Saskatchewan Alliance for Youth & Community Well-being (SAYCW):

Recruiting Partnership



Saskatchewan Alliance for Youth & Community Well-being (SAYCW): Who We Are

- ► 18 partner organizations from health, education and community development sectors
- Steering committee co-chaired by the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency (SCA) and the League of Educational Administrators, Directors and Superintendents of Saskatchewan (LEADS)



What We Do

Learn



We survey youth in grades 7 to 12 about their health and well-being.

• Includes data relevant to your specific school

Connect



We connect with schools and communities to

- answer questions on survey results
- broker partnerships (local response for local need)
- translate knowledge

Act



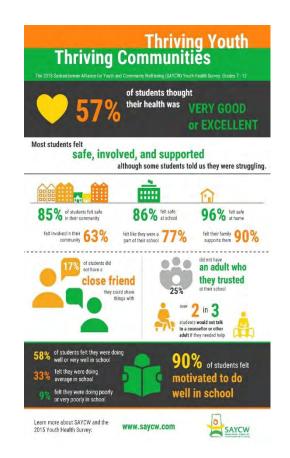
We support opportunities to move from knowledge to action through

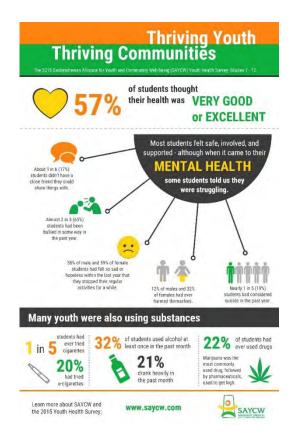
- toolkits based on survey topics (www.saycw.com)
- Community Action Planning Guide
- Healthy Schools and Communities Grant
- Youth Engagement Strategy



Youth Health Survey (cycle 1)

- 9,230 students from across the province completed the survey
- ▶ 116 schools and 18 School Divisions and authorities

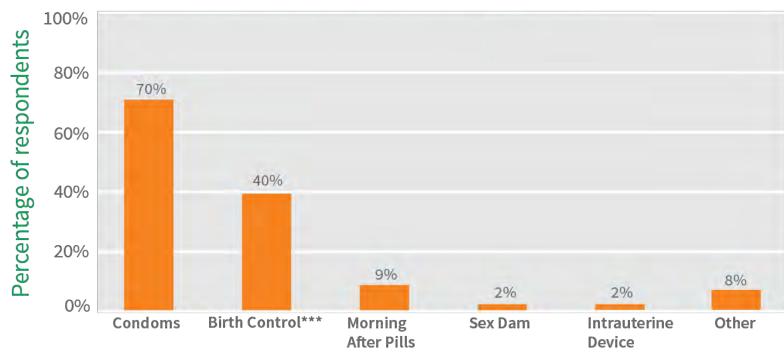






Detailed Information for Schools

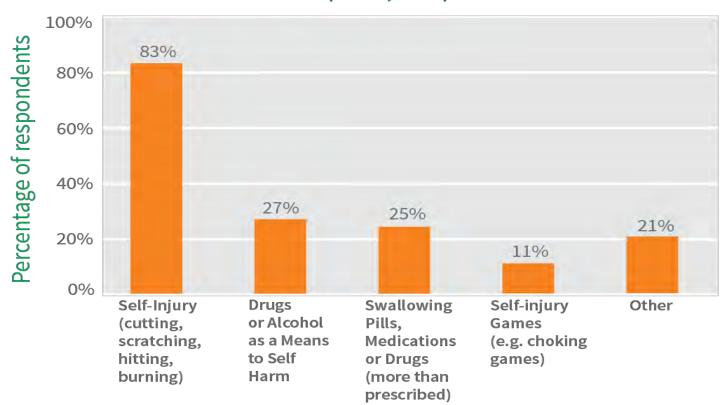
Figure 33: Types of protection methods used by sexually active students (N=1239)¹²





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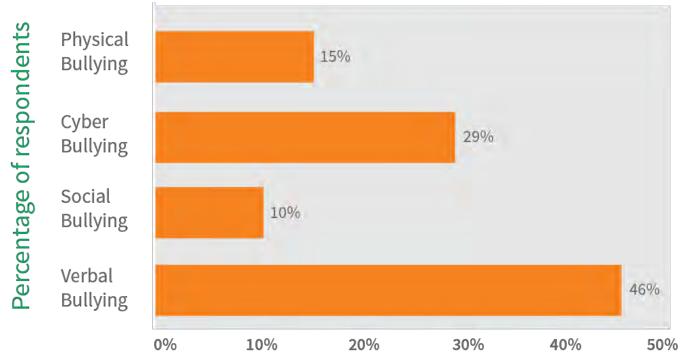
Figure 22: Types of self-harm used by those who had ever self-harmed (N=1,710)⁴





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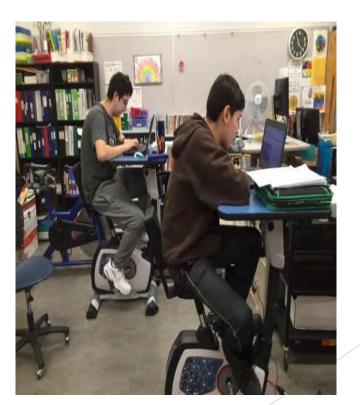
Figure 21: Bullying experiences in the past year (N=8,467)3





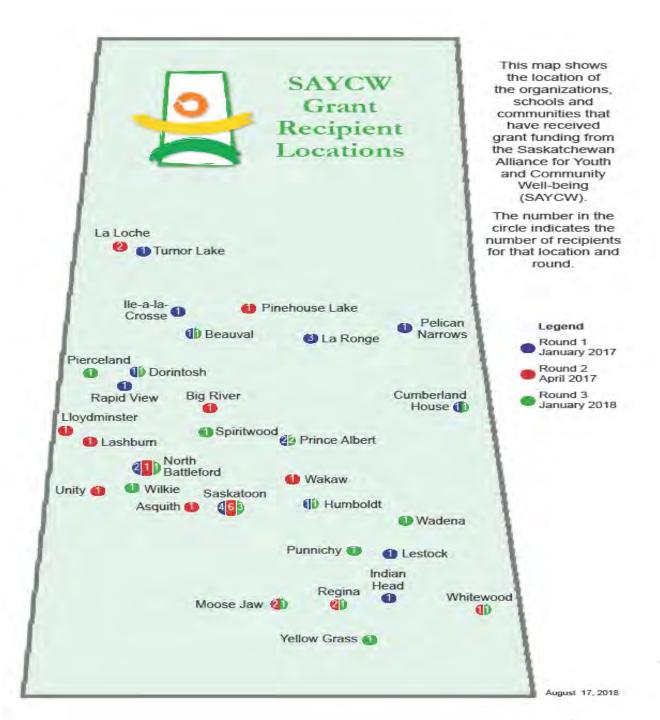
Healthy Schools and Communities Grant

- Three rounds
- ▶ 61 recipients
- **\$450,530**
- Round 1 preliminary evaluation:
 - School Engagement
 - Youth Leadership
 - Cultural Pride
 - Positive Health Impact











Winter 2019: Thriving Youth, Thriving Communities Survey (TYTCS)

- Survey tool improved
 - feedback implemented from SK content and field experts
- Data analysis and reporting
 - Descriptive report of the youth voice in SK with knowledge translation support
 - Additional analysis can be requested anytime
 - Schools can request and receive their data file
 - School divisions decide on questions

- The survey will be implemented by the Saskatchewan Educational Leadership Unit (SELU)
- No cost to schools to participate
- Locally-relevant data retained in province
- Adherence to
 - OCAP® principles
 - U of S Research Ethics Board; HIPA; LAFOIPA



Making Connections

Context:

Location Community Support Friends Family / Home **SES-Education** Food Security* Parent Support Siblings PA Support and Barriers School Support Adult Support-3 Bullying - verbal Bullying - physical Bullving - social Bullying - cyber

Bullying -

bystander

Person:

Age / Grade Ht/Wt/BMI Sex

Gender

Sexual Orientation

Race

Immigration

Food Skills

School Motivation

Cultural

Connection

Language

Indigenous Educ'n

Work / **Employment**

Healthy Behaviours:

Physical Activity - Type, MVPA Foot Intake **Eating Habits**

Sleep

Limited Screen Time

School Engagement

Unhealthy & Risky Behaviours:

Violence

Substance Use: Tobacco Substance Use: Alcohol

Substance Use: Drugs

Unintentional Injury & Self-Harm

Injury Prevention Risky Sexual Activity

Health & Well-

Being:

Perc. Health

Perc. Body

Oral Health

STIs

Pregnancy

Wellness

Control /

Problems

Anxiety

Esteem

Depression

LGBT+ Support

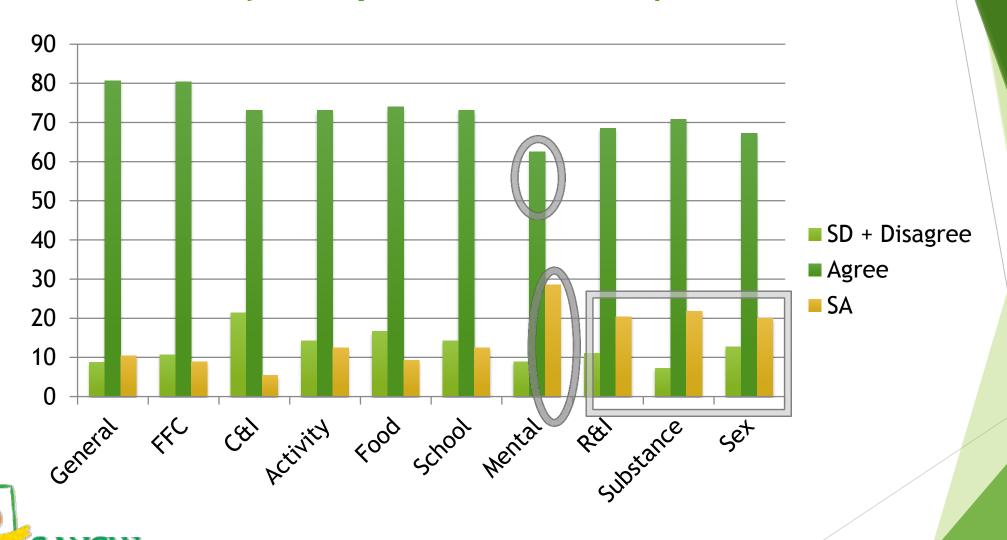
Food Security*

Pilot Study- Youth Feedback

- Great support for the survey according to the pilot so far
- Overall survey topics were important to youth and to teachers
 - Good length
 - Most students done in around 30 minutes
 - ► Teachers needed time to walk to lab and explain survey: whole process 50 minutes



Meta-Survey - Importance - Frequencies



Implementing TYTCS At Your Schools

- ► TYTCS: March 4 April 5, 2019
- Saskatchewan Educational Leadership Unit will implement
- Online
 - ► Paper survey available upon request
- Available French and English
- Will have a participation checklist for schools
 - Saskatchewan 211 cards for participating students
 - ▶ Posters for classrooms with hotlines available upon request
- Curriculum Connections



Why Should Your Students Complete the TYTCS

- Survey findings were never meant to be only used as a touchstone for information on youth health.
- Action oriented
- Survey only conducted once every three years to allow time for
 - Understanding results
 - Gathering resources and partners needed
 - ► Enacting your school's initiative
- Now officially recruiting partners!
- Received interest in partnering from 13 school divisions and authorities already
- Would your schools like to join this opportunity?

Questions about Thriving Youth, Thriving Communities Survey Winter 2019?

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