

Communities that Care Survey

Tobacco Factsheet

This factsheet provides an overview of **tobacco use** as reported by the participants of the 2022 Communities that Care survey.

Percent of Students Lifetime and Current Tobacco Use

23.3% of students have smoked **e-cigarettes or vape pens** in their lifetime and **13.4%** are currently.

6.8% of students have smoked **cigarettes** in their lifetime and **1.3%** currently smoke cigarettes.

5.0% of student have used **smokeless tobacco** in their lifetime and **2.0%** currently use.

95.9% of students have **never** smoked a cigarette or was **13 or older** when they had their first one.



Perception of Risk

85.7% of students believe that a person has **moderate or great risk** of harming themselves physically or in other ways if they use cigarettes.

74.4% of students believe that a person has **moderate or great risk** of harming themselves physically or in other ways if they use e-cigarettes or vaping pens daily.

Access to Substance

39.9% of students stated that it is **easy** to access **cigarettes**.

52.7% of students stated that it is **easy** to access **e-cigarettes or vaping pens**.

18.7% of students obtain cigarettes and **26.5%** of students obtain e-cigarettes and vapes by **borrowing**

Disapproval of Use

94.3% of students think their **parents** would feel it's **wrong** for them to smoke cigarettes and **89.5%** also think their **parents** would feel it's **wrong** for them to smoke e-cigarettes or vaping pens.

78.5% of students think their **peers** would feel it's **wrong** for them to smoke cigarettes and **58.9%** also think their **peers** would feel it's **wrong** for them to smoke e-cigarettes or vaping pens.

80.6% of students think it's **wrong** for **someone their age** to smoke cigarettes and **65.9%** also think it's **wrong** for **someone their age** to smoke e-cigarettes or vaping pens.