

# Violence and Winnebago County High School Students

## What is the problem?

- **27.8%** of students reported being in a physical fight during the past 12 months before the survey.
- **9.2%** of students reported being in a physical fight **on school property** during the past 12 months before the survey.
- **16.7%** 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.
- **30.3%** of students reported that they have been bullied **on school property**.
- **11.0%** of students reported rarely or never feeling safe from physical harm while at school.
- **27.3%** of students agrees or strongly agrees that violence is a problem at their school.
- **7.9%** of students reported that their boyfriend or girlfriend hit, slapped, or physically hurt them on purpose during the past 12 months before the survey.
- **11.1%** of students reported that have been forced, either verbally or physically, to take part in a sexual activity.
- **20.1%** 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://www.safeyouth.gov/Pages/Home.aspx>
- 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 [www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/pdf/bullyingguide.pdf](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/pdf/bullyingguide.pdf)
- DPI Bullying Prevention Curriculum [www.dpi.wi.gov/pubsales/pplsvc\\_2.html](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/pubsales/pplsvc_2.html)
- Dating Violence Prevention [www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/pdf/datingviolenceprevention.pdf](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/pdf/datingviolenceprevention.pdf)
- Resources for Safe Schools [www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/safeschool.html](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/safeschool.html)
- Youth Violence Prevention [www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/yvp.html](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sspw/yvp.html)
- CESA Safe & Healthy Schools Network [www.cesa6.org](http://www.cesa6.org)