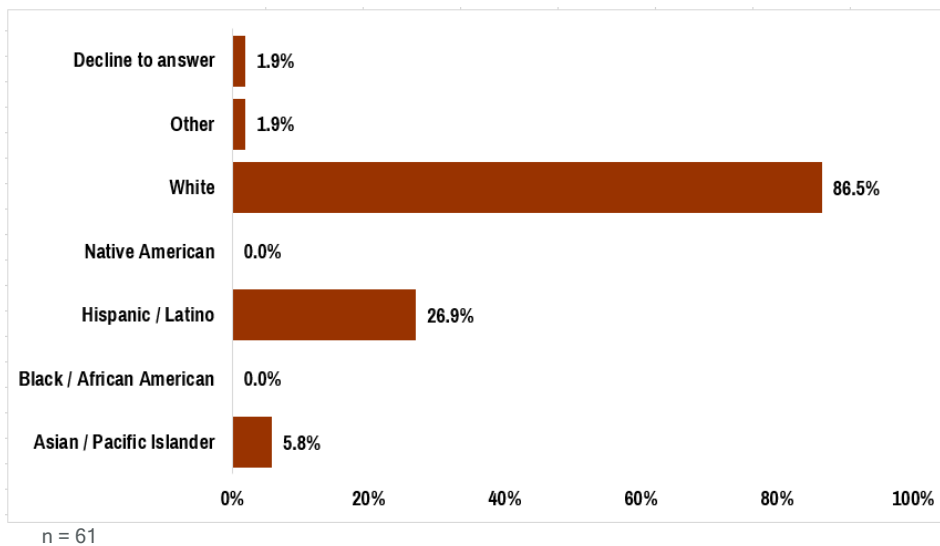


Hood River County Prevention Department 2019 HRVHS Parent Survey

In August and September 2019, the Hood River County Prevention Department surveyed parents of middle and high school students. The purpose of the survey was to ask parents what they think about youth substance use. Many of the survey questions were based on surveys given to middle and high school students (the Oregon Healthy Teens Survey and the Oregon Student Wellness Survey). Tablets or paper surveys were completed. Parents could take the survey in either English or Spanish. The survey was completed by 61 parents, 55 in English and 6 in Spanish. This report shows the results from the survey.

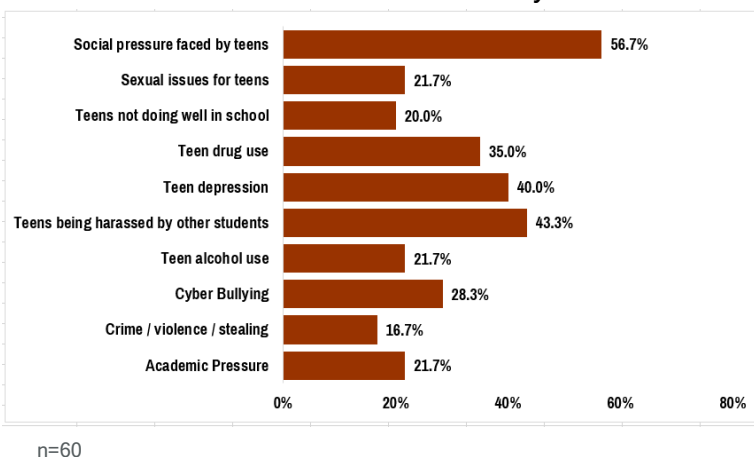
How do you identify?

This is the ethnicity breakdown for all Hood River County parents who took the Parent Survey.



Parent Attitudes Toward Teen Substance Use

For all Hood River County students in grades 9 through 12, what are the three issues that concern you the most?



Teen Drug and Alcohol Use Among Parent Concerns

Teen drug use is the **#4 concern** among parents who responded.

Teen alcohol use is the **#6 concern** among parents who responded.

Parent Involvement in the Prevention of Teen Substance Use

Parents believe that they have an influence on their child’s decision to use or not to use drugs. Most parents agree that using substances in front of children has negative consequences. Many parents think that the school should play a role in preventing the use of drugs and alcohol among teens, but fewer feel that their children are getting the education they need to make healthy decisions.

93% of parents who responded agree that they have an influence on their teen’s decision to use or not to use alcohol, marijuana and / or nicotine.

n=59

91% of parents who responded agree that using alcohol, marijuana, and / or nicotine in front of their teen has negative consequences.

n=60

90% of parents who responded believe that the school should play a role in alcohol and drug prevention through school policy.

n=60

46% of parents who responded think their teen is getting enough education and information about how to prevent drinking and using drugs.

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11th graders generally feel that parental perception of substance use by high school students is lower than what parents surveyed reported.

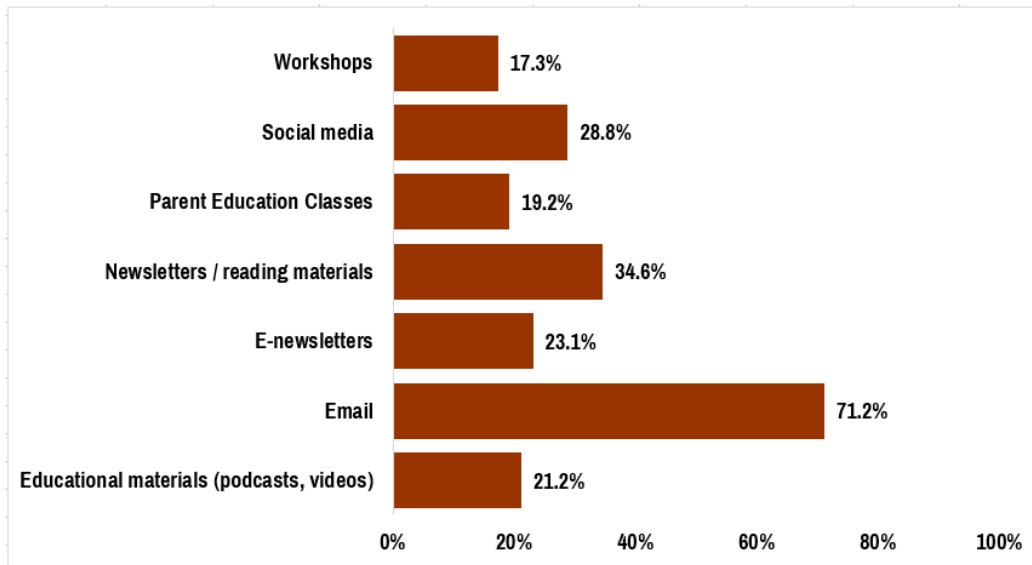
Students in 11 th grade		Parents of high school students	
Think their parents feel it would be wrong or very wrong for them to:	%	%	Feel it would be wrong or very for their child to:
Drink beer, wine, or liquor regularly	92.9	100.0	Drink beer, wine, or hard liquor daily
Smoke cigarettes	97.1	98.4	Smoke cigarettes
Use marijuana	88.8	100.0	Smoke/consume marijuana

Source: 2018 Oregon Student Wellness Survey, Hood River County SD; Hood River County Prevention Department 2019 Hood River Valley High School Parent Survey n=61 for alcohol, 60 for cigarettes, and 61 for marijuana

Educating Parents About Teen Substance Use

Many parents do not know who to contact at the school if they have questions about drugs or alcohol, and most say they would like to have more information about issues related to teen drug and alcohol use.

How would you like to receive information on preventing drinking and using drugs?

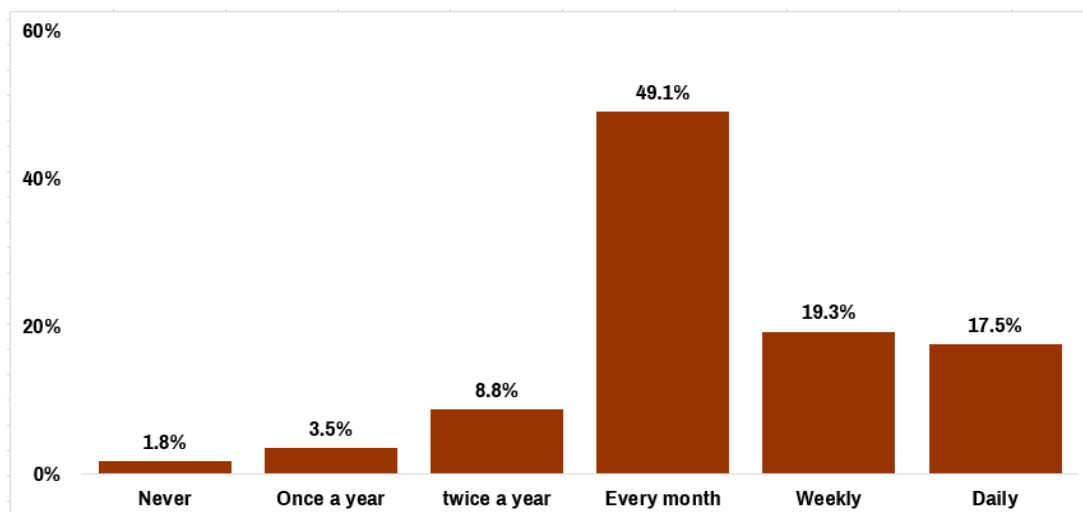


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Talking About Substance Use

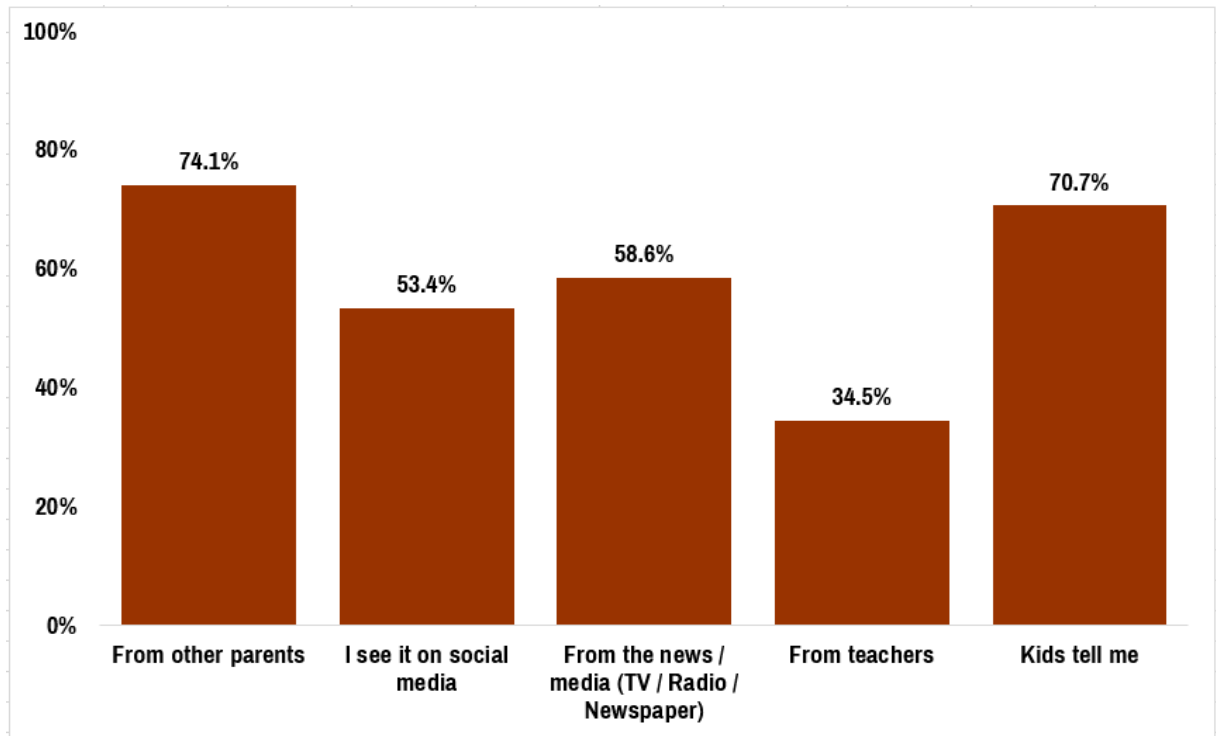
The majority of parents who responded tend to talk to their child about substance use at least once a month. Parents get information about teen use of drugs and alcohol from other parents or from kids telling them.

How often do you talk to your child about NOT using alcohol, marijuana, inhalants, prescription drugs, over the counter drugs, or cocaine?



n=57

Where do you get your information about teen use of drugs and alcohol?



n=58

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