

# Tobacco Use and Winnebago County High School Students

## What is the problem?

- 27.7% of students reported that they have **tried cigarette smoking**.
- 7.3% of students reported that they **smoked a whole cigarette for the first time before age 13 years**.
- 12.1% of students reported that they **smoked a cigarette during the past 30 days**.
- Among students who reported current cigarette use, **0.9% smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day** on the days they smoked.
- **4.1%** of students reported that they **smoked a cigarette on school property** during the past 30 days.
- **10.0%** of students reported that they **ever smoked cigarettes daily**, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days.
- **8.7%** of students reported that they have **tried to quit smoking cigarettes** at least once over the last 12 months.
- **4.8%** of students reported that they **used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip during the past 30 days**.
- **8.3%** of students reported that they **smoked a cigar, cigarillo, or little cigar during the past 30 days**.
- **21.0%** of students report **using an electronic vapor product** in the past 30 days.

## What are the solutions?

- K-12 skill-based health education
- Ban all tobacco use 24/7 at all school functions
- Evidence-based tobacco prevention programs
- Access to cessation programs
- Peer education programs and advocacy
- Trained staff
- Coordination of school and community-based efforts
- Regular assessment of tobacco control and prevention efforts

## What are some resources to help address the problem?

- Centers for Disease Control – Smoking and Tobacco Use  
<http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/index.htm>
- Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention <http://www.ctri.wisc.edu/>
- Tobacco Control Resources for Wisconsin <http://www.tobwis.org/>
- Wisconsin Tobacco Prevention and Control Program <http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/tobacco/>
- CDC - Division of Adolescent and School Health  
<http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/tobacco/index.htm>

### Wisconsin Resources

- DPI School Tobacco Prevention Program [http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw\\_tobaccoprogram](http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw_tobaccoprogram)
- Resources for School Tobacco Programs: A Selected List (2007 Edition)  
<http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/files/sspw/pdf/tobaccoprograms.pdf>
- School Tobacco Policy Resources [http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw\\_tsignage](http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw_tsignage)
- Wisconsin Success Stories – Tobacco Free Youth  
<http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/files/sspw/pdf/tobfreeyouth.pdf>
- Wisconsin Safe & Healthy Schools Center <http://www.wishschools.org>
- CESA6 Safe and Healthy Schools Network <http://www.cesa6.org>