



# Arizona Youth Survey (AYS) Project



# The Arizona Youth Survey Project Was Designed With Arizona Schools In Mind

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The survey project involves the Arizona Youth Survey, which was designed to gather valuable school- and community-level data for substance abuse prevention planning, and grant writing.

We have tried to design a quick, easy survey process for all schools and teachers involved.

- Survey takes approximately 45 minutes to complete
  - Only passive parental consent is required
  - Student participation is completely voluntary
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# Examples of Survey Questions

- “On how many occasions (if any) have you used marijuana in the past 30 days?”
- “How many times in the past year have you taken a handgun to school?”
- “If I had a personal problem I could ask my mom or dad for help?”
- “During the past 12 months, how often have you been picked on or bullied by a student on school property?”
- “What are the chances you would be seen as cool if you regularly volunteered to do community service?”
- “How wrong do you think it is for someone your age to smoke cigarettes?”
- “How many times in the past year have you participated in clubs, organizations or activities at school?”

# Purpose and Benefits of AYS

- Provides data at the school, county, and state levels
- Provides data to help target and evaluate prevention services
- Collects data required for the district and the state of Arizona to receive federal funding
- Provides data that can be used to assess the performance of programs supported by federal and state funds
- Allows each school to receive a report outlining student levels of risk, protection, substance use, and delinquent behavior
- School, county, and state data can be used by schools and school districts in applying for funding as well as in meeting assessment requirements

# What You Will Need to Do:

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- Distribute passive parental consent forms
  - Help assure students that their answers are completely anonymous and that their participation in the survey is helpful to the prevention work that is being done in their community and in the state.
  - Administer the survey to students on the day of the survey.
  - Fill out the information on the survey envelope and deliver the envelopes to the office.
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