

# Violence and Winnebago County High School Students

## What is the problem?

- **18.8%** of students reported being in a physical fight during the past 12 months before the survey.
- **7.7%** of students reported being in a physical fight **on school property** during the past 12 months before the survey.
- **16.4%** of students reported that someone tried to hurt them by hitting, punching, or kicking them while on school property during the past 12 months before the survey.
- **27.4%** of students reported that they have been bullied **on school property**.
- **19.8%** of students report having been electronically bullied in the past 12 months.
- **13.2%** of students reported rarely or never feeling safe from physical harm while at school.
- **36.7%** of students disagree or strongly disagree that violence is a problem at their school.
- **5.7%** of students reported that their boyfriend or girlfriend hit, slapped, or physically hurt them on purpose during the past 12 months before the survey.
- **10.6%** of students reported that have been forced, either verbally or physically, to take part in a sexual activity, with **4.9%** unsure.
- **21.9%** of students reported that they purposely hurt themselves without wanting to die, such as cutting or burning themselves during the 12 months before the survey.

## What are the solutions?

Safe and inclusive school environments ♦ Parent involvement  
Violence prevention programs (evidence-based)  
Student programs ♦ School connectedness  
Enforcement of school policies ♦ After school programs  
Violence prevention skill development for students  
Professional development opportunities ♦ Community building

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

- National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center <http://vetoviolence.cdc.gov/stryve/>
- Violence Prevention at the Center for Disease Control  
[www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/prevention\\_at\\_cdc.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/prevention_at_cdc.htm)
- Best Practices of Youth Violence Prevention [www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/bestpractices.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/bestpractices.htm)
- Center for the Study of Prevention of Violence [www.colorado.edu/cspv/](http://www.colorado.edu/cspv/)
- Prevention Institute [www.preventioninstitute.org/violenceprev.html](http://www.preventioninstitute.org/violenceprev.html)

### Wisconsin Resources

- Bullying Prevention Policy Guidelines <http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/files/sspw/pdf/bullyingguide.pdf>
- DPI Bullying Prevention Curriculum [http://pubsales.dpi.wi.gov/pbsa\\_pplsvc\\_2](http://pubsales.dpi.wi.gov/pbsa_pplsvc_2)
- Dating Violence Prevention <http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/files/sspw/pdf/datingviolenceprev.pdf>
- Resources for Safe Schools [http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw\\_safeschool\\_1](http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw_safeschool_1)
- Youth Violence Prevention [http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw\\_safeschool](http://sspw.dpi.wi.gov/sspw_safeschool)
- Wisconsin Safe & Healthy Schools Center <http://www.wishschools.org>
- CESA 6 Safe & Healthy Schools Network [www.cesa6.org](http://www.cesa6.org)