

Weapons and Winnebago County High School Students

What is the problem?

- **11.8%** of students reported having carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club during the past 30 days before the survey.
- **3.5%** of students reported having carried a weapon **on school property** during the past 30 days before the survey.
- **5.4%** of students reported not going to school because you felt you would be unsafe at school or on your way to or from school during the past 30 days before the survey.
- During the past 12 months before the survey **6.8%** of students reported that someone threatened or injured them with a weapon **on school property**.

What are the solutions?

Safe and inclusive school environments ♦ Parent involvement
Violence prevention programs (evidence-based)
Student programs ♦ School connectedness
Strong 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://vetoviolenecdc.gov/stryve/>
- Violence Prevention at the Center for Disease Control
www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/prevention_at_cdc.htm
- Best Practices of Youth Violence Prevention
www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/bestpractices.htm
- Center for the Study of Prevention of Violence www.colorado.edu/cspv/
- Prevention Institute www.preventioninstitute.org/violenceprev.html

Wisconsin Resources

- Bullying Prevention Policy Guidelines <http://ssp.wi.gov/files/ssp/pdf/bullyingguide.pdf>
- DPI Bullying Prevention Curriculum <http://ssp.wi.gov/files/ssp/pdf/bullyingprogram.pdf>
- Dating Violence Prevention <http://ssp.wi.gov/files/ssp/pdf/datingviolenceprev.pdf>
- Resources for Safe Schools http://ssp.wi.gov/ssp_safeschool
- DPI Resources for Youth Violence Prevention http://ssp.wi.gov/ssp_safeschool
- Wisconsin Safe & Healthy Schools Center <http://www.wishschools.org>
- CESA 6 Safe and Healthy Schools Network <http://www.cesa6.org>