SC Communities-that-Care Survey Factsheet Alcohol Use, Access and Perception

This factsheet provides an overview of **alcohol-related** information as reported by the participants of the 2022 Communities-That-Care survey. Over **15,000** students were surveyed over the course of the 2021-2022 school year.

Risk Behavior

10.1% of students stated that drinking is a central part of school social life.

8.2% believe that **quite a lot or a great deal** of students at their school use alcohol at **school sporting events**.

7.7% believe that quite a lot or a great deal of students at their school use alcohol on school property.

In the past month, 10.8% of students have ridden with a drinking driver.

In the past month, 1.0% of students have drove after drinking.

Disapproval of Use

36.4% of students reported sentiment that alcohol use was only a little bit or not wrong at all

Students believed the following **percentage** would disapprove of alcohol use:

• Parents: 89.3% would disagree with use

• Peers: 68.8% would disagree with use

Alcohol Use and Access

28.5% of students have consumed alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or hard liquor) in their lifetime and 9.8% have consumed alcohol in the past 30 days.

In the past two weeks, 5.6% of students have binge drink (consumed 5 or more alcoholic drinks in a row within a short period).

In the past 30 days, 23.0% students usally consumed liquor and 14.5% consumed Beer.

7.2% of students have been drunk or high at school in the past year.

47.6% of students reported that it is easy to access alcohol.

Perception of Risk

76.8% of students believe that a person has **moderate or great risk** of harming themselves physically or in other ways if they **binge drink** (5 more drinks for males & 4 or more drinks for females on one occasion).



