAGINE A CALM PLACE	TAKE A BATH OR A SHOWER
GO FOR A RUN	RAKE LEAVES	соок	READ A BOOK	SHOP
CLEAN YOUR ROOM	GO OUT TO	FLY A KITE	PLAY WITH CLAY	TAKE A NAP
COUNT TO 50	COUNT TO 100	DRAW	STOP & THINK	PLAY WITH PETS

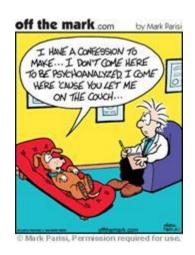
	COPING TOOLS: What Helps Me					
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	Read A Book or Magazine	Ride a Bike or Skateboard				
	Journal or Write a Letter	Cook or Bake				
	Use Kind & Compassionate Self-Talk	Ask for Help				
	Make a Collage or Scrapbook	☐ Talk to Someone You Trust				
	Rest, Nap or Take a Break	Weave, Knit or Crochet				
	Go on a Hike, Walk or Run	Build Something				
	☐ Take Good Care of the Earth	Get a Hug				
	Drink Water	☐ Visualize a Peaceful Place				
	Play a Board Game	☐ Stretch				
	Do Something Kind	Make Art				
	Make and Play with Slime	Use Positive Affirmations				
	Discover Treasures in Nature	Take Slow, Mindful Breaths				
	Take a Shower or Bath	Clean, Declutter or Organize				
	Exercise S	Use Aromatherapy				
	Drink a Warm Cup of Tea	Cry (S)				
- 1	Forgive, Let Go, Move On	Try or Learn Something New				
	Practice Yoga	Listen to Music				
1	Garden or Do Yardwork	Use a Stress Ball or Other Fidget				
	Jump on a Trampoline	Get Plenty of Sleep				
	Cuddle or Play with Your Pet	Kick, Bounce or Throw a Ball				
	Practice Gratitude	Take or Look at Photographs				
	Do a Puzzle	Eat Healthy				
	Blow Bubbles	Play Outside				
	Smile and Laugh	Sing and/or Dance				

Coping Skills



Who can Help?

- Psychiatrist
- Psychiatric Nurse
- •School/Guidance Counselor
- School Psychologist



- Psychologist
- •Therapist
- Counselor
- Social Worker





Mental Health & Addictions Care

5240 NE Elam Young Parkway, #100 Hillsboro, OR 97124





Resources

Washington County Crisis Line

503-291-9111

Alcohol and Drug

503.244.1312

Alateen

800-344-2666

Gambling Treatment

1-877-695-4648

Suicide Prevention Lifeline (Local Lines for Life)

1-800-273-TALK

Youth Line

1-877-968-8491

Text teen2teen

at 839863

211 Information Line

503.222.5555

Thank you!

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