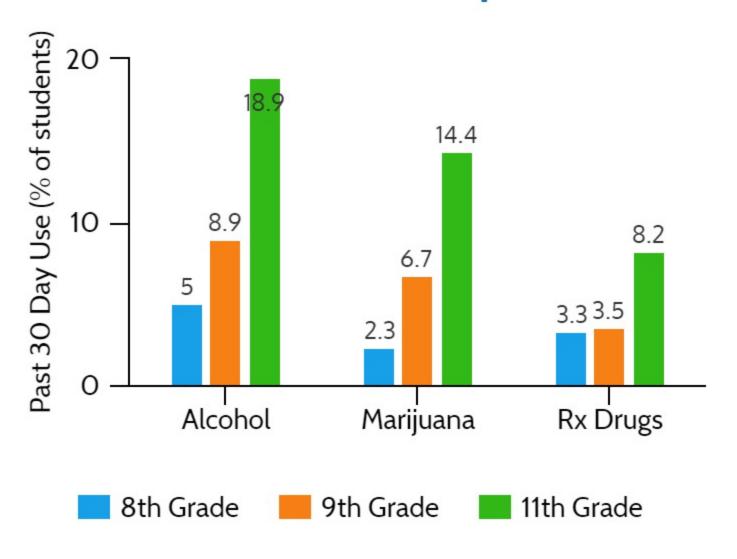


What is Lakeville Area PATH?

The Lakeville Area PATH (Proactive Approaches to Health) Coalition formed in the fall of 2014. Through education and advocacy, the coalition challenges Lakeville and the surrounding community to prevent youth chemical use and to improve mental health. The coalition is comprised of individuals and organizations working together to advance prevention efforts.

Students in Lakeville report:



Where do youth say they access alcohol?

- From home
- Friends and at parties





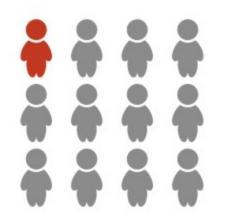


Lakeville students who believe smoking marijuana is harmful were over 13x less likely to use.





1 in 12 Lakeville 11th graders report past 30 day prescription drug misuse, which is higher than the MN state average.



Source: 2013 MN Student Survey

Prevention matters because.



The younger a person is at first drink of alcohol, the more likely he or she is to become an alcoholic

Source: Journal of Substance Abuse, 1997



Regular heavy marijuana use by teens can lead to an IQ drop of up to 8 points

Source: National Institute of Health



Possession of someone else's prescription medication is a felony charge in Minnesota

Source: Minnesota Statute, Chapter 152

Good news! Caring adults matter too.

Youth who feel cared about by their parents, teachers, or other adults in their community were at least 2.5x LESS LIKELY TO USE:

