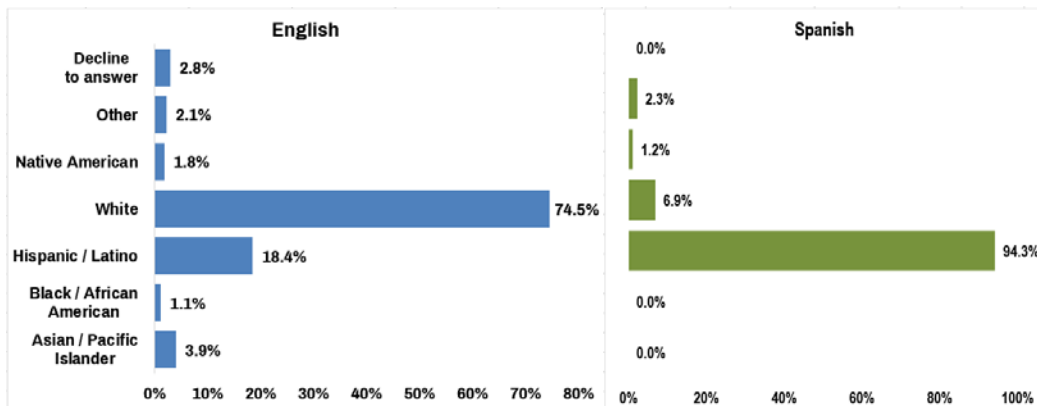


# Hood River County Prevention Department 2018 Elementary School Parent Survey

In August and September 2018, the Hood River County Prevention Department surveyed parents of students at Cascade Locks, May Street, Mid Valley, Parkdale and Westside Elementary Schools. 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 during elementary school registration. Parents could take the survey in either English or Spanish. The survey was completed by 375 parents, 283 in English and 92 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.



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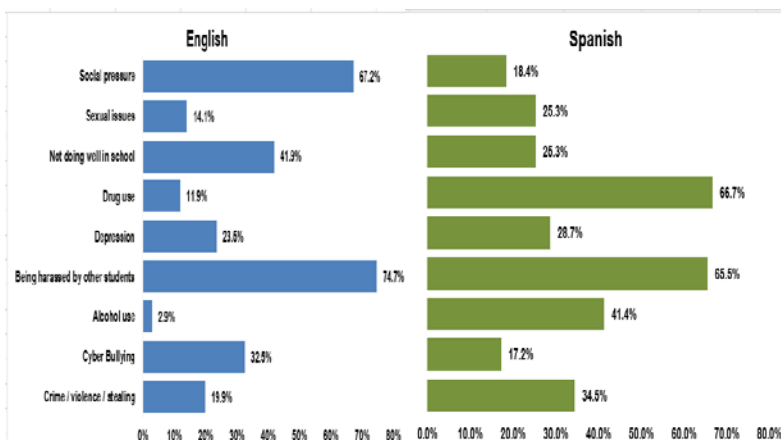
## Parent Attitudes Toward Substance Use

For all Hood River County students in grades K through 5, what are the three issues that concern you the most?

### Youth Drug and Alcohol Use Among Parent Concerns

Youth Drug use is the **#1 concern** among parents who responded in Spanish and the **#8 concern** among parents who responded in English.

Youth Alcohol use is the **#3 concern** among parents who responded in Spanish and the **#9 concern** among parents who responded in English.



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## Parent Involvement in the Prevention of Youth Substance Use

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Compared to parents who responded in English, parents who responded in Spanish are far less likely to 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. Most parents think that the school should play a role in alcohol and drug prevention, but fewer feel that their children are getting the education they need to make healthy decisions.

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**95%**

of parents who responded in English and

**14%**

of parents who responded in Spanish agree that they have an influence on their child's decision to use or not to use alcohol, marijuana and / or nicotine.

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**91%**

of parents who responded in English and

**72%**

of parents responded in Spanish agree that using alcohol, marijuana, and / or nicotine in front of children has negative consequences.

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**96%**

of parents who responded in English and

**77%**

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

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**39%**

of parents who responded in English and

**50%**

of parents who responded in Spanish think their children are getting enough education and information about how to prevent drinking and using drugs.

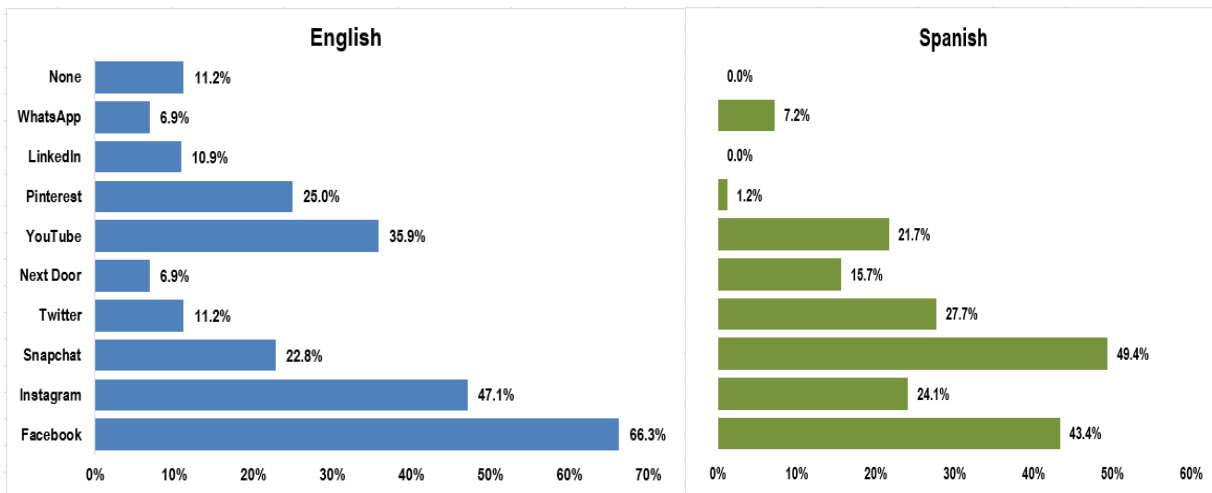
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## Educating Parents about Teen Substance Use

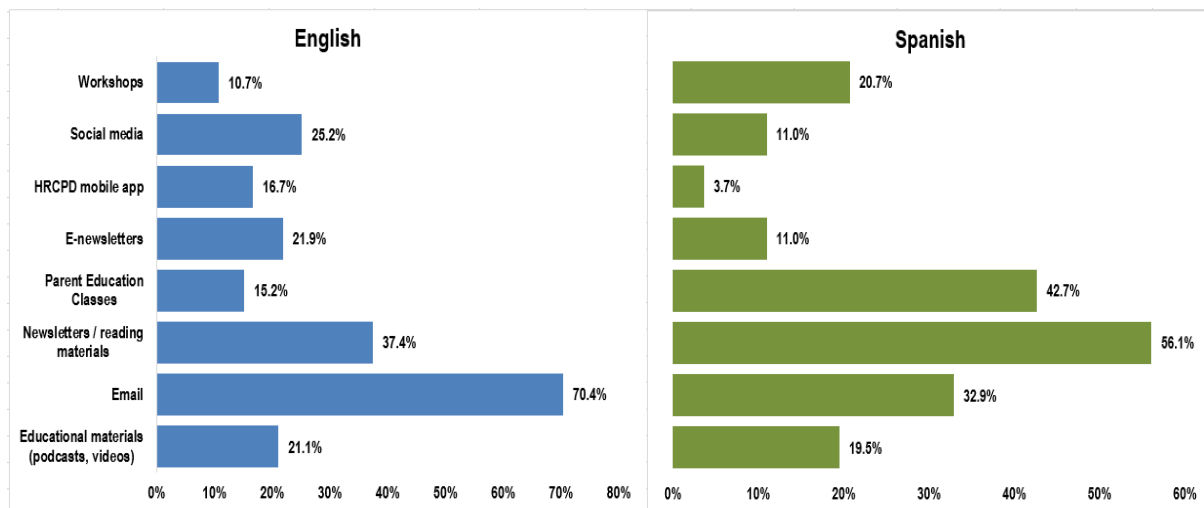
Both English and Spanish speaking parents say they would like to have more information about teaching practices, student achievement, and events and celebrations. English speaking parents are most interested in hearing from teachers and school staff, the School Board, and students. Spanish speaking parents are most interested in hearing from other parents, the Superintendent and district leadership, and school principals.

Which social media networks do you use regularly? (Select all that apply)



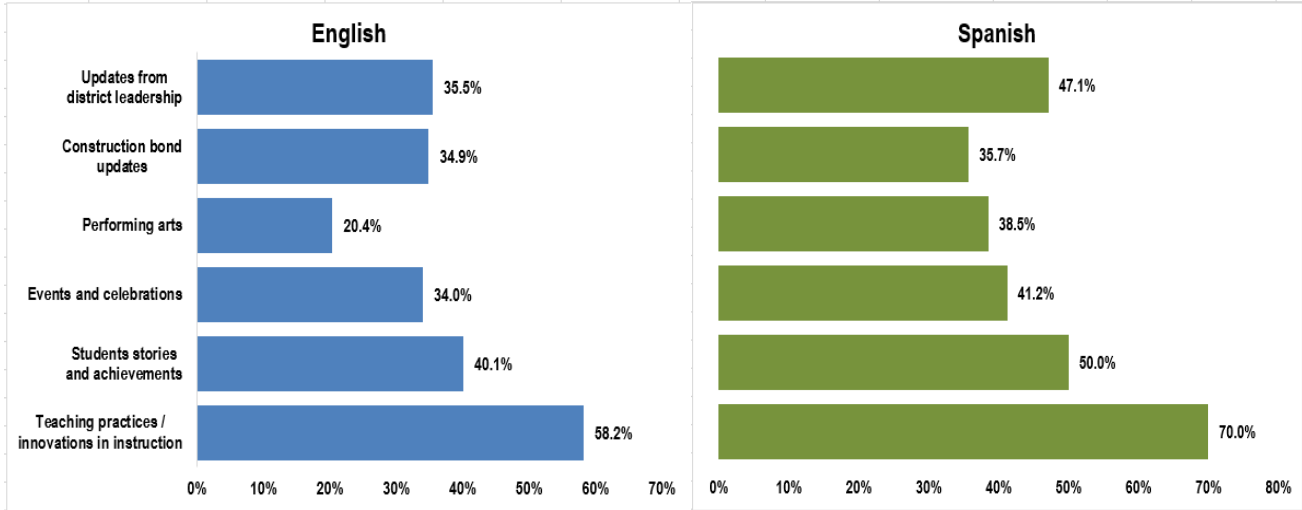
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How would you like to receive information? (Select all that apply)



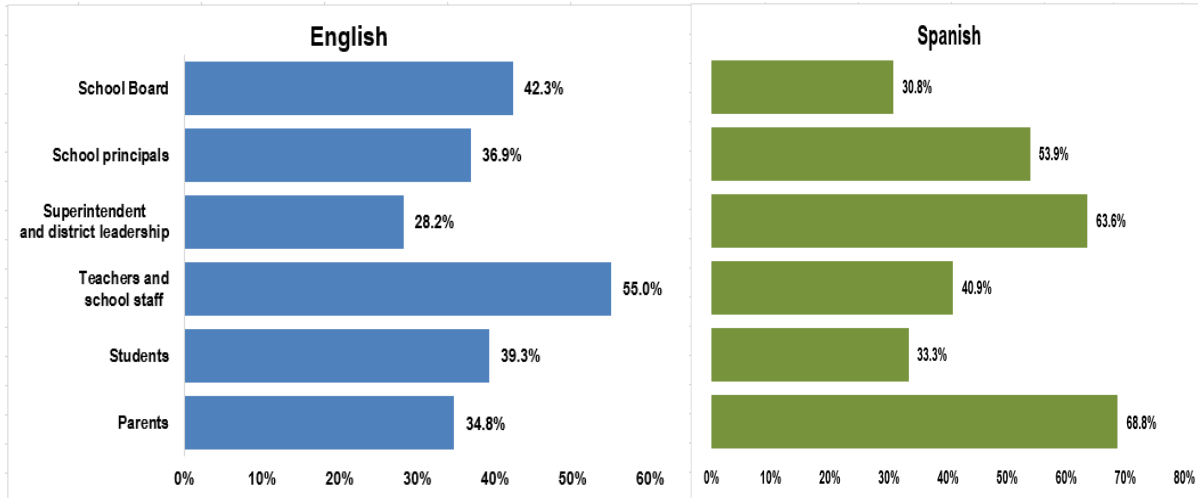
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## What kind of school news do you care most about? (Top three choices)



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## Who are you most interested in hearing from? (Top three choices)



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