2009 Delaware Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Middle School Questionnaire

This survey is about health behavior. It has been developed so you can tell us what you do that may affect your health. The information you give will be used to develop better health education for young people like yourself.

DO NOT write your name on this survey. The answers you give will be kept private. No one will know what you write. Answer the questions based on what you really do.

Completing the survey is voluntary. Whether or not you answer the questions will not affect your grade in this class. If you are not comfortable answering a question, just leave it blank.

The questions that ask about your background will be used only to describe the types of students completing this survey. The information will not be used to find out your name. No names will ever be reported.

Make sure to read every question. Fill in the ovals completely. When you are finished, follow the instructions of the person giving you the survey.

Thank you very much for your help.
1. What is your zip code?
   Please fill in the boxes at the top, then fill in the circles in each column.

   2. How old are you?
      A  10 years old or younger
      B  11 years old
      C  12 years old
      D  13 years old
      E  14 years old
      F  15 years old
      G  16 years old or older

   3. What is your sex?
      A  Female
      B  Male

   4. In what grade are you?
      A  6th grade
      B  7th grade
      C  8th grade
      D  Other

   5. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
      A  Yes
      B  No

   6. What is your race? (Select one or more responses.)
      A  American Indian or Alaska Native
      B  Asian
      C  Black or African American
      D  Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
      E  White

   7. How old is your mother? If you don't know, please put your best guess.

   8. How old is your father? If you don't know, please put your best guess.

   9. How tall are you without your shoes on?
      Directions: Write your height in the shaded blank boxes. Fill in the matching oval below each number.

   10. How much do you weigh without your shoes on?
       Directions: Write your weight in the shaded blank boxes. Fill in the matching oval below each number.
The next 7 questions ask about your feelings in the past four weeks.

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The next 6 questions ask about things you may have been thinking about in the past 4 weeks.

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The next 4 questions ask how you feel about yourself in general.

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<td>31. How often did your parents spend time with you doing something fun?</td>
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<td>32. How often did you talk to your parents about what you were going to do the next day?</td>
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<td>34. Have your parents treated you fairly?</td>
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<td>35. How often did your parents help you with your school work?</td>
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When you have had a problem in the past four weeks, how often would the following things happen?

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<td>37. When I would try to sleep, I would not be able to stop thinking about the problem.</td>
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<td>38. Thoughts about the problems would just pop into my head.</td>
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<td>39. My mind would go blank; I wouldn't be able to think at all.</td>
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<td>40. It would be really hard for me to concentrate or pay attention in class when I have problems.</td>
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<td>41. When things would get bad in school, I would get so upset that I can't remember what happened or what I did.</td>
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The next 4 questions ask about safety.

42. **When you ride a bicycle**, how often do you wear a helmet?

   - A I do not ride a bicycle
   - B Never wear a helmet
   - C Rarely wear a helmet
   - D Sometimes wear a helmet
   - E Most of the time wear a helmet
   - F Always wear a helmet

43. **When you rollerblade or ride a skateboard**, how often do you wear a helmet?

   - A I do not roller blade or ride a skateboard
   - B Never wear a helmet
   - C Rarely wear a helmet
   - D Sometimes wear a helmet
   - E Most of the time wear a helmet
   - F Always wear a helmet

44. How often do you wear a seat belt when **riding in** a car?

   - A Never
   - B Rarely
   - C Sometimes
   - D Most of the time
   - E Always

45. Have you ever ridden in a car driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol?

   - A Yes
   - B No
   - C Not sure

The next 4 questions ask about intentionally hurting yourself and attempted suicide. Sometimes people feel so sad and depressed that they may consider attempting suicide or killing themselves.

47. Have you ever been in a physical fight in which you were hurt bad and had to be treated by a doctor or a nurse?

   - A Yes
   - B No

48. Have you ever been in a physical fight?

   - A Yes
   - B No

The next 3 questions ask about violence-related behaviors.

46. Have you ever carried a **weapon**, such as a gun, knife or club?

   - A Yes
   - B No

49. During the past 12 months, did you do something to purposely hurt yourself without wanting to die, such as cutting, scraping, or burning yourself on purpose?

   - A Yes
   - B No

50. Have you ever seriously thought about killing yourself?

   - A Yes
   - B No

51. Have you ever made a plan about how you would kill yourself?

   - A Yes
   - B No

52. Have you ever tried to seriously hurt yourself or kill yourself?

   - A No, never
   - B Yes, more than a year ago
   - C Yes, in the past year
   - D Yes, in the past 4 weeks
   - E Yes, in the past 7 days
The next 8 questions ask you about tobacco use.

53. Have you ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?
   - Yes
   - No

54. How old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?
   - I have never smoked a whole cigarette
   - 8 years old or younger
   - 9 years old
   - 10 years old
   - 11 years old
   - 12 years old
   - 13 years old or older

55. During the past 30 days, how many days did you smoke cigarettes?
   - 0 days
   - 1 or 2 days
   - 3 to 5 days
   - 6 to 9 days
   - 10 to 19 days
   - 20 to 29 days
   - All 30 days

56. During the past 30 days, on the days you smoked, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?
   - I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
   - Less than 1 cigarette per day
   - 1 cigarette per day
   - 2 to 5 cigarettes per day
   - 6 to 10 cigarettes per day
   - 11 to 20 cigarettes per day
   - More than 20 cigarettes per day

57. During the past 30 days, how did you usually get your own cigarettes? (Select only one response.)
   - I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
   - I bought them in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, discount store, or gas station
   - I bought them from a vending machine
   - I gave someone else money to buy them for me
   - I borrowed (or bummed) them from someone else
   - A person 18 years old or older gave them to me
   - I took them from a store or family member
   - I got them some other way

58. Have you ever smoked cigarettes daily, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days?
   - Yes
   - No

59. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?
   - 0 days
   - 1 or 2 days
   - 3 to 5 days
   - 6 to 9 days
   - 10 to 19 days
   - 20 to 29 days
   - All 30 days

60. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars?
   - 0 days
   - 1 or 2 days
   - 3 to 5 days
   - 6 to 9 days
   - 10 to 19 days
   - 20 to 29 days
   - All 30 days
The next 2 questions ask about drinking alcohol. This includes drinking beer, wine, wine coolers, and liquor such as rum, gin, vodka, or whiskey. For these questions, drinking alcohol does not include drinking a few sips of wine for religious purposes.

61. Have you ever had a drink of alcohol, other than a few sips?
A Yes
B No

62. How old were you when you had your first drink of alcohol other than a few sips?
A I have never had a drink of alcohol other than a few sips
B 8 years old or younger
C 9 years old
D 10 years old
E 11 years old
F 12 years old
G 13 years old or older

The next 3 questions ask about other drugs.

65. Have you ever used any form of cocaine, including powder, crack, or freebase?
A Yes
B No

66. Have you ever sniffed glue, or breathed the contents of spray cans, or inhaled any paints or sprays to get high?
A Yes
B No

67. Have you ever used steroid pills or shots without a doctors prescription?
A Yes
B No

The next two questions ask you about dating relationships.

68. During the past 12 months, did your boyfriend or girlfriend ever hit, slap, or physically hurt you on purpose?
A Yes
B No

69. During the past 12 months has your boyfriend or girlfriend ever said things to you or to other people about you to purposely hurt you?
A Yes
B No

The next 2 questions ask about marijuana use. Marijuana also is called grass or pot.

63. Have you ever used marijuana?
A Yes
B No

64. How old were you when you tried marijuana for the first time?
A I have never tried marijuana
B 8 years old or younger
C 9 years old
D 10 years old
E 11 years old
F 12 years old
G 13 years old or older
The next 4 questions ask about sexual behavior.

70. Have you ever had sexual intercourse?
   A Yes
   B No

71. How old were you when you had sexual intercourse for the first time?
   A I have never had sexual intercourse
   B 8 years old or younger
   C 9 years old
   D 10 years old
   E 11 years old
   F 12 years old
   G 13 years old or older

72. With how many people have you had sexual intercourse?
   A I have never had sexual intercourse
   B 1 person
   C 2 people
   D 3 people
   E 4 people
   F 5 people
   G 6 or more people

73. The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner use a condom?
   A I have never had sexual intercourse
   B Yes
   C No

The next 7 questions ask about body weight.

74. How do you describe your weight?
   A Very underweight
   B Slightly underweight
   C About the right weight
   D Slightly overweight
   E Very overweight

75. Which of the following are you trying to do about your weight?
   A Lose weight
   B Gain weight
   C Stay the same weight
   D I am not trying to do anything about my weight

76 Have you ever exercised to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?
   A Yes
   B No

77. Have you ever eaten less food, fewer calories, or foods low in fat to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?
   A Yes
   B No

78. Have you ever gone without eating for 24 hours or more (also called fasting) to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?
   A Yes
   B No

79. Have you ever taken any diet pills, powders, or liquids without a doctor’s advice to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight? (Do not include meal replacement products such as Slim Fast.)
   A Yes
   B No

80. Have you ever vomited or taken laxatives to lose weight or to keep from gaining weight?
   A Yes
   B No
The next 5 questions ask about physical activity.

81. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day? (Add up all the time you spend in any kind of physical activity that makes you breathe hard some of the time).
   A 0 days
   B 1 day
   C 2 days
   D 3 days
   E 4 days
   F 5 days
   G 6 days
   H 7 days

82. On an average school day, how many hours do you watch TV?
   A I do not watch TV on an average school day
   B Less than 1 hour per day
   C 1 hour per day
   D 2 hours per day
   E 3 hours per day
   F 4 hours per day
   G 5 or more hours per day

83. On an average school day, how many hours do you play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work? (Include activities such as Nintendo, Game Boy, Play Station, Xbox, computer games, and the Internet).
   A I do not play video or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work
   B Less than 1 hour per day
   C 1 hour per day
   D 2 hours per day
   E 3 hours per day
   F 4 hours per day
   G 5 or more hours per day

84. In an average week when you are in school, on how many days do you go to physical education (PE) classes?
   A 0 days
   B 1 day
   C 2 days
   D 3 days
   E 4 days
   F 5 days

85. During the past 12 months, on how many sports teams did you play? (Include any teams run by your school or community groups.)
   A 0 teams
   B 1 team
   C 2 teams
   D 3 or more teams
The next 6 questions ask about health-related topics.

86. How many times in an average week do you eat breakfast?
   A) 0 times
   B) 1 time
   C) 2 times
   D) 3 times
   E) 4 times
   F) 5 times
   G) 6 times
   H) 7 times

87. What time do you usually go to bed on a school night?
   A) 8:00 pm or before
   B) 8:30 pm
   C) 9:00 pm
   D) 9:30 pm
   E) 10:00 pm
   F) 10:30 pm
   G) 11:00 pm
   H) 11:30 pm
   I) 12:00 am
   J) 12:30 am
   K) 1:00 am
   L) 2:00 am or after

88. What time do you usually get up on a school morning?
   A) 5:00 am or before
   B) 5:30 am
   C) 6:00 am
   D) 6:30 am
   E) 7:00 am
   F) 7:30 am
   G) 8:00 am or after

89. Have you ever been taught about AIDS or HIV infection in school?
   A) Yes
   B) No
   C) Not sure

90. Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?
   A) Yes
   B) No
   C) Not sure

91. Do you still have asthma?
   A) I have never had asthma
   B) Yes
   C) No
   D) Not sure

The next 2 questions ask about whether you have any kind of disability.

92. Have you ever been diagnosed by a doctor or other medical professional as having a physical disability which limits the kinds of things you can do?
   A) Yes
   B) No
   C) Not Sure

93. Have you ever been diagnosed by a doctor or other medical professional as having a learning disability?
   A) Yes
   B) No
   C) Not Sure
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