

DRUG SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

2005 Areas of Concern:

23% of KISD seniors reported driving 1 or more times while intoxicated
2007 – lowered to 10%

9% of 6th graders reported using inhalants during the past school year
2007 – lowered to 7%

6% of secondary students reported going to class at least once while intoxicated. Only
1% reported getting caught by teacher/staff
2007 – same percentage

6% of secondary students reported going to class high on marijuana
2007 – increased to 8%

26% of KISD students reported binge drinking at least once in their lifetime
2007 – no comparison data for lifetime
10% reported in past school year

Summary of 2007 Concerns:

******Overall, the general use of substances among KISD students in 2007 was lower than that reported by their counterparts statewide, except inhalant use among elementary students**

Elementary

9% of district elementary students get alcohol from home
13% of elementary students said they “don’t know” how their parents feel about kids their age drinking beer

17% of elementary students reported using alcohol at least once in lifetime
16% of 4th graders (same as statewide %)

10% 4th graders report past year alcohol use (higher than state average of 9%)

17% “don’t know” how parents feel about kids their age smoking marijuana (higher than state 15%)

73% believe that using marijuana is “very dangerous” (lower than state 77%)

1% of 4th and 5th graders reported lifetime marijuana use (same as state %)

Overall, inhalant use among elementary students somewhat similar (in some areas higher) to that reported by state peers

10% said close friends use inhalants (same state %)

7% been offered inhalants (same state %)

58% believe inhalant use “very dangerous” (lower than state 64%)

8% reported using inhalants at least one in lifetime

*****10% 4th graders report lifetime use (higher than state 9%)*****

8% 4th graders report past year inhalant use (higher than state 6%)

7% of 6th graders said they used inhalants past school year

Secondary

60% district secondary students reported cigarettes somewhat or very easy to get (higher than state 57%)

44% indicated smokeless tobacco somewhat or very easy to get (higher than state 38%)

10% 12 graders report daily cigarette use (higher than state 8%)

Alcohol most widely used substance among students statewide and KISD students

70% said alcohol somewhat or very easy to obtain (higher than state 67%)

46% (less than half) students feel that it is “very dangerous” to use alcohol (same state %)

6% reported attending a class “drunk” during past school year

56% reported using alcohol at least once during lifetime

23% report alcohol was used at most or all parties attended in past school year

40% students said marijuana was somewhat or very easy to obtain

22% said ecstasy very accessible (above state 21%)

17% said uppers very accessible (same as state %)

17% said downers very accessible (same as state %)

13% said heroin somewhat or very easy to obtain (same as state %)

60% believe marijuana use is very dangerous (lower than state 62%)

69% believe steroid use is very dangerous (lower than state 76%)

81% believe ecstasy use very dangerous (same as state %)

21% report experimental use of an illicit drug

37% of 12 graders report lifetime marijuana use

6% said they used hallucinogens (higher than state 5%)

5% report use of ecstasy (same as state %)

2% report use of steroids (same as state %)

7% report using a prescription cough syrup containing codeine at least once to get high

7% report use of OTC products DXM or Coricidin at least once to get high (higher than state 5%)

8% reported attending class “stoned” during the past school year

17% 12 graders reported driving under the influence of drugs (higher than state 16%)

14% said that marijuana and/or other drugs were used at most parties attended during school year

5% reported seeking help for problems with alcohol or drugs from someone other than family/friends past school year

Additional information:

School Counselor is the last person a student will go for help with a substance abuse problem – Friends are primary source

Grades 10 and 12 are significant intervention areas (grades 4-9, 11 focus on prevention)
(Specifically with inhalants, peak use in grades 4-8)